PRACTICE DIRECTION 45 – TABLES OF FIXED COSTS (2023)

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TABLE 1: rule 45.8 – pre-action and interim applications

A. A claim which would normally be or is assigned to complexity bands 1, 2 of 3 of Table 12	£250
B. A claim—(a) which would normally be or is assigned to complexity band 4 of Table 12; or(b) to which Table 14 or Table 15 applies	£333
C. An application for— (a) summary judgment under Part 24; (b) an interim payment under Part 25; or	£750
(c) an interim injunction under Part 25	

TABLE 2: rule 45.17 – amount of fixed commencement costs in a claim for the recovery of money or goods

Relevant band	Where the claim	Where-	Where there is more
	form is served by the court or by	the claim form is	than one defendant, for each additional

	any method other than personal service by the claimant	served personally by the claimant; and • there is only one defendant	defendant personally served at separate addresses by the claimant
• the value of the claim exceeds £25 but does not exceed £500	£50	£60	£15
• the value of the claim exceeds £500 but does not exceed £1,000	£70	£80	£15
• the value of the claim exceeds £1,000 but does not exceed	£80	£90	£15

£5,000; or • the only claim is for delivery			
of goods and no value is specified or stated on the claim form			
• the value of the claim exceeds £5,000	£100	£110	£15

TABLE 3: rule 45.19 – fixed costs on entry of judgment in a claim for the recovery of money or goods

	Where the amount of the judgment exceeds £25 but does not exceed £5,000	Where the amount of the judgment exceeds £5,000
Where judgment in default of an acknowledgment of service is entered under rule 12.4(1) (entry of judgment by request on claim for money only)	£22.00	£30.00
Where judgment in default of a defence is entered under rule 12.4(1) (entry of judgment by request on claim for money only)	£25.00	£35.00

Where judgment is entered under rule 14.4 (judgment on admission), or rule 14.5 (judgment on admission of part of claim) and claimant accepts the defendant's proposal as to the manner of payment	£40.00	£55.00
Where judgment is entered under rule 14.4 (judgment on admission), or rule 14.5 (judgment on admission of part of claim) and court decides the date or time of payment	£55.00	£70.00
Where summary judgment is given under Part 24 or the court strikes out a defence under rule 3.4(2)(a), in either case, on application by a party	£175.00	£210.00
Where judgment is given on a claim for delivery of goods under a regulated agreement within the meaning of the Consumer Credit Act 1974 ¹ and no other entry in this table applies	£60.00	£85.00

TABLE 4: rule 45.20 – amount of fixed commencement costs in a claim for the recovery of land (including possession) or a demotion claim or prohibited conduct standard contract claim (Wales)

Where the claim form is served by the court or by any method other than	Where– • the claim form is	Where there is more than one defendant, for each additional defendant personally served at
personal service by the claimant	served personally by the claimant; and	separate addresses by the claimant
	there is only one	

	defendant	
£69.50	£77.00	£15.00

TABLE 5: rule 45.21 – fixed costs on entry of judgment in a claim for the recovery of land (including possession) or a demotion claim or prohibited conduct standard contract claim (Wales)

(1) Amount to be included in the judgment for the claimant's legal representative's charges where—	The total of— (a) the fixed
(a) the claimant has claimed fixed commencement costs under rule 45.20; and	commencement costs;
(b) judgment is entered in a claim to which rule 45.16(2)(d) or (f) applies	(b) the sum of £57.25
(2) Amount allowed for the claimant's legal representative's charges for preparing and filing—	£79.50
(a) the claim form;	
(b) the documents that accompany the claim form; and	
(c) the request for possession,	
where an order for possession is made in a claim to which rule 45.16(2)(e) applies	

TABLE 6: rule 45.22 - miscellaneous fixed costs

For service by a party of any document other than the claim form required to	£15.00
be served personally including preparing and copying a certificate of service	
for each individual served	

