

Court of Judicature Fees – 1 April 2026

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<i>Item</i>	<i>Fee from 1 April 2026</i>
A. Commencement of a Cause of Matter	
1	On sealing—
a	a writ of summons, or £326
b	an originating summons, except for the payment out of court of a sum not exceeding £1,500 or where a fee under section 6 is payable and where no other fee is specifically provided, or £326
c	a writ of summons or an originating summons under Order 88, or £244
d	an originating notice of motion, except a notice of appeal to the High Court, or £326
e	a petition, except where a fee under section 4 or 6 of this Schedule is payable £326
2	On sealing an originating summons—
a	on approval of a minor settlement £244
b	under section 31 or 32(1) of the Administration of Justice Act 1970 for discovery before commencement of proceedings £123
c	on a third party notice £326
d	on a counterclaim £326
3	On a notice of motion under Order 53 for judicial review where application for leave has been granted £326
B. Progress of Proceedings	
<i>Interlocutory applications</i>	
4	On a sealing a summons, a notice of appointment, or a notice of motion £189
5	a On an ex-parte application to a judge for an injunction £326
b	On an ex-parte application to a judge for approval of a minor settlement £244
c	On an application to a Master for payment out of monies invested on behalf of a minor £25
d	On an ex-parte application before a -
(i)	Master £244
(ii)	Judge £326

<i>Item</i>	<i>Fee from 1 April 2026</i>
e On listing of a first case management review hearing (other than in a judicial review under Order 53 and a commercial action under Order 72) before a –	
(i) Master	£244
(ii) judge	£326
The fees in item 5(e) are payable by the plaintiff when the review is listed by the court and otherwise by the party requesting the review hearing.	
6 On an application to transfer an action to the commercial list	£326
<i>Entering and setting down for trial in court</i>	
7 On entering or setting down any cause or matter for trial, hearing or further consideration in court, except where it is otherwise provided for in this Schedule	
a without a Jury	£488
b with a Jury	£814
8 a On setting down a cause or motion for judgment	£488
b Where the motion is treated as the trial of the action, in addition to the fee paid on the notice of motion	£488
9 On setting down other party pleadings	£488
<i>Examination of witness before trial</i>	
10 On the examination of a witness before trial	£81
<i>Inquiries, trials and assessment of damages or interest by Master</i>	
11 a On an inquiry, reference for trial or assessment of damages before a Master or Admiralty Registrar	£244
b On an assessment of interest before a Master	£189
<i>Decree, award, judgment, order or dismiss</i>	
12 On a decree, award, judgment, order or dismiss	£123
<i>Appeals to judge in Chambers</i>	
13 On sealing a notice of appeal from a Master or Admiralty Registrar or District Judge to judge in Chambers	£326

<i>Item</i>	<i>Fee from 1 April 2026</i>
<i>Appeals to High Court</i>	
14	On filing—
a	a notice of appeal to the High Court, or £326
b	a case stated or a special case for the opinion of the High Court pursuant to statute and setting the appeal or case down for hearing, or £326
c	a notice of cross-appeal to the High Court, or £326
d	a respondent's notice of appeal to the High Court £326
C. Enforcements of Judgements	
<i>Application in aid of enforcement</i>	
15	On an application for an attachment of earnings order to secure maintenance payments £189
<i>Registration of Foreign and Commonwealth Judgements</i>	
16	a Under Part II of the Administration of Justice Act 1920 or the Foreign Judgements (Reciprocal Enforcement) Act 1933—
	(i) on an ex-parte application to register an incoming judgment or order £81
	(ii) on providing a certified copy of a judgment or order for use abroad £123
	b Under the Maintenance Orders Act 1950 or the Maintenance and Affiliation Orders Act (Northern Ireland) 1966—
	(i) on an ex-parte application to register an outgoing order £81
	(ii) on processing an incoming registration £81
	c Under the Maintenance Orders (Facilities for Enforcement) Act 1920—
	(i) on an ex-parte application to register an outgoing order £81
	(ii) on processing an incoming registration £81
	d Under the Maintenance Orders (Reciprocal Enforcement) Act 1972 on an ex-parte application to register an outgoing order £81
<i>Enforcement of Arbitration Award</i>	
17	On an application for leave to enforce an arbitration award £123
D. Miscellaneous Proceedings or Matters	
<i>Copy Documents</i>	
18	On a copy, including a photographic copy, of all or any part of any document not otherwise provided for -

