STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1985 No. 358

LAND CHARGES

The Land Charges Fees Order 1985

Made - - - - -	*27th February* 1985
Coming into Operation	*1st June* 1985

The Lord Chancellor and the Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 16 of the Land Charges Act 1972**(a)** and sections 2 and 3 of the Public Offices Fees Act 1879**(b)**, hereby make and concur in the following Order:—

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Land Charges Fees Order 1985 and shall come into operation on 1st June 1985.

(2) In this Order, 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;

"Schedule" means a schedule to this Order;

"fee" means a fee specified in Schedule 1.

2. The fees specified in Schedule 1 shall be payable under the Act.

3. Unless the Registrar otherwise directs, every fee which accompanies an application shall, except as mentioned in paragraph 4, be paid in cash or by means of a postal order crossed and made payable to H.M. Land Registry.

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 a written 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.

(a) 1972 c. 61. **(b)** 1879 c. 58.

5. The Land Charges Fees Order 1975**(a)** is hereby revoked.

Hailsham of St. Marylebone, C.

Dated 1st February 1985

Tristan Garel-Jones,
A. G. Hamilton,
Two of the Lords Commissioners
of Her Majesty's Treasury.

Dated 27th February 1985

SCHEDULE 1

Fee		*Amount*
1. Registration, renewal, rectification or cancellation of an entry in any register	per name	£1
2. Certificate of cancellation	per name	£1
3. Entry of priority notice	per 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) whether the application is made in writing or by telephone or teleprinter	per copy	£1
6. Official search in the index (including issue of printed certificate of result)—		
written application	per name	50p
telephone application	per name	£1
teleprinter application	per name	£1
7. Official search in the index (including visual display of result of search and issue of printed certificate of such result)	per name	£1

(a) S.I. 1975/1315.

SCHEDULE 2

PROVISION OF CREDIT ACCOUNTS

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 H.M. Land Registry and sent to the Accounts Section, Land Charges Department, Burrington Way, Plymouth, PL5 3LP or at such other address as the Registrar shall direct.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Note is not part of the Order.)

This Order, which replaces the Land Charges Fees Order 1975, prescribes new methods of payment of fees in connection with the registration of land charges and amends the fees payable.

Prepayment of fees by means of Land Registry adhesive stamps is replaced by payment in cash or by postal order. Fees may continue to be paid by means of authorised credit accounts.

With the exception of the fee on a written application for an official search in the index, which remains at 50p, a standard fee of £1 is prescribed for all items.

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