

COURT COSTS AND FEES CHART

Except as noted, this chart is effective August 1, 2007, and applies to all costs assessed or collected on or after that date.

CIVIL, ESTATES AND SP COURT COSTS AND FEES (Reflects Changes Enacted During the 2007 Legislative Session)

ALL CHANGES ARE NOTED IN RED TYPE. Effective date for all changes is August 1, 2007.

- The **IDA fee** has increased to \$3.00 in criminal and civil, but only increased to \$2.05 in Estates and Special Proceedings.
- Charges for copies of non HECON key holders are clarified to be assessed \$2.00 **for the first page of each document** copied by the clerk and \$.25 for each additional page.

Note: Effective July 1, 2008 Counties and municipalities can no longer postpone payment of costs and fees. They must pay costs and fees at the time of filing, not when recouped by the government entity. As is the current practice, court costs are **not** charged or assessed in juvenile cases.

CIVIL	AMOUNT
<u>MAGISTRATES [G.S. §7A-305] (except domestic violence cases¹)</u>	
• General Court of Justice (Includes the \$3.00 IDA fee)	63
• Facilities fee	12
• TOTAL	75
Plus \$15.00 service fee for each item of civil process served by the sheriff	
<u>MAGISTRATES SPECIAL FEES [G.S. §7A-309]</u>	
Performing Marriage Ceremony	20
Petition for Year's Allowance	8
Taking a deposition	10
Proof of execution or acknowledgment of instrument	2
Performing any statutory function, not incident to a civil or criminal	2

¹ No costs may be assessed for the filing, issuance, registration or service of a protective order or a petition for a protective order or witness subpoena under Chapter 50B (Domestic Violence) or 50C (civil no-contact). However, civil district court costs should be assessed for filing a petition for a workplace civil no-contact order filed pursuant to Article 23 of Chapter 95. *See also*, footnote 2.

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<u>DISTRICT COURT [G.S. §7A-305] (except cases ¹under Chapter 50B or 50C)</u>	
• General Court of Justice (Includes the \$3.00 IDA fee)	73
• Facilities fee	16
• TOTAL	89
Plus \$15.00 service fee for each item of civil process served by the sheriff	
Plus Filing for absolute divorce (paid to State Treasurer for Displaced Homemaker fund)	55
Civil District Court Costs are assessed on amendments to original actions filed under 50B unless such amendment also arises under 50B. ²	
<u>SUPERIOR COURT [G.S. §7A-305]</u>	
• General Court of Justice (Includes the \$3.00 IDA fee.)	93
• Facilities fee	16
• TOTAL	109
Plus \$15.00 service fee for each item of civil process served by the sheriff	
Plus Business Court fee upon assignment	200
MISCELLANEOUS FEES AND COMMISSIONS [G.S §7A-308, unless otherwise specified]	AMOUNT
Proceeding supplemental to execution	30
Confession of judgment	25
Taking a deposition	10
Execution	25
Notice of resumption of former name	10
Taking an acknowledgement or administering an oath, or both, with or without seal, each certificate (except that oaths of office shall be administered to public officials without charge)	2
Bond, taking justification or approving	10
Certificate, under seal	3
Exemplification of records	10
Recording or docketing (including indexing) any document	6 for first page; .25 for each additional page or fraction thereof

² For example, if an amended complaint is filed in an existing 50B action, and the amendment adds claims for equitable distribution, divorce, or custody, the party filing the amendment is assessed the civil filing fee of \$73.00.

Preparation of copies ³	2 for first page of each document; .25 for each additional page or fraction thereof
Preparation and docketing of transcript of judgment	10
Substitution of trustee in deed of trust	10
Execution of passport application	The amount allowed by federal law
Criminal record search (except if search is requested by an agency of the State or any of its political subdivisions or by an agency of the United States or by a petitioner in a proceeding under Article 2 of General Statutes Chapter 20)	15
Filing the affirmations, acknowledgments, agreements and resulting orders entered into under the provisions of G.S. §§110-132 and 110-133	6
Filing a motion to assert a right of access under G.S. §1-72.1	30
Motion for out of state attorney to appear in NC courts in a civil or criminal matter [G.S. §84-4.1]. \$200 to State Treasurer and \$25 to North Carolina State Bar	\$225
Family Court Supervision fee. [G.S. §7A-314.1]	30

³ Pursuant to the new §7A-308(b1), court appointed attorneys are exempt from the copying fees.