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a five sheets or less	£8
b for each sheet thereafter	£0.50
c on a copy order/decreed including certified or sealed	£17
d on a copy order/decreed produced online	£15
19 For a certified copy of a written judgment	£123
<i>Bills of Sale</i>	
20 On filing—	
a any document under the Bills of Sale (Ireland) Acts, 1879 and 1883, other than a fiat of satisfaction	£49
b fiat of satisfaction	£49
21 a For a certificate of the result of a search in one name in any register or index under the custody of the Registrar of Bills of Sale	£49
b For every additional name if included in the same certificate	£33
<i>Taking affidavits</i>	
22 On taking an affidavit or an affirmation or a declaration	£49
<i>Searches</i>	
23 a On a search of court documents, except where item 21 or 38a applies	£33
b Additional fee where the search is carried out by an officer of the court	£17
<i>Writs of Subpoena</i>	
24 On sealing a writ of subpoena per person	£49
<i>Warrants of arrest</i>	
25 On an application for a warrant of arrest under Article 5(3) of the Protection from Harassment (Northern Ireland) Order 1997	£0
<i>Certification of a pending action</i>	
26 On a request for certification of a pending action required under Rule 91(3) of the Land Registration Rules (Northern Ireland) 1994 or section 3(2) of the Registration of Deeds Act (Northern Ireland) 1970	£112

Section 2**Fees Payable in the Central Office**

<i>Item</i>	<i>Fee from 1 April 2026</i>
<i>Review of Taxing Master's Decision</i>	
27	On an application to a judge to review the Taxing Master's decision. £326
<i>Admiralty</i>	
28	a On lodging with the Marshall an instrument under Order 75, rule 5(1) £326
	b On the sale of a ship or goods—
	(i) for every £100 or fraction of £100 of the price up to £100,000 £2
	(ii) for every £100 or fraction of £100 of the price exceeding £100,000 £1
	c On entering a reference for hearing by the Registrar £326
	d On retaining possession of a ship with or without cargo, or of a ship's cargo without a ship, per day £81
<i>Court of Appeal</i>	
29	a On filing a notice of appeal or case stated £814
	b On filing a notice of cross-appeal or a respondent's notice under Order 59, rule 6(1) £610
	c On any other application to the Court of Appeal £814
<i>Transcript of Trial</i>	
30	A transcript of the shorthand or stenographic notes or of a recording taken by mechanical means of the whole or any part of any proceedings in respect of which -
	a an appeal lies to the Court of Appeal, for each page £1
	b leave has been given by a Judge -
	(i) in a criminal trial for each folio £1
	(ii) in a civil trial for each folio £1
	(iii) for each page of a second or subsequent transcript £1
	c on an audio recording produced on compact disc in any court proceedings, for each hour recorded or part thereof £42
<i>Deed Poll</i>	
31	Application for a deed poll £81

Section 3 Fees payable in the Lord/Lady Chief Justice's Office

<i>Item</i>		<i>Fee from 1 April 2026</i>
32	On presenting a memorial for appointment as commissioner for oaths or notary public	£123
33	For every certificate of such appointment	£123

Section 4 Fees payable in the Bankruptcy and Companies Office

<i>Item</i>	<i>Fee from 1 April 2026</i>	
<i>Under The Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 or The Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989</i>		
34 a	On sealing a petition for the winding up of a company by the court or for an order under Article 452 or 453 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986	£244
b	On sealing a bankruptcy petition:	
	(i) if presented by a debtor or by the personal representative of a deceased debtor	£189
	(ii) if presented by a creditor or other person	£244
c	On sealing any other petition (one fee only is payable where more than one petition is presented in relation to a partnership)	£244
d	On the hearing of a public examination	£244
35 a	On sealing any originating application	£244
b	On sealing any other application	£189
	The fees in Items 35 (a) and (b) are not payable on an application to set aside a statutory demand or an application by the Official Receiver when applying only in that capacity	
<i>Under The Bankruptcy Acts (Northern Ireland) 1857 to 1980</i>		
36	On a request for a certificate to discharge bankruptcy	£123
37	On a petition for an Administration Order	£244
<i>Miscellaneous</i>		
38 a	On any search in the office (including an inspection) other than by a bankrupt, director proposing a company voluntary arrangement, a debtor proposing an individual voluntary arrangement, or the Official Receiver when acting as such	£33
b	Additional fee where the search is carried out by an officer of the court	£17

