



New South Wales

# Land and Environment Court Regulation 2000

under the

Land and Environment Court Act 1979

His Excellency the Governor, with the advice of the Executive Council, has made the following Regulation under the *Land and Environment Court Act 1979*.

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## Explanatory note

This Regulation replaces the *Land and Environment Court Regulation 1994* which is repealed on 1 September 2000 under section 10 (2) of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1989*.

The new Regulation makes provision for the fees that are payable in respect of the business of the Land and Environment Court (including provision for the postponement or waiver of fees in the case of legally assisted persons).

This Regulation is made under the *Land and Environment Court Act 1979*, including section 78.

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## Land and Environment Court Regulation 2000

### 1 Name of Regulation

This Regulation is the *Land and Environment Court Regulation 2000*.

### 2 Commencement

This Regulation commences on 1 September 2000.

**Note.** This Regulation replaces the *Land and Environment Court Regulation 1994* which is repealed on 1 September 2000 under section 10 (2) of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1989*.

### 3 Notes

The explanatory note, table of contents and notes in the text of this Regulation do not form part of this Regulation.

### 4 Fees generally

The fees to be taken in respect of the matters set out in Schedule 1 are the fees specified in that Schedule.

### 5 Persons by and to whom fees payable

- (1) A fee charged under this Regulation for a document or service is payable to the registrar by the person at whose request the document is filed or the service rendered.
- (2) If a document is filed or a service rendered at the request of a person acting as an agent for another person, each of those persons is jointly and severally liable for payment of the fee.

### 6 Postponement or waiver of fees in certain cases

- (1) The taking of the fee for filing initiating process to commence proceedings in any Class of the Court's jurisdiction is to be postponed until judgment is given in the proceedings if the process is filed by or on behalf of:
  - (a) a pro bono party to the proceedings, or
  - (b) a pensioner party to the proceedings, or
  - (c) a legally assisted party to the proceedings.

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- (2) The fee is not to be taken at all, or if taken must be remitted, if, in relation to the proceedings:
  - (a) judgment is against the party concerned, or
  - (b) judgment is in favour of that party, but costs are not awarded in his or her favour.
- (3) Despite clause 7 (2), a registrar or Clerk of a Local Court must not refuse to file or issue any document, or render a service, relevant to proceedings merely because, in accordance with this clause, a fee has not been taken for the filing of any initiating process on behalf of a pro bono party, a pensioner party or a legally assisted party to the proceedings concerned.
- (4) For the purposes of this clause:
  - (a) a party to proceedings is a *pro bono party* if he or she is being represented under the pro bono scheme of the Law Society of New South Wales or the pro bono scheme of the New South Wales Bar Association and a legal practitioner acting for the party:
    - (i) certifies in writing to the registrar or Clerk of the Local Court with whom the initiating process is lodged on behalf of the party that the party is being so represented, and
    - (ii) undertakes in writing to the registrar or Clerk to pay the filing fee for that document if, at the conclusion of the proceedings, subclause (2) does not apply, and
  - (b) a party to proceedings is a *pensioner party* if he or she is the holder of any card issued by the Commonwealth Government that entitles the holder to Commonwealth health concessions, and
  - (c) a party to proceedings is a *legally assisted party* if he or she is receiving legal assistance through a community legal centre within the meaning of section 48H of the *Legal Profession Act 1987*.

### 7 When fees payable

- (1) A fee charged under this Regulation becomes payable when the document concerned is filed or the service concerned is rendered.

- (2) However, a registrar who is requested to file a document or render a service:
  - (a) may require a fee for the document or service to be paid before the document is filed or the service rendered, or
  - (b) may, by order in writing, direct that the whole or any part of such a fee be postponed, waived or remitted, subject to such conditions (if any) as the registrar thinks fit to impose.

**8 Determination of costs if no agreement between prosecutor and defendant**

- (1) This clause applies if no agreement between a prosecutor and defendant can be reached as to the amount of costs payable in accordance with a direction under section 52 of the Act.
- (2) The prosecutor or the defendant may apply to the proper officer of the Supreme Court in accordance with section 202 of the *Legal Profession Act 1987* for an assessment of the whole of, or any part of, the costs referred to in a direction under section 52 of the Act.
- (3) The costs are to be assessed in accordance with the provisions of Division 6 of Part 11 of the *Legal Profession Act 1987*.

**9 Savings provision**

Any act, matter or thing that, immediately before the repeal of the *Land and Environment Court Regulation 1994*, had effect under that Regulation is taken to have effect under this Regulation.

