

## LEGAL COSTS AS OF 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024

### Magistrates Court COMPLAINT ISSUE

	Total Costs	Court Fee (GST Exempt)	Service Fee	Solicitor Fees (incl. Certificates)
<b>Debt</b>				
Up to \$499	\$624.20	\$162.20	\$86.00	\$376.00
\$500 - \$999	\$999.20	\$162.20	\$86.00	\$751.00
\$1,000 - \$4,999	\$1,175.70	\$338.70	\$86.00	\$751.00
\$5,000 - \$7,499	\$1,334.70	\$338.70	\$86.00	\$910.00
\$7,500 - \$9,999	\$1,520.70	\$338.70	\$86.00	\$1,096.00
\$10,000 - \$19,999	\$1,697.20	\$515.20	\$86.00	\$1,096.00
\$20,000 - \$39,999	\$1,963.20	\$515.20	\$86.00	\$1,362.00
\$40,000 - \$69,999	\$2,484.70	\$772.70	\$86.00	\$1,626.00
\$70,000 - \$100,000	\$2,808.70	\$772.70	\$86.00	\$1,950.00

**NB:** Where a debtor is a Company the service fee is \$15.00.

Where the debtor is an individual, attempted service fee charges of \$59.00 for each attempt may apply together with \$0.81 per Kilometer in travel fees.

Photocopy fees may be charged by our process server at 60 cents (plus GST) per page for the Court Process required to be printed and served (normally around 20 pages).

Where the debtor is in regional Victoria or interstate, an additional country or interstate handling and/or service fee may apply, depending upon the whereabouts of the defendant.

**In relation to debts up to \$10,000.00, Solicitor's costs are deferred until a result or any payment is obtained. If there is no result, Solicitor's costs on the complaint are not charged. Solicitor's costs of only \$250 will be charged if the matter is defended. The remaining balance of these costs is only charged to you if they are recovered from the debtor.**

Request for order	Total Costs	Court Fee (GST Exempt)	Solicitor Fees
Debt Up to \$100,000	\$101.70	\$47.70	\$54.00
Business Search - if account goes legal			\$ 45.00 (\$20.00 recoverable)
Company Search - if account goes legal			\$ 26.10 (recoverable)
Field Calls in Victoria			\$140.00
Field Calls – Interstate			\$180.00
Skip Trace – if successful			\$340.00
- if unsuccessful			\$215.00
Mercantile Enquiry Listing			\$95.00

<b>WARRANT</b>	<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>Court fee (GST Exempt)</b>	<b>Solicitors Costs</b>	<b>Sheriff's Fee</b>
Up to \$499	\$304.10	\$19.10	\$67.00	\$218.00
\$500 - \$4999	\$375.10	\$19.10	\$138.00	\$218.00
\$5000 - \$7499	\$400.10	\$19.10	\$163.00	\$218.00
\$7500 - \$19,999	\$442.10	\$19.10	\$205.00	\$218.00
\$20,000 - \$39,999	\$494.10	\$19.10	\$257.00	\$218.00
\$40,000 - \$69,999	\$545.10	\$19.10	\$308.00	\$218.00
\$70,000 - \$100,000	\$599.10	\$19.10	\$362.00	\$218.00

**Magistrates Court  
ORAL EXAMINATION**

	<b>Total Costs</b>	<b>Court &amp; Hearing Fee</b>	<b>Service Fee</b>	<b>Solicitors Fee</b>
Debt				
Up to \$499	\$266.30	\$111.30	\$86.00	\$69.00
\$500 - \$4,999	\$362.30	\$111.30	\$86.00	\$165.00
\$5000 - \$7499	\$397.30	\$111.30	\$86.00	\$200.00
\$7500 - \$19,999	\$417.30	\$111.30	\$86.00	\$220.00
\$20,000 - \$39,999	\$476.30	\$111.30	\$86.00	\$279.00
\$40,000 - \$69,999	\$535.30	\$111.30	\$86.00	\$338.00
\$70,000 - \$100,000	\$590.30	\$111.30	\$86.00	\$393.00

Attempted service fees and mileage will be charged in accordance with the Magistrates' Court scale. Additional service fees will apply where service is effected in Country Victoria and where the debtor is outside Victoria.

**A fee for conduct money will also apply depending on the location of the Defendant.**