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Introduction

The European order for payment procedure (Regulation (EC) No [1896/2006](#), which entered into force on 12 December 2008) allows creditors to recover their uncontested cross-border civil and commercial claims under a uniform procedure that operates on the basis of standard forms. The procedure does not require the parties to attend court. The Regulation applies between all EU Member States with the exception of Denmark.

The Council for the Judiciary (Raad voor de rechtspraak) has designated the District Court of The Hague (*Rechtbank Den Haag*) as the sole district court competent to handle European Payment Order cases. If a statement of opposition is lodged, the proceedings may be continued in accordance with the ordinary rules of territorial jurisdiction.

To lodge an application under the European Payment Order procedure, Form A must be used. The form is available in all languages of the European Union on the European Commission's [website](#).

The form

Applications may be lodged with the District Court of The Hague in Dutch only.

Applications under the European Payment Order procedure may be sent to:

Rechtbank Den Haag
Sector civiel recht
Algemene Zaken
Postbus 20302
2500 EH Den Haag

For more information please call the court's General Affairs registry (*griffie Algemene Zaken*). The telephone number of the court's General Affairs registry is: +31 (0)70-381 22 64.

What fees are applicable?

The fees depend on the amount of the principal claim. See also: [How much shall I pay?](#)

How much shall I pay?

An overview of the [fees applicable for 2024](#) is set out below.

	Court fee for non-natural persons	Court fee for natural persons	Court fee for persons of limited means
Claim not exceeding €500	€130.00	€87.00	€87.00
Claim for an amount exceeding €500 but not exceeding €1 500	€328.00	€218.00	€87.00
Claim for an amount exceeding €1 500 but not exceeding €2 500	€372.00	€248.00	€87.00
Claim for an amount exceeding €2 500 but not exceeding €5 000	€496.00	€248.00	€87.00
Claim for an amount exceeding €5 000 but not exceeding €12 500	€524.00	€248.00	€87.00
Claim for an amount exceeding €12 500 but not exceeding €25 000	€1 409.00	€706.00	€87.00
Claim for an amount exceeding €25 000 but not exceeding €100 000	€2 889.00	€1 325.00	€87.00
Claim for an amount exceeding €100 000 but not exceeding €1 000 000	€6 617.00	€2 626.00	€87.00
<p>NB: the following category is NOT applied when a natural person is a party to the case (see Article 3(6) of the Court Fees (Civil Cases) Act (<i>Wet griffierechten burgerlijke zaken</i>)). In that case, the category 'Cases relating to a claim for an amount exceeding €100 000 but not exceeding €1 000 000' is applied to all parties.</p>			
Claim for an amount exceeding €1 000 000	€9 825.00	€2 626.00	€87.00

For more information please see [Rechtspraak.nl](https://rechtspraak.nl) (Judicial system Netherlands) and [Legal Aid Board \(Raad voor Rechtsbijstand\)](https://www.raadvoorrechtsbijstand.nl).

What happens if I do not pay the court fees on time?

If the court fees are not paid on time, the application may not be taken any further and the case will be dismissed.

How can I pay the court fees?

The applicant receives an invoice for payment of the court fees. Payment can be made by bank transfer.

What shall I do after the payment?

After paying the court fees you should wait for further information from the District Court of The Hague.

The Regulation creating a European order for payment procedure stipulates that the court must issue a European order for payment as soon as possible and normally within 30 days of the lodging of the application.

Related links

[Fees applicable for 2024](#)

[Rechtspraak.nl](https://rechtspraak.nl)

[Legal Aid Board \(Raad voor Rechtsbijstand\)](https://www.raadvoorrechtsbijstand.nl)

[Regulation \(EC\) No 1896/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2006 creating a](#)

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