Where service by an alternative method or at an alternative place is	£53.25
permitted by an order under rule 6.15 for each individual served	
Where a document is served out of the jurisdiction –	
(a) in Scotland, Northern Ireland, the Isle of Man or the Channel Islands;	£68.25
(b) in any other place	£77.00

TABLE 7: rule 45.23 – fixed costs of enforcement

For an application under rule 70.5(4) that an award may be enforced as if payable under a court order, where the amount outstanding under the award:	
exceeds £25 but does not exceed £250	£30.75
exceeds £250 but does not exceed £600	£41.00
exceeds £600 but does not exceed £2,000	£69.50
exceeds £2,000	£75.50
On attendance to question a judgment debtor (or officer of a company or other corporation) who has been ordered to attend court under rule 71.2 where the questioning takes place before a court officer	for each half hour or part, £15.00
On the making of a final third party debt order under rule 72.8(6)(a) or an order for the payment to the judgment creditor of money in court under rule 72.10(1)(b):	

if the amount recovered is less than £150 one-half of the amount recovered 298.50 On the making of a final charging order under rule 73.10(6A)(a), 73.10(7)(a) or 73.10A(3)(a) The court may also allow reasonable disbursements in respect of search fees and the registration of the order. Where a certificate is issued and registered under Schedule 6 to the Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments Act 1982², the costs of registration Where permission is given under rule 83.13 to enforce a judgment or order giving possession of land and costs are allowed on the judgment or order, the amount to be added to the judgment or order for costs — (a) basic costs £42.50 (b) where notice of the proceedings is to be to more than one person, for each additional person Where a writ of control as defined in rule 83.1(2)(k) is issued against any party Where a request is filed for the issue of a warrant £2.25		
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Where a request is filed for the issue of a warrant £2.25		£51.75
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of control under rule 83.15 for a sum exceeding £25	
Where a request is filed for the issue of a warrant of delivery under rule 83.15 for a sum exceeding £25	£2.25
Where an application for an attachment of earnings order is made and costs are allowed under rule 89.10 or CCR Order 28, rule 10, for each attendance on the hearing of the application	£8.50

TABLE 8: Rule 45.25 – amount of fixed commencement costs in a County Court claim for the recovery of money conducted by an HMRC Officer

Where value of claim does not exceed £1000	£ Nil
Where the value of the claim exceeds £1000 but does not exceed £15,000	£60.00
Where the value of the claim exceeds £15,000 but does not exceed £100,000	£100.00
Where the value of the claim exceeds £100,000	£180.00

TABLE 9: Rule 45.26 – fixed costs on entry of judgment in a County Court claim for recovery of money conducted by an HMRC Officer

Where the value of the claim does not exceed £5,000	£15.00
Where the value of the claim exceeds £5,000	£20.00

TABLE 10: rule 45.29 – amount of fixed costs (RTA Protocol)

Where the value of the claim for damages is not more than £10,000		Where the value of the claim for damages is more than £10,000	
Stage 1 fixed costs	£200	Stage 1 fixed costs	£200
Stage 2 fixed costs	£300	Stage 2 fixed costs	£600
Stage 3 - Type A fixed costs	£250	Stage 3 - Type A fixed costs	£250
Stage 3 - Type B fixed costs	£250	Stage 3 - Type B fixed costs	£250
Stage 3 - Type C fixed costs	£150	Stage 3 - Type C fixed costs	£150

TABLE 11: rule 45.29 – amount of fixed costs (EL/PL Protocol)

		Where the value of the clad damages is more than £10	
Stage 1 fixed costs	£300	Stage 1 fixed costs	£300
Stage 2 fixed costs	£600	Stage 2 fixed costs	£1300
Stage 3 - Type A fixed costs	£250	Stage 3 - Type A fixed costs	£250
Stage 3 - Type B fixed costs	£250	Stage 3 - Type B fixed costs	£250
Stage 3	£150	Stage 3	£150

