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Application for Reduction of Court Fees on the basis of financial hardship

Family Law Regulations 11B
Federal Magistrates Regulation 9

Notice to applicant

For approval for a fee to be reduced, you will need to show that your income, day-to-day living expenses, liabilities and assets are at such a level that payment of the full fee would cause you financial hardship.

In considering your application the Court may ask you to provide documentary evidence to support your claim. In this case your application will be returned to you with instructions as to what further information you need to provide in the 'Notice of request for more information' on page 3 of this form.

If you are applying for a filing fee to be reduced, then this form and the reduced fee must be lodged at the same time as the application being filed.

If you are applying for a setting down fee or hearing fee to be reduced, then these forms must be lodged once the hearing date is set. Your hearing date will be set at either a directions hearing or at a court hearing.

An approval for fee reduction is valid only for the fee you are applying to have reduced. If a further fee is payable you will need to reapply, if you wish to receive further reductions.

- **Cross boxes where applicable. Type or print clearly.**
- **Attach an extra page if you need more space for any of the details requested**
- **A fee of \$60.00 is payable at time of lodgment. If your application for a reduced fee is unsuccessful, you will need to pay the remaining amount of the fee before your forms will be accepted.**
- **Please note: A reduction is not applicable to the filing fee for Consent Orders.**

*NOTE: Reductions only apply to court fees and **do not** apply to fees to serve documents on a person*

A Details

1 Name and address

family name (surname)

given names

post code telephone

2 Fee for which reduction is sought

Family Court

Federal Magistrates Court

Form: Application (including divorce) Response Setting Down fee
Hearing fee Other

Appeal: to Full Court from court of summary jurisdiction

3 Number of people who are dependent on you (this may include a dependent spouse and any children under 18)

Number

4 Have you previously made an application for reduced fees on the basis of financial hardship?

Yes

No

5 If yes, have your circumstances changed?

Yes

No

**If yes, please continue with this application.
If no, please go to Part G.**

