

Coroners (Pathologists Fees) Regulations 2007

Anand Satyanand, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 18th day of June 2007

Present:

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to section 140 of the Coroners Act 2006, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following regulations.

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Regulations

1 Title

These regulations are the Coroners (Pathologists Fees) Regulations 2007.

2 Commencement

These regulations come into force on 1 July 2007.

3 Interpretation

In these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,— Act means the Coroners Act 2006

applicable determination means a determination that—

- (a) is made under regulation 5(2) of the Witnesses and Interpreters Fees Regulations 1974; and
- (b) defines a class of expert witnesses that is or includes pathologists; and
- (c) is in force when the pathologist, in his or her capacity as a pathologist, gives evidence strictly as an expert at an inquest held under the Act

range of expert witness fees means a range of that kind set out in clause 1(1) of the Schedule of the Witnesses and Interpreters Fees Regulations 1974.

4 Fee for giving expert evidence at inquest under Act

- (1) A fee of the kind and amount specified in subclause (2) is payable to a pathologist who—
 - (a) has performed a post-mortem under the Act; and
 - (b) in his or her capacity as a pathologist, gives evidence strictly as an expert at an inquest held under the Act.
- (2) The fee is payable in addition to any fees payable in respect of the post-mortem under regulation 5, and is a fee of—
 - (a) the amount, within the relevant range of expert witness fees, at which pathologists who give evidence strictly as experts are to be paid under the applicable determination (if any); or
 - (b) if there is no applicable determination, the amount at the top of the relevant range of expert witness fees.

5 Other fees

A fee of the amount specified in the third column of the table in the Schedule is payable to a pathologist for performing under the Act a function specified—

- (a) in the second column of that table; and
- (b) in the same row of that table as that amount.

6 GST included

The fees prescribed by these regulations are inclusive of any goods and services tax.

7 Revocation

- (1) The Coroners (Fees) Regulations 1992 (SR 1992/66) are revoked.
- (2) The revocation effected by subclause (1) is subject to clauses 5 and 10 of Schedule 3 of the Act.

Schedule Table of fees

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Row	Function under Act	Fee (\$)
1	A post-mortem (including all conferences with the coroner and the New Zealand Police, and all reports to the coroner on the post-mortem and its results)	750.00
2	Preparation and examination of all histological specimens (if any) in connection with a post-mortem	67.33
3	Typing, and all other secretarial work (if any), associated with a post-mortem	27.33
4	An examination (not amounting to a post-mortem)	100.00
5	A function for which no other fee is prescribed by these regulations	19.00
6	 A post-mortem (in addition to the fee in row 1) if either or both of the following apply: (a) the coroner has, in accordance with section 37 of the Act, directed the pathologist to perform the post-mortem immediately: (b) the post-mortem or any work associated with it is, or both are, done outside normal working hours 	180.00
7	A laboratory test associated with a post-mortem	22.34

Rebecca Kitteridge, for Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

This note is not part of the regulations, but is intended to indicate their general effect.

These regulations, which come into force on 1 July 2007, are made under the Coroners Act 2006. They prescribe fees for pathologists who perform functions, or who give evidence for the purposes of an inquiry conducted, or at an inquest held, under that Act.

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