

SCHEDULE 4

Regulation 6

SPONSORSHIP

Interpretation

1. In this Schedule—

“confirmation of acceptance for studies” means an authorisation issued by the Secretary of State to a sponsor and issued to a person by that sponsor, in respect of an application, or potential application, for entry clearance, leave to enter or leave to remain in the United Kingdom as a student;

“premium services for sponsors” means the optional premium customer services offered by the Home Office to certain sponsors;

“small or charitable sponsor” means a sponsor that is—

- (a) a company that is subject to the small companies regime under section 381 of the Companies Act 2006⁽¹⁾;
- (b) in the case of a person who is not a company for the purposes of that section, a person who employs no more than 50 employees; or
- (c) a charity within the meaning of section 1 of the Charities Act 2011⁽²⁾, or section 1 of the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008⁽³⁾, or a body entered in the Scottish Charity Register⁽⁴⁾;

“sponsorship management request” means an electronic request made by a sponsor in connection with their sponsor licence, through their sponsorship management system account;

“Tier” means the route, provided for in Part 6A of the immigration rules, by which a person seeking entry clearance, leave to enter or leave to remain in the United Kingdom as a Tier 2 Migrant, a Tier 4 Migrant or a Tier 5 Migrant applies for such entry clearance, leave to enter or leave to remain;

“Tier 4 Sponsor basic compliance assessment” means the check which a sponsor with Probationary Sponsor status must apply for in order to become registered as having full Tier 4 Sponsor status, or for which sponsors already registered with full Tier 4 Sponsor status must apply in order to maintain that registration⁽⁵⁾.

Fees in connection with sponsorship

2.—(1) Table 14 specifies the amount of the fees for the specified applications for sponsor licences, for the issuing of certificates of sponsorship and confirmations of acceptance for studies, and for premium services for sponsors.

(2) Table 15 specifies the amount of fees for other specified applications and processes in connection with sponsorship.

(1) 2006 c. 46; section 381 was amended by S.I. 2008/393.

(2) 2011 c. 25.

(3) 2008 c. 12.

(4) The Scottish Charity Register was set up pursuant to section 3 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 (2005 asp 10).

(5) More information on the Tier 4 Sponsor basic compliance assessment policy can be found at www.gov.uk/government/publications/sponsor-a-tier-4-student-guidance-for-educators.

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally made).

Table 14 (Fees in relation to sponsor licences, premium services for sponsors, certificates of sponsorship and confirmations of acceptance for studies)

| <i>Number of fee</i> | <i>Type of application, service, or process</i> | <i>Amount of fee</i> |
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| 14.1 | Fees for applications for sponsor licences where the applicant is not a small or charitable sponsor | |
| 14.1.1 | Application for sponsor licence in respect of Tier 2 Migrants where the applicant is not a small or charitable sponsor. | £1,476 |
| 14.1.2 | Application for sponsor licence in respect of Tier 4 Migrants where the applicant is not a small or charitable sponsor. | £536 |
| 14.1.3 | Application for sponsor licence in respect of Tier 5 Migrants where the applicant is not a small or charitable sponsor. | £536 |
| 14.1.4 | Application for sponsor licence in respect of Tier 2 and Tier 4 Migrants where the applicant is not a small or charitable sponsor. | £1,476 |
| 14.1.5 | Application for sponsor licence in respect of Tier 2 and Tier 5 Migrants where the applicant is not a small or charitable sponsor. | £1,476 |
| 14.1.6 | Application for sponsor licence in respect of Tier 2, Tier 4 and Tier 5 Migrants where the applicant is not a small or charitable sponsor. | £1,476 |
| 14.2 | Fees for applications for sponsor licences where the applicant is a small or charitable sponsor | |
| 14.2.1 | Application for sponsor licence in respect of Tier 2 Migrants where the applicant is a small or charitable sponsor. | £536 |
| 14.2.2 | Application for sponsor licence in respect of Tier 4 Migrants where the applicant is a small or charitable sponsor. | £536 |
| 14.2.3 | Application for sponsor licence in respect of Tier 5 Migrants where the applicant is a small or charitable sponsor. | £536 |
| 14.3 | Fees for premium services for sponsors | |
| 14.3.1 | The provision of premium services for sponsors in respect of Tier 2 and Tier 5 to a sponsor that is not a small or charitable sponsor for a period of 3 months. | £6,250 |
| 14.3.2 | The provision of premium services for sponsors in respect of Tier 2 and Tier 5 to a small or charitable sponsor for a period of 3 months. | £2,000 |
| 14.3.3 | The provision of premium services for sponsors in respect of Tier 2 and Tier 5 to a sponsor that is not a small or charitable sponsor for a period of 12 months. | £25,000 |
| 14.3.4 | The provision of premium services for sponsors in respect of Tier 2 and Tier 5 to a small or charitable sponsor for a period of 12 months. | £8,000 |
| 14.3.5 | The provision of premium services for sponsors in respect of Tier 4 to a sponsor for a period of 12 months. | £8,000 |
| 14.3.6 | The expedited processing of a sponsorship management request made by a Tier 2 or Tier 5 sponsor, where the sponsor does not hold a valid premium service package for which one of fees 14.3.1 to 14.3.4 has been paid. | £200 |

| <i>Number of fee</i> | <i>Type of application, service, or process</i> | <i>Amount of fee</i> |
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| 14.4 | Fees for the process of issuing certificates of sponsorship and confirmations of acceptance for studies | |
| 14.4.1 | The issuing of a certificate of sponsorship in respect of an application or potential application for leave to enter or leave to remain in the United Kingdom as a Tier 2 Migrant where the application is not made in respect of a CESC national (in which case no fee is payable). | £199 |
| 14.4.2 | The issuing of a confirmation of acceptance for studies in respect of an application or potential application for leave to enter or leave to remain in the United Kingdom as a Tier 4 Migrant. | £21 |
| 14.4.3 | The issuing of a certificate of sponsorship in respect of an application or potential application for leave to enter or leave to remain in the United Kingdom as a Tier 5 (Temporary Worker) Migrant where the application is not made in respect of a CESC national (in which case no fee is payable). | £21 |

Fees for other applications in connection with sponsorship

3.—(1) Where a person holding an existing valid sponsor licence applies to add an additional Tier or additional Tiers to that licence, the fee payable is the sum equivalent to the difference (if any) between the fee already paid for the licence, and the highest fee chargeable in respect of a licence for any of the additional Tiers applied for.

(2) If the fee already paid is equal to or greater than that chargeable in respect of a licence for each additional Tier applied for, no further fee is payable.

(3) Where a person holding an existing valid sponsor licence applies for a separate licence, the fee payable is the full fee chargeable in respect of a licence for the relevant Tier.

Table 15 (Fees for other applications and processes in connection with sponsorship)

| <i>Number of fee</i> | <i>Type of application or process</i> | <i>Amount of fee</i> |
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| 15.1 | Fee for applications for a Tier 4 Sponsor basic compliance assessment | |
| 15.1.1 | Application for a Tier 4 Sponsor basic compliance assessment. | £536 |
| 15.2 | Fee for processes relating to sponsor licences | |
| 15.2.1 | The issuing to a sponsor, on request, of an action plan with which a sponsor must comply in order to achieve or retain a particular status, or to remain on the register of licensed sponsors maintained by the Secretary of State. | £1,476 |