

Whiplash Reforms Programme Court Fees Information

This document explains the court fees for proceedings started under <u>Practice Direction 27B (PD27B)</u>. Full details have recently been published on the <u>whiplash gov.uk</u> website.

Table 1

This table sets out the fees that will be payable the first time the claimant goes to court. The table shows whether the claimant will need to pay an issue fee or an application fee. It also shows which cases will incur a hearing fee. The court will notify the claimant when this fee is payable, usually nearer to the hearing date fixed.

| Section of PD27B and type of dispute | Value based issue fee | Application fee | Additional hearing fee (payable later) |
|---|--------------------------|-----------------|---|
| 1- Liability dispute only: liability denied in full | \checkmark | | \checkmark |
| 2 - Claim value dispute: no liability dispute, no NVC* claim or uplift request | \checkmark | | |
| 3 – Claim value dispute: liability part disputed; may include NVC claim or uplift request | ✓ | | ✓ |
| 4 - Claim value dispute: liability not disputed; NVC claim; may include uplift request | \checkmark | | |
| 5 – Claim value dispute: Liability not disputed; no NVC claim; includes uplift request | ✓ | | |
| 6 – Claim for interim payment | | \checkmark | |
| 7 – Non-payment of agreed interim payment | | \checkmark | |
| 8 – Starting due to limitation | \checkmark | | |
| 9 – Dispute over fees for medical report or other disbursements | | \checkmark | |
| 10 – Non-payment of agreed settlement sum | | \checkmark | |

* Non-Protocol Vehicle Costs



Table 2

This table sets out the court fees that will be payable if the claimant has already made one court claim and is asking the court to consider a further application in the same case.

| | If you are making a second application to court under one or more of the procedures in <u>PD27B</u> as below. | | | | |
|--|---|---|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| First application | 2 or 4 | 3, 5 or 6 | 7 or 8 | 10 or 11 | |
| If your first application was made under section 2 of PD27B (Liability) | Not available | Application fee Possibly also a top-up value- based issue fee* | Application fee only | Application fee only | |
| If your first application was made under sections 7 or 8 of PD27B (Interim Payment) | Value-based issue fee and hearing fee (for section 4 cases only) | Application fee only | Application fee only | Application fee only | |
| If your first application was made under section 9 of PD27B (Limitation) | Hearing Fee Possibly also a top-up value- based issue fee* | Application fee Possibly also a top-up value- based issue fee* | Application fee only | Application fee only | |

*If a claimant has already paid a value-based issue fee under sections 2, 4 or 9 when they started their claim and the value of your claim has now increased, they will also need to pay a "top-up" to the correct value-based fee.

Table 3

This table sets out the fees payable as of 31st May 2021. It also shows the proposed increases in some fees, which are currently subject to the public consultation. If approved, these increases are likely to come into effect in Autumn 2021.

Claimants who have little or no savings, are on certain benefits or have low income may be eligible to apply for help with Fees. This can allow the claimants money off the court fee they actually pay and, in some cases, reduce the fee to nil. For more information, see <u>www.go.uk/get-help-with-court-fees</u>

| Relevant fee | Fees Payable |
|--|--------------|
| Issue fee, money claims up to £300 | £35 |
| Issue fee, money claims £300.01-£500 | £50 |
| Issue fee, money claims £500.01-£1000 | £70 |
| Issue fee, money claims £1000.01-£1500 | £80 |
| Issue fee, money claims £1500.01-£3000 | £115 |
| Issue fee, money claims £3000.01-£5000 | £205 |
| Issue fee, money claims £5000.01-£10000 | £455 |
| SCT hearings up to £300 | £27 |
| SCT hearings £300.01-£500 | £59 |
| SCT hearings £500.01-£1000 | £85 |
| SCT hearings £1000.01-£1500 | £123 |
| SCT hearings £1500.01-£3000 | £181 |
| SCT hearings more than £3000 | £346 |
| General application fee | £303 |