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1	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 1 of the Court's jurisdiction (other than proceedings referred to in item 2 or 3)	546
2	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 1 of the Court's jurisdiction where the matter relates to a development application (other than a development application relating to the subdivision of land) or to a building application, and where the value of the development or building:	
	(a) is less than \$50,000	161
	(b) is \$50,000 or more but less than \$500,000	546
	(c) is \$500,000 or more but less than \$1,000,000	2,488
	(d) is \$1,000,000 or more	3,108
3	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 1 of the Court's jurisdiction where the matter relates to an appeal under section 98 of the <i>Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979</i>	161
4	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 2 of the Court's jurisdiction (other than proceedings referred to in item 5)	546
5	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 2 of the Court's jurisdiction where the matter relates to a development application (other than a development application relating to the subdivision of land) or to a building application, and where the value of the development or building is less than \$50,000	161
6	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 3 of the Court's jurisdiction (other than proceedings referred to in item 7, 8 or 9)	546

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7	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 3 of the Court's jurisdiction where the matter relates to an appeal, reference or other matter under the <i>Crown Lands Act 1989</i> , the <i>Crown Lands (Continued Tenures) Act 1989</i> , the <i>Roads Act 1993</i> , the <i>Water Act 1912</i> or the <i>Western Lands Act 1901</i>	77
8	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 3 of the Court's jurisdiction where the matter relates to an appeal or objection against a valuation of land, and where the value of the land, as determined by the respondent valuing authority:	
	(a) is less than \$100,000	141
	(b) is \$100,000 or more but less than \$500,000	191
	(c) is \$500,000 or more but less than \$1,000,000	302
	(d) is \$1,000,000 or more	427
9	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 3 of the Court's jurisdiction where the matter relates to a claim for compensation for the compulsory acquisition of land, as referred to in section 24 of the <i>Land and Environment Court Act 1979</i> , and where the amount offered as compensation by the resuming or constructing authority:	
	(a) is less than \$50,000	161
	(b) is \$50,000 or more but less than \$500,000	546
	(c) is \$500,000 or more but less than \$1,000,000	2,488
	(d) is \$1,000,000 or more	3,108
10	In respect of item 6, 8 or 9, if the registrar determines that, because of the substance of the matter and its lack of complexity, the fee referred to in the item is not appropriate	77
11	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 4 of the Court's jurisdiction	546
12	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 5 of the Court's jurisdiction	546
13	Filing a process to commence proceedings in Class 6 or 7 of the Court's jurisdiction	161

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14	Filing a process to commence an appeal to the Court under section 56A of the <i>Land and Environment Court Act 1979</i>	663
15	Filing a process to commence proceedings for modification of a development consent, or for modification of an approval, granted by the Court on appeal	100 or 30% of the original filing fee paid to the Court (whichever is the greater)
16	Production of a document, by an officer of the Court, elsewhere than at the place at which the Court sits and elsewhere than at the office of the registrar	45
17	Making a copy of a document, for each page (minimum fee	2 10)
18	Supplying a copy of the transcript/diskette of proceedings:	
	(a) for each page (or equivalent) where the matter being transcribed is under 3 months old (minimum fee for 1 to 8 pages or equivalent	6.70 58)
	(b) for each page (or equivalent) where the matter being transcribed is 3 months old or older (minimum fee for 1 to 8 pages or equivalent	7.70 68)
	(c) for each diskette also supplied (in addition to fee under paragraph (a) or (b))	5
19	Furnishing a party to proceedings with a second or subsequent copy of the written opinion or reasons for opinion of a Judge or of a commissioner or other officer of the Court in relation to the proceedings, for each copy	43
20	Furnishing a person (other than a party to proceedings) with a first or subsequent copy of the written opinion or reasons for opinion of a Judge or of a commissioner or other officer of the Court in relation to any proceedings, for each copy	43

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21	Opening, or keeping open, the office of the registrar:	
	(a) on a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday (except the day after Easter Monday)	432
	(b) on any other day:	
	(i) before 8.30 am or after 4.30 pm	432
	(ii) between 8.30 and 9 am or 4 and 4.30 pm	45
22	Supplying a duplicate tape recording of sound-recorded evidence, for each cassette	36
23	(a) To issue a subpoena for production	49
	(b) To issue a subpoena for production and to give evidence	49
	(c) To issue a subpoena to give evidence	24
24	Retrieving a document from archival storage, for each document	21

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