



Disputes Tribunals (Fees) Amendment Rules 2013

Jerry Mateparae, Governor-General

Order in Council

At Wellington this 20th day of May 2013

Present:

His Excellency the Governor-General in Council

Pursuant to section 60 of the Disputes Tribunals Act 1988, His Excellency the Governor-General, acting on the advice and with the consent of the Executive Council, makes the following rules.

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Rules

- 1 Title**
These rules are the Disputes Tribunals (Fees) Amendment Rules 2013.

2 Commencement

These rules come into force on 1 July 2013.

3 Principal rules

These rules amend the Disputes Tribunals Rules 1989 (the **principal rules**).

4 Rule 5 replaced (Fees)

Replace rule 5 with:

“5 Fees

- “(1) The following fee is payable to the Tribunal at the time of the lodging of a claim:
- “(a) \$45, if the total amount in respect of which an order of a Tribunal is sought under the claim is less than \$2,000:
 - “(b) \$90, if the total amount in respect of which an order of a Tribunal is sought under the claim is \$2,000 or more but less than \$5,000:
 - “(c) \$180, if the total amount in respect of which an order of a Tribunal is sought under the claim is \$5,000 or more.
- “(2) No fee is payable in respect of any claim lodged under rule 26(3)(b).
- “(3) The fees prescribed by this rule are inclusive of goods and services tax.”

Rebecca Kitteridge,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Explanatory note

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

These rules, which come into force on 1 July 2013, replace rule 5 of the Disputes Tribunals Rules 1989 (the **principal rules**) to adjust the fees payable to a Disputes Tribunal at the time of the lodging of a claim.

The principal rules set 3 different fees for claims to the Disputes Tribunal, depending on the amount that is sought under a claim. These rules increase each of the fees and also adjust the amounts to which the first 2 fees apply.

The first fee is increased from \$36.50 to \$45 and amended so that it applies to claims for less than \$2,000 (rather than claims for less than \$1,000).

The second fee is increased from \$60.40 to \$90 and amended so that it applies to claims for \$2,000 or more but less than \$5,000 (rather than claims for \$1,000 or more but less than \$5,000).

The third fee is increased from \$120.80 to \$180 and continues to apply to claims of \$5,000 or more.

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