- Type C fixed costs	- Type C fixed costs	

TABLE 12: rule 45.44 – amount of fixed costs in the fast track

A. If Parties reach a settlement prior to the claimant issuing proceedings Part 7 (1) Where damages are not more than £5,000 £5,000 (2) Where damages are more than £5,000, but not more than £10,000 (3) Where damages are more than £580 (3) Where damages £580 (4) End of the claimant issuing proceedings £1,100 + an amount equivalent to amount equivalent to 17.5% of the damages £1,100 + an amount equivalent to 17.5% of the damages £510 per defendance to equivalent to 12.5% of damages over £5,000 (3) Where damages £580 £2,300 + an amount equivalent amount equivalent amount equivalent to 12.5% of damages over £5,000 £3,000 + an amount equivalent amount equivalent amount equivalent amount equivalent to 12.5% of damages over £5,000		
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discontinued before	trial			
(1) On or after the	£2,100	£1,400 + an	£3,200 + an	£3,000 + an
date that the court		amount	amount	amount
issues the claim,		equivalent to	equivalent to	equivalent to
but before the date		20% of the	20% of the	40% of the
that the court		damages	damages	damages +
allocates the claim				£760 per extra
under Part 26				defendant
(2) On or after the	£2,500	£2,300 + an	£4,000 + an	£6,400 + an
date that the court		amount	amount	amount
allocates the claim		equivalent to	equivalent to	equivalent to
under Part 26, but		20% of the	25% of the	40% of the
before the date that		damages	damages	damages +
the court lists the				£760 per extra
claim for trial				defendant
(3) On or after the	£3,800	£3,200 + an	£5,100 + an	£7,900 + an
date that the court		amount	amount	amount
lists the claim for		equivalent to	equivalent to	equivalent to
trial but before trial		20% of the	30% of the	40% of the
		damages	damages	damages +
				£760 per extra
				defendant
C. If the claim is dis	posed of at	trial		
	£3,800	£3,200 + an	£5,100 + an	£7,900 + an
		amount	amount	amount
		equivalent to	equivalent to	equivalent to
		20% of the	30% of the	40% of the
		damages	damages	damages
		agreed or	agreed or	agreed or
		awarded	awarded	awarded +
				£760 per extra

				defendant
D. Trial advocacy fe	es			
(1) Where the value of the claim is not more than £3,000	£580	£580	£580	£1,600
(2) Where the value of the claim is more than £3,000, but not more than £10,000	£820	£820	£820	£1,600
(3) Where the value of the claim is more than £10,000, but not more than £15,000	£1,200	£1,200	£1,200	£2,100
(4) Where the value of the claim is more than £15,000	£2,000	£2,000	£2,000	£2,900

TABLE 13: rule 45.46 – specialist legal advice

A. Providing post-issue advice in writing or in conference	£1,000
B. Drafting a statement of case	£500

TABLE 14: rule 45.50 – amount of fixed costs in the intermediate track

Complexity Band

Stage	1	2	3	4
From pre-issue up to and including the date of service of the defence	£1,600 + an amount equivalent to 3% of the damages	£5,000 + an amount equivalent to 6% of the damages	£6,400 + an amount equivalent to 6% of the damages	£9,300 + an amount equivalent to 8% of the damages
S2			()	()
Specialist legal representative providing post-issue advice in writing or in conference or drafting a statement of case	£2,000	£2,000	(a) £2,300; or (b) £3,500 if counsel is also instructed to draft a defence to a counterclaim	(a) £2,300; or (b) £3,500 if counsel is also instructed to draft a defence to a counterclaim
S3				
From the date of service of the defence up to the earlier of the date set for CMC or the order giving directions under 28.2	£4,000+ an amount equivalent to 10% of the damages	£7,700 + an amount equivalent to 12% of the damages	£9,100 + an amount equivalent to 12% of the damages	£13,000 + an amount equivalent to 14% of the damages

