Every fee and every deadline, on one page

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COURTS — FEES

Writ or originating process sealed	HK$1,045 HC · HK$630 DC
The same, filed electronically	HK$835 · HK$505
Setting down for trial	HK$1,045 · HK$630
Notice of appeal, and setting down	HK$1,045 each
Copy per page · certified copy per page	HK$4 · HK$5.5
Search of a court file	HK$18
Magistrates' appeal, Forms 101/102 · Court of Appeal, Form XI	No fee · no filing fee

FAMILY COURT — FEES (CAP 179B)

Petition or joint application (Form 2 / 2C)	HK$630
Form A — appointment before a judge	HK$630
Setting down	HK$630 undefended · HK$1,045 defended
Transfer between DC and CFI	HK$1,045
Notice of appeal, and setting down	HK$1,045 each
Forms C, D, E, H1–H4, questionnaire	No separate fee
Typed copy 36/pg · extra copy 4/pg · certified 5.5 · seal 28 · search 18	

PROBATE REGISTRY — FEES

Filing the application, and the grant	HK$265
Engrossment of the grant	HK$72 per page
Caveat HK$72 · withdrawal HK$36 · warning HK$145 (+HK$44 service)	
Appearance to warning, appearance to citation	No fee
Citation to accept or refuse	HK$72 each
Search HK$18 · further grant (double, cessate, de bonis non, duplicate)	HK$145

LAND REGISTRY — FEES

Memorial	HK$305 · HK$605 by consideration
Land search	HK$10 current · HK$25 other
Copy of memorial HK$100 · of Government lease HK$120 · of plans HK$15	
Certification of a document	HK$150
Search of a Memorial Day Book	HK$150

STAMP DUTY

AVD, from 26 Feb 2026 — to 4m	HK$100
— to 4.5m · to 6m · to 9m	1.5% · 2.25% · 3%
— to 20m · to 100m · above	3.75% · 4.25% · 6.5%
Transitional bands just above each step	HK$100 + 20% of excess, or fixed sum + 10%
Adjudication	HK$50
SSD and BSD	Abolished, 28 Feb 2024

COMPANIES REGISTRY — FEES

NNC1 incorporation	HK$1,545 e-filed · HK$1,720 paper
NNC2 change of name	HK$295
NAR1 annual return, on time	HK$105
NAR1 late	HK$870 · 1,740 · 2,610 · 3,480 by band
NM1 charge HK$340 · NM2 satisfaction HK$190	
NN10 / NN12, registered non-HK company	HK$1,425 each
IR1263 clearance before deregistration	HK$270
ND2A, ND2B, ND4, NR1, NSC1, NDR1	No fee
Business registration, one year · three years · branch	HK$2,350 · HK$6,170 · HK$230

WILLS, TRUSTS AND THE EPA

Will: court fee · registration	None · no registry
Probate: application and grant · engrossment	HK$265 · HK$72 per page
Caveat HK$72 · warning HK$145 (+HK$44) · citation HK$72	
Small estate, Home Affairs, HK$50,000 or less	No court fee
EPA: register the instrument at the High Court	HK$440
EPA: medical certificate to solicitor's signature	28 days at most
EPA: nothing may be done before registration	Apply as soon as practicable
Trust deed · funded with shares · with property	No fee · 2 days · 30 days

INSOLVENCY — FEES

Winding-up petition, court fee	HK$1,045
Deposit with the Official Receiver	HK$11,250
Statutory demand	No fee

DEADLINES — COURT

Notice of intention to defend	14 days
Defence · reply	28 days · 14 days
Close of pleadings	14 days after defence or reply
Timetabling questionnaire	28 days after close
Case management summons returnable in	Not less than 14 days
Notice to admit	21 days after setting down
Notice of appeal	28 days
Magistrates' appeal	14 days (judge) · 28 days (CA)
Judicial review	3 months, promptly

DEADLINES — COMPANY

NAR1 annual return	42 days after the anniversary
ND2A · ND2B · ND4 · NR1	15 days
NSC1 return of allotment	1 month
NM1 charge · NM3–NM6 · NM7	1 month · 7 days · 15 days
AGM, private company	9 months after the accounting period ends
Business registration renewal	Before expiry

DEADLINES — PROPERTY, PROBATE, FAMILY

Register a memorial	1 month, to keep priority
Stamp the instrument	30 days
Probate: earliest application	14 days after death
Caveat · appearance to warning	6 months · 8 days
Acknowledgment of service (Form 4)	8 days
Decree nisi to decree absolute	Not before 6 weeks

LIMITATION PERIODS

Simple contract	6 years
Tort, including negligence	6 years
Personal injuries	3 years

Fees checked 14 November 2026 · High Court figures under Cap 4D, District Court under Cap 336C, family under Cap 179B, company under Cap 622 · verify against the current Schedule before quoting a client · educational material, not legal advice.