

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 535

DIPLOMATIC SERVICE

The Consular Fees (Amendment) Order 2013

Made - - - - *13th March 2013*

Coming into force - - *6th April 2013*

At the Court at Buckingham Palace, the 13th day of March 2013

Present,

The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty in Council

Her Majesty, in exercise of the powers conferred on Her by section 1(1), 4(A) and (4B) of the Consular Fees Act 1980⁽¹⁾ is pleased, by and with the advice of Her Privy Council, to order as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Consular Fees (Amendment) Order 2013 and comes into force on 6th April 2013.

2. Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Consular Fees Order 2012⁽²⁾ is amended by substituting for the Table of General Consular Fees the following:

“TABLE OF GENERAL
CONSULAR FEES

Fee	I. LEGALISATION		£
1.	Legalising a signature or seal—		
	(i)	Standard service (in addition to direct costs, if any)	30.00
	(ii)	Premium service (in addition to direct costs, if any)	75.00
	(iii)	Overseas service (in addition to direct costs, if any)	30.00
	II. NOTARIAL AND RELATED MATTERS		£
2.	Preparing any certificate, declaration or document not listed elsewhere in this table		
	(i)	in English	45.00

(1) 1980 c.23. Subsection 1(4A) and (4B) were inserted by the Identity Cards Act 2006 (c.15).

(2) S.I. 2012/798.

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Fee	I. LEGALISATION		£
	(ii)	in any other language	70.00
3.	Signing a declaration of existence (except if required by a department of Her Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom)		15.00
4.	Administering an oath, marking of exhibits or making a declaration or affirmation		55.00
5.	Witnessing a signature		20.00
6.	Making or verifying a copy of a document (including certifying when necessary)		30.00
7.	Uniting documents		20.00
8.	Supplying certified copies of documents which form part of the records of a court which is, or was formerly, established under the Foreign Jurisdiction Acts 1890(3) and 1913(4), for each page		65.00
	III. NATIONALITY		£
9.	Administering an oath of British Citizenship under the British Nationality Act 1981(5)		85.00
	IV. BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, CIVIL PARTNERSHIPS AND DEATHS		£
10.	Receiving notice of an intended marriage, civil partnership or overseas relationship		65.00
11.	Issuing a certificate that no impediment to an intended marriage or civil partnership has been shown to exist, or issuing any local equivalent document for an intended marriage or overseas relationship in accordance with local law		
	(i)	in English	65.00
	(ii)	in any other language	65.00
12.	Solemnising a marriage under the Foreign Marriages Acts 1892(6) and 1947(7) administering oaths to the parties and registering the marriage; or registering a civil partnership under the Civil Partnership (Registration Abroad and Certificates) Order 2005(8)		140.00
13.	Forwarding to the appropriate Registrar General a record of a marriage under the local law or an overseas relationship, together with any necessary certification		35.00
14.	Administering an application for the registration of a birth or a death		105.00
15.	Making an addition to or correction in the consular register as necessary		35.00
16.	Issuing a certified copy of an entry in the consular register		65.00
17.	Making a search (in addition to fee 2(i) or fee 16 where applicable)		

(3) 1890 c.37.

(4) 1913 c.16.

(5) 1981 c.61.

(6) 1892 c.23.

(7) 1947 c.33.

(8) S.I. 2005/2761, as amended by S.I. 2012/3063.

Fee	I. LEGALISATION	£
	(i) in the consular register of births, deaths, marriages or civil partnerships where the number or date of entry is not provided	65.00
	(ii) in the naturalisation, registration or renunciation records kept by a consular officer	80.00
	V. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS	£
18.	Forwarding a request to a local authority for the taking of evidence or the service of a document (including effecting service of a document in relation to proceedings in which State immunity is in issue), and returning any evidence received of service or attempted service of a document (provided by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in proceedings where State immunity is in issue)	130.00
	VI. MARITIME SERVICES	
19.	Providing or administering a service not otherwise covered in this Schedule in relation to shipping, seamen and related matters, for each hour or part hour (to include travel time if performed away from the consular premises) and in addition to direct costs, if any	130.00
	VII. EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	£
20.	Administering an application for, and if successful, providing, an Emergency Travel Document	95.00
21.	Exceptionally, administering an application for, and, if successful, providing an Emergency Passport, on occasions when it is not possible to provide an Emergency Travel Document	75.00
22	Arranging, exceptionally, for currency to be made available against the deposit of funds	
	(i) £0.01-£99.99	10.00
	(ii) £100.00-£499.99	30.00
	(iii) £500.00 or more	80.00
	VIII. OTHER SERVICES	£
23.	Providing the services of a consular officer or a consular employee in relation to any other service which the consular post or diplomatic mission has agreed to undertake, for each hour or part hour (to include travel time if performed away from the consular premises) and in addition to direct costs, if any	130.00”

Richard Tilbrook
Clerk of the Privy Council

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order further amends the Consular Fees Order 2012. The Order substitutes a new Table of General Consular Fees in Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Consular Fees Order 2012. The new table inserts a fee for making a search in:

- (i) the consular register of births, deaths and marriages or civil partnerships where the number or date of entry is not provided.
- (ii) the naturalisation, registration or renunciation records kept by a consular officer.

In other respects the fees in the table remain the same.

A full regulatory impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no impact on the private or voluntary sectors is foreseen.