From the end of Stage 3 up to and including the date set by the court for inspection of documents	£4,600 + an amount equivalent to 12% of the damages	£9,400 + an amount equivalent to 14% of the damages	£11,000 + an amount equivalent to 14% of the damages	£16,000 + an amount equivalent to 16% of the damages
From the end of Stage 4 up to and including the later of the dates set by the court for service of witness statements or expert reports	£5,200 + an amount equivalent to 12% of the damages	£11,000 + an amount equivalent to 16% of the damages	£12,000 + an amount equivalent to 16% of the damages	£20,000 + an amount equivalent to 18% of the damages
From the end of Stage 5 up to and including the date set for the pre-trial review or up to 14 days before the trial date, whichever is earlier	£5,900 + an amount equivalent to 15% of the damages	£15,000 + an amount equivalent to 16% of the damages	£16,000 + an amount equivalent to 16% of the damages	£24,000 + an amount equivalent to 18% of the damages
Specialist legal representative advising in writing or in conference following the filing of a defence	£1,400	£1,700	£2,300	£2,900
From the end of Stage 6 up to the date of the trial	£6,600 + an amount equivalent	£17,000 + an amount equivalent	£19,000 + an amount equivalent to	£29,000 + an amount equivalent to

	to 15% of the damages, less £580 if that party did not prepare the trial bundle	to 20% of the damages, less £870 if that party did not prepare the trial bundle	20% of the damages, less £1,120 if that party did not prepare the trial bundle	22% of the damages, less £1,400 if that party did not prepare the trial bundle
Attendance of a legal representative (other than the trial advocate) at trial per day, less an amount equivalent to 50% per day where, on any day, the trial lasts no more than half a day	£580	£870	£1,200	£1,400
S10 Advocacy fee: day 1	£3,200	£3,500	£4,000	£5,800
S11 Advocacy fees for subsequent days, less an amount equivalent to 50% per day where, on any subsequent day, the trial lasts no more than half a day	£1,400	£1,700	£2,000	£2,900
S12 Handing down of a reserved judgment and	£580	£580	£580	£580

consequential matters, where dealt with separately from the trial				
S13 Alternative Dispute Resolution: additional fee payable once only where a mediation or joint settlement meeting takes place	£1,200	£1,200	£1,200	£1,200
Alternative Dispute Resolution: additional fee payable once only for specialist legal representative attendance at a mediation or joint settlement meeting covered by S13	£1,400	£1,700	£2,000	£2,300
S15 Approval of settlement for child, unless the settlement is approved at trial	£1,200	£1,400	£1,700	£2,000

TABLE 15: rule 45.53 – amount of fixed costs in claims for noise induced hearing loss

Stage	1 Defendant	2 Defendants	3 Defendants
A: Pre-Litigation			

2A: Liability admitted, papers not prepared to start proceedings	£2,900	£3,500	£4,000
2B: Liability admitted, papers prepared to start proceedings	£3,500	£4,000	£4,600
3A: Liability disputed, papers not prepared to start proceedings	£4,000	£4,600	£5,200
3B: Liability disputed, papers prepared to start proceedings	£4,600	£5,200	£5,800
B: Post-Litigation			
L1: On or after the date that the court issues the claim, but before the date that the court allocates the claim under Part 26	Add £1,900	Add £2,300	Add £2,700
L2: On or after the date that the court allocates the claim under Part 26, but before the date that the court lists the claim for trial	Add a further £1,900	Add a further £2,300	Add a further £2,700
L3 On or after the date that the court lists the claim for trial but before the trial	Add a further £2,200	Add a further £2,600	Add a further £3,000

Maximum possible (3B+L1+L2+L3)	£10,600	£12,400	£14,200
C: Trial advocacy fees			
Single fee irrespective of value or number of defendants	£1,600	£1,600	£1,600

II - ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR WORK IN SPECIFIED AREAS ("LONDON WEIGHTING")

The areas referred to in rule 45.3(1) are (within London) the areas served by the County Court hearing centres at Barnet, Brentford, Central London, Clerkenwell and Shoreditch, Edmonton, Ilford, Mayors and City of London, Romford, Wandsworth and Willesden and (outside London) the County Court hearing centres at Bromley, Croydon, Dartford, Gravesend and Uxbridge.