

Fees for COMAH Services

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Charges for Services – Regulation 27

- Regulation 27(3) – scale of fees in place under 2006 remain in place until such time as it is replaced.
- Regulation 27(1) set out the type of services/functions against which fees could be charged.
- Any new regime for fees had to be introduced in accordance with the Chemicals Act 2008 (Section 10).



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New Fees Regime.

- Proposal for fees has now been agreed by the relevant Ministers with formal approval received in early November.
- Result of benchmarking against other MS (UK, Finland, etc.) and the European Chemicals Agency scale of payments to Member States
- The fee regime is based on a daily rate of 600 Euros (a working day = 7.5hours).



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Function	Initial Charge (€) – based on daily rate of 600 Euros for a working day	5 year significant change /Update(€)	Daily rate of €600 /working day to the maximum number of days below
Notification processing	600	250	
Safety report (incl. pre-op or pre-construction) assessment	6,000	3,000	40 days (first 10 days covered by initial fee)
Major Accident Prevention Policy (MAPP) Assessment (Lower-Tier)	600	300	3 days (first day covered by initial fee)
Provision of generic technical land-use planning advice	3,000	1,500	20 days maximum (first 5 days covered by initial fee)
Significant change under Regulation 12- LUP issues	1,800	N/A	10 days maximum (first 3 days covered by initial fee)
Provision of info to Public via Website	600	600	N/A



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Request by operator to exclude information from safety report	1200	N/A	10 days maximum (first 2 days covered by initial fee)
Art. 20 COMAH Investigation	600	N/A	Daily rate Plus T&S costs. Open-ended
Art. 20 COMAH Inspection	600 per day	N/A	
Special reports (by Inspectors or contracted technical experts)			Daily rate for inspectors At cost for external expert.

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New Fees Regime – Next Steps.

- Full details will be published along with notice to commence charging for services by 1 January 2016
- Fees for inspections will be brought in later
- Cost Review Group to be established by the Authority

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