Apply for help with fees

Reference (office use only)

If you have little or no savings and are on certain benefits or have a low income, you may not have to pay a court or tribunal fee, or you may get some money off.

gov.uk/get-help-with-court-fees

1.	Your personal details	Complete this form using CAPITAL LETTERS.
	Title First and middle names Last name	The information you provide needs to be accurate as it will act as evidence for your application. We'll contact you if we need to see
	Date of birth National Insurance number	proof of this information. Home Office –
	Home Office reference no. (if applicable)	You may have a Home
		Office reference number and not a National Insurance number.
2.	What is your status?	Your status – If your
	SingleMarried, or living with someone and sharing an income	case is against your partner, such as a divorce, dissolution or domestic violence, tick single.
3.	About your application	Do not include your partner's details in the
	Enter the form number (eg N1 or D8) related to this application.	following questions.
	Form no. If no number, briefly describe eg. Small claim hearing fee.	
4.	Do you have a case, claim, appeal or 'notice to pay' number?	Case, claim, appeal or
	☐ No☐ Yes, the case, claim, appeal or 'notice to pay' number is	'notice to pay' number - Find this number on letters from the court or tribunal.

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5.	Are you paying a fee for a probate case?	Probate – These cases are usually about the
	☐ No	property and belongings
	Yes, the name of the deceased is	of someone who has died.
	Date of death	
6.	Have you already paid the fee?	Refunds – You can apply
	□ No	for a refund for a fee paid in the last 3 months.
	Yes, the fee was paid on	If you're applying for a
		refund, answer questions
		7 to 12 about your circumstances at the
7.	How much do you have in savings and investments?	time you paid the fee and
•	(including your partner if you have one)	include proof of payment.
	☐ Less than £3,000 → go to question 9	
8.	Are you (or your partner) 61 or over?	
	No. How much do you have in savings and investments?	Savings – Include all
	(including your partner if you have one)	savings and investments, such as ISAs or capital
	£	value from additional
		property you own.
	Yes. How much do you have in savings and investments? (including your partner if you have one)	If you have £16,000 or
	Less than £16,000	more then you won't be able to get help with your
	£16,000 or more	fees. See page 6 of the
	210,000 of more	guide.

9.	Do you receive any of the benefits listed below?			
	• Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance – not contribution-based JSA			
	• Income-related Employment and Support Allowance – not contribution based ESA			
	Income Support			
	• Universal Credit (and you're earning less than £6,000 a year)			
	Pension Credit (guarantee credit) – not savings credit			
	• Scottish Civil Legal Aid – not Advice and Assistance or Advice by Way of Representation			
	No → go to question 10			
	Yes → go to question 13			
10. Do you or your partner have any children living with you?				
	No Yes, children			
11. Do you or your partner have any other children that you support financially through maintenance payments?				
	☐ No ☐ Yes, ☐ children			

Benefits – If you're receiving any of these benefits, you're likely to get help with your fees.

We'll contact the Department for Work and Pensions to confirm that you are (or were) getting one of these benefits.

If it is a shared benefit in your partner's name, you will need to provide a copy of the shared benefit notice.

Children – A child is a person under 16 years old and up to 19 if in full-time education.

If you answered Yes to Questions 10 or 11, please ensure any Child Benefit, Child Tax Credit or income maintenance payments for them are included in Question 12.

12. What is your total monthly income, before tax and National Insurance? (including your partner if you have one)

Some benefits shouldn't be included – eg. Carer's Allowance, Housing Benefit or childcare element of Working Tax Credit.					
See full list on page 10 of the guide.	Your monthly income	Your partner's monthly income			
Wages (before tax and National Insurance deductions)	£	£			
Child Benefit	£	£			
Working Tax Credit	£	£			
Child Tax Credit	£	£			
Maintenance payments	£	£			
Contribution-based Jobseekers Allowance (JSA)	£	£			
Contribution-based Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)	£	£			
Universal Credit (and you are earning more than £6,000 a year)	£	£			
Pensions (state, work and private)	£	£			
Rent from anyone living with you	£	£			
Rent from other properties you own	£	£			
Other income (please state):	£	£			
Total monthly income	£	£			
If you say you have no income in the table above, please tell us how you support yourself.					

3. Your contact details	
Address	
Postcode	
Email	
Phone	
4. Declaration and statement of truth	Please make sure
I believe that my financial circumstances mean that I may be entitled to help with fees. I declare that the information I have given on this form is correct and complete. I understand that if I have given false information, criminal or civil proceedings may be brought against me.	you have accurately completed all the relevant questions and signed the declaration.
I understand that if I have given false information or I do not provide evidence of the information given in this form if requested, my application may be rejected and the full fee will be payable.	Return your completed form to the court or tribunal
Full name	handling your case or claim.
Signature Date signed	Find contact details for all courts and tribunals at: gov.uk/ find-court-tribunal

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