# Fees

There are fees for filing certain applications, and for some hearings. Filing fees must be paid before the application is filed and are non-refundable. The fees are set by government regulations and increase on 1 July each year. GST does not apply to Family Court fees.

## New Fees from 1 July 2022

## **Application Fees**

Form	Fees from 1 July 2022
Application for Consent Orders (Form 11)	\$180
Application for Divorce (Form 3)	\$990
Application for Divorce (Form 3) - Reduced Fee	\$330
Initiating Application (Form 1) - Final Orders Only - Parenting OR Financial orders	\$385
Initiating Application (Form 1) - Final AND Interim Orders - Parenting OR Financial orders	\$515
Initiating Application (Form 1) - Final Orders Only - Parenting AND Financial orders	\$625
Initiating Application (Form 1) - Final AND Interim Orders - Parenting AND Financial orders	\$755
Response to Initiating Application (Form 1A)	\$385
Response to Initiating Application (Form 1A) AND if introducing Interim Orders Sought - when not sought by the Applicant	\$515
Interim Order Application (Form 2) - Parenting and/OR Financial orders	\$130
Application for Nullity (Form 1)	\$1,405
Application for Nullity (Form 1) - Reduced Fee	\$465
Application for Declaration as to validity of marriage, divorce or annulment (Form 1)	\$1,405
Issue Subpoena (Form 14)	\$60

# Hearing fees and setting down fees

Hearing fees can be paid online, see <u>Payment Options</u> for details.

There are fees for each day of a defended hearing for final orders. There are no hearing fees for procedural hearings, or hearings to prepare a case for trial.

When your case is prepared for trial and given a trial date, there is a *setting down* fee. This fee is for the court to allocate a trial date and begin preparing to decide your application, and includes the hearing fee for the first day of the trial. A setting down fee is not refundable, and must be paid no later than 28 days before the hearing.

Hearing Fee Type	Fees from 1 July 2022

Setting down for hearing fee (non-refundable)

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Listed before a judge	\$945	
Listed before a magistrate	\$695	
Daily hearing fee - for each hearing day excluding the first hearing day.		
Listed before a judge	\$945	
Listed before a magistrate	\$695	
Conciliation Conference	\$435	

#### **Appeal fees**

Description	Fees From 1 July 2022
Setting down fee for an appeal from a Magistrates Court	\$945
Hearing fee for an appeal from a Magistrates Court (for each day excluding the first day)	\$945
Form 20 - Notice of appeal to the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Div 1) from orders made by a Judge or a Family Law Magistrate (unless the below fee has been paid)	\$1,500
Form 20 - Application for leave to appeal to the Federal Circuit and Family Court of Australia (Div 1)	\$1,500
Form 20 - Application for leave to appeal under section 211 of the Family Court Act 1997 from an interlocutory order of a Family Law Magistrate	\$1,500

### **Fee Payment Methods**

Online at the <u>eCourts Portal</u> of Western Australia when efiling your application, using VISA or Mastercard credit/debit card.

By post or when using the Registry drop box, using VISA or Mastercard credit/debit card details on a <u>credit card payment authority</u> form.

Hearing fees and setting down fees can be paid by VISA or Mastercard credit/debit card through the <u>eCourts Portal Invoice Payment</u> page.

To pay hearing fees online, you will need the hearing fee invoice and invoice number.

### Fee exemption, reduction and deferral

If you hold certain Government concession cards, are receiving certain types of government support, or you can demonstrate financial hardship, you may be eligible for a fee reduction or exemption. The payment of a filing fee can also be deferred in certain limited circumstances. See the <u>fee reductions and exemptions</u> page for details.

### Amending an application

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If your original *Initiating Application (Form 1)* only sought parenting orders, or only sought financial orders, and you subsequently amend the *Initiating Application* to include both parenting and financial orders, there will be an additional filing fee of \$240 for the amended application.

### **Need more information?**

Contact the Family Court registry on (08) 9224 8222 or 1800 199 228.

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