STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1990 No. 327

LAND CHARGES

The Land Charges Fees Rules 1990

Made - - - - 21st February 1990 Coming into force -- 2nd April 1990

The Lord Chancellor with the concurrence of the Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by sections 9(1), 10(2), 16(1) and 17(1) of the Land Charges Act 1972 hereby makes the following Rules:—

Citation, commencement and interpretation

- 1.—(1) These Rules may be cited as the Land Charges Fees Rules 1990 and shall come into force on 2nd April 1990.
 - (2) In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires—

"the Act" means the Land Charges Act 1972;

"credit account" means an account authorised by the Registrar for the purpose of providing credit facilities for the payment of fees;

"fee" means a fee specified in Schedule 1;

"Schedule" means a Schedule to these Rules;.

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NOTE

Definition of "written application" in paragraph (2) revoked by rule 3, Land Charges Fees (Amendment) Rules 2012 with effect from 17 December 2012.

- 2. The fees specified in Schedule 1 shall be payable under the Act.
- 3. [Every fee which accompanies an application shall, except as mentioned in rule 4 or as the Registrar may otherwise allow, be paid in cash or by means of a cheque or postal order crossed and made payable to Land Registry.]

NOTE

Rule substituted by rule 4, Land Charges Fees (Amendment) Rules 2012 with effect from 17 December 2012.

4.—(1) Any person or firm having a credit account may request the Registrar, on any application, to debit the requisite fee to that account.

- (2) When a person or firm having a credit account makes [an application] which is not accompanied by any fee and does not contain a request for the fee to be debited to that account, the Registrar may, if he thinks fit, nevertheless accept the application and debit the fee to that person's or that firm's account.
 - (3) If the Registrar debits a fee to a credit account, this shall be treated as due payment of that fee.
- (4) Credit accounts shall be authorised and maintained in accordance with the provisions set out in Schedule 2.
 - [(5] Where there is an agreement with the applicant, a fee may be paid by direct debit or other means to such bank account of the registry as the Registrar may from time to time direct and payment in this manner shall be treated as due payment of that fee.]

NOTE

Words in square brackets in paragraph (2) substituted by rule 4, Land Charges Fees (Amendment) Rules 1994 with effect from 28 March 1994.

Paragraph 5 inserted by rule 5, Land Charges Fees (Amendment) Rules 2012 with effect from 17 December 2012.

5. The Land Charges Fees Order 1985 so far as made under powers conferred by the Act is hereby revoked.

MacKay of Clashfern, C.

We concur,

David Lightbown Stephen Dorrell

Two of the Lord Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

Dated 21st February 1990

[SCHEDULE 1

Rule 2 Service Amount of Fee 1. Registration, renewal, rectification or cancellation of an entry in £1 any register per name 2. Certificate of cancellation per name £1 3. Entry of priority noticeper name £1 4. Inspection of an entry in the register per entry £1 5. Office copy of an entry in the register (including any plan) £1 per copy 6. Official search in the index (including issue certificate of result):— (a) application within rule 20(1) of the Land Charges Rules 1974 (by pre-paid post, document exchange or delivery by hand) £1 per name (b) application within rule 20(3) of the Land Charges Rules 1974 (by other means of communication)per name £2]

NOTE

Schedule substituted by rule 6, Land Charges Fees (Amendment) Rules 2012 with effect from 17 December 2012.

SCHEDULE 2

Provision of Credit Accounts

Rule 4(4)

- 1. The Registrar may, as he thinks fit, authorise any person or firm to use a credit account for the purpose of the payment of fees but may withdraw or suspend any such authorisation at any time without giving any reason therefor.
- 2. The Registrar may also at any time terminate or suspend all credit accounting facilities generally.
- 3. A statement of account shall be sent by the Registrar to each account holder at the end of each calendar month or at such other period as the Registrar shall direct either in any particular case or generally.
- 4. On receipt of the statement and if no question arises thereon the account holder shall pay by cheque any sum due on his account promptly, and in any event within ten days of its receipt.
- 5. [Cheques shall be made payable to Land Registry and sent to the Accounts Section, Land Charges Department, at the office of the registry specified in a direction pursuant to section 17(2) of the Act.]

NOTE:

Paragraph 5 substituted by rule 7, Land Charges Fees (Amendment) Rules 2012 with effect from 17 December 2012.