



# Family Law Rules 2004

**Statutory Rules 2003 No. 375 as amended**

made under the

*Family Law Act 1975*

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The text of any of those amendments not in force  
on that date is appended in the Notes section

This document has been split into two volumes  
Volume 1 contains Chapters 1–26 (Rr. 1.01–26.31), and  
**Volume 2** contains Schedules 1–6, Dictionary and the Notes  
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## **Schedule 3      Itemised scale of costs**

(rule 19.18 and clause 6.19 of Schedule 6)

*Note 1* This Schedule commenced on 1 July 2006 and applies generally to work done on or after that date. Different amounts, set out in superseded versions of this Schedule, may continue to apply to work done before that date.

*Note 2* The amounts in this Schedule include GST.

### **Part 1            Fees for lawyer's work done**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Matter for which charge is made</b>	<b>Charge</b>
101	Drafting documents (other than letters)	\$18.64 per 100 words
102	Producing documents in printed form (other than letters)	\$6.37 per 100 words
103	Drafting and producing letters (including fax or e-mail transmissions)	\$21.41 per 100 words
104	Reading documents	\$8.73 per 100 words
105	Scanning of documents (where reading is not necessary)	\$3.44 per 100 words
106	For a document or letter mentioned in item 101, 102, 103, 104 or 105 containing more than 3 000 words	The amount allowed by the Registrar
107	Photocopy or other reproduction of a document	74 cents per page
108	Time reasonably spent by a lawyer on work requiring the skill of a lawyer (except work to which any other item in this Part applies)	\$218.60 per hour
109	Time reasonably spent by a lawyer, or by a clerk of a lawyer, on work (except work to which any other item in this Part applies)	\$141.73 per hour

## Part 2 Fees for counsel's work done

Item	Matter for which charge is made	Charge	
		Senior counsel	Junior counsel
201	Chamber work (including preparing or settling any necessary document, opinion, advice or evidence, and any reading fee (if allowed))	\$420.40– \$720.70 per hour	\$251.00– \$357.96 per hour
202	Conferences (including court appointed conferences), if necessary	\$420.40– \$720.70 per hour	\$251.00– \$357.96 per hour
203	Short attendances (for example, procedural hearings, summary hearings (taking less than 3 hours))	\$420.40– \$3 002.74	\$224.55– \$1 052.16
204	A hearing or trial taking at least 3 hours but not more than 1 day	\$780.72– \$6 006.05	\$744.42– \$1 720.74
205	Other hearings or trials	\$1 981.90– \$6 006.05 per day	\$1 774.09– \$2 607.65 per day
206	Reserved judgment	\$420.40– \$720.70 per hour	\$251.00– \$357.96 per hour

## Part 3 Basic composite amount for undefended divorce

Item	Matter for which charge is made	Charge
301	If the lawyer employed another lawyer to attend at court for the applicant and there is a child of the marriage under 18	\$923.27
302	If the lawyer employed another lawyer to attend at court for the applicant and there is no child of the marriage under 18	\$686.91

<b>Item</b>	<b>Matter for which charge is made</b>	<b>Charge</b>
303	If the lawyer did not employ another lawyer to attend at court for the applicant and there is a child of the marriage under 18	\$866.79
304	If the lawyer did not employ another lawyer to attend at court for the applicant and there is no child of the marriage under 18	\$648.60
305	If the lawyer did not attend at court for the hearing under section 98A of the Act	\$558.07

**Part 4            Basic composite amount for application  
                         for Enforcement Warrant or Third Party  
                         Debt Notice**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Matter for which charge is made</b>	<b>Charge</b>
401	An Enforcement Warrant under rule 20.16	\$558.07
402	A Third Party Debt Notice under rule 20.32	\$558.07