Section 5 Fees payable in the Taxing Office

<i>Item</i>	<i>Fee from 1 April 2026</i>
39 On an application for taxation under the Solicitors (Northern Ireland) Order 1976	£189
40 On the lodgement of a bill of costs NOTE: Provided that where the bill is taxed, credit for this fee is to be given against the final fee payable	5% of original bill (up to a maximum fee of £3,500)
41 a On taxing a cash account between solicitor and own client under the Solicitors (Northern Ireland) Order 1976 – for every £50 or fraction of £50 of the amounts found to have been received and paid	£0.39
b On the taxation of a bill of costs— (i) where the amount allowed does not exceed £500 (ii) where the amount exceeds £500, for every £1 or fraction of £1 of the amount allowed	£99 £0.20 (up to a maximum fee of £10,500)
In addition to item 40 the Master may in any case require the bill of costs to be stamped before taxation with the whole or part of the amount of fees which would be payable if the bill were allowed by him at the full amount thereof (including in cases under the Solicitors (Northern Ireland) Order 1976, the fee payable in respect of the cash account)	
c On the withdrawal of a bill of costs which has been lodged for taxation In addition to item 40 such fee (not exceeding the amount which would have been payable under paragraph (b) if the bill had been allowed in full) as shall appear to the Master to be reasonable having regard to the amount of work done in the Office	Calculated
d On assessing costs in the Chancery Division for every £1 or fraction of £1 of the sum assessed	£0.14
e On an application to the Taxing Master to review his decision	£189

Section 6 Fees payable in the Office of Care and Protection

<i>Item</i>	<i>Fee from 1 April 2026</i>	
Wardship, Adoption and Parental Orders		
42	On an application by way of petition or originating summons for wardship, adoption or a parental order under section 30 of the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990	£163
Family Law Act		
43	On an application under section 27 of the Family Law Act 1986 for the registration of a custody order	£123
Enduring Powers of Attorney		
44	On an application for registration of an enduring power of attorney	£189
45	On an application made pursuant to a direction of the Court under rule 4 of Order 109A	£326
46	On an application for a search of the register of enduring powers of attorney	£33
Patients' Affairs		
<i>Commencement Fee</i>		
47	(1) On a first application for the appointment of a controller or other originating process, except where it appears that the patient's clear annual income is less than £1,000	£326
	(2) On commencement pursuant to a request by a personal applicant, in addition to Fee (1)	£0
<i>Annual Administrative Fee</i>		
48	On a certificate issued by the Office -	
	a administrative fee per annum where funds are operated out of court	£407
	b administrative fee per annum where funds are held by Court Funds Office	£570
<i>Transaction Fee</i>		
49	(1) On any order (or, as the case may be, on any approval given by the court under an order) made by the court in the exercise of powers conferred by—	

<i>Item</i>	<i>Fee from 1 April 2026</i>
(i) Article 99(1)— (b) sale, exchange etc of property (c) acquisition of property (d) settlement of gift of property (h) carrying out of contract or (k) exercise of powers as guardian or trustee of the Mental Health (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 (“the Order”);	£130 or in a “special case” ¼% of the pecuniary consideration as defined in Note 3 if greater than £130
(ii) Article 102 of the Order (vesting of stock in curator appointed outside Northern Ireland);	£130 or in a “special case” ¼% of the pecuniary consideration as defined in Note 3 if greater than £130
(iii) Section 35(9) of the Trustee Act (Northern Ireland) 1958 (appointment of new trustee);	£130 or in a “special case” ¼% of the pecuniary consideration as defined in Note 3 if greater than £130
(iv) Section 57(3) of the Trustee Act (Northern Ireland) 1958 (variation of trusts for benefit of patient);	£130 or in a “special case” ¼% of the pecuniary consideration as defined in Note 3 if greater than £130
provided that no fee under these items shall be taken if the property is worth less than £50 and no such fee shall exceed £500	
(2) On the making by the court of any order or authority under Article 99(1)(e) of the Order (execution of will)	£326
<i>Control Fees</i>	
50 On passing an account where an officer of the court (including Official Solicitor) is appointed	£814
51 Winding-up fee on the death of a patient	£447

<i>Item</i>		<i>Fee from 1 April 2026</i>
52	On an application to purchase, sell or transfer house or land, release life interest or right of residence	£244
53	Enduring Power of Attorney Account fee	£244
54	Referral of patient to Office of Care and Protection including issue of enabling certificate and Master's direction by certificate	£123
55	On an application to appoint a new Controller	£326
56	Master's subsequent direction by certificate, where no Controller Order or Short Procedure Order issued	£123
57	Issue of a Controller ad interim Order or a Short Procedure Order	£123
58	On appointment of a Controller	£189