

Notice to Credit Providers

Payment of fees for initial registration with the National Credit Regulator

22 December 2006

Dear Sir/Madam

This is a notice to credit providers for payment of the application and initial registration fees prescribed in terms of Regulation 949 (Government Gazette No. 29245, dated 21 September 2006)

1. Payment of the application fee and initial registration fee must be made within 20 business days from the receipt of this Notice for applications already submitted by 21 September 2006.
2. Application fee is R500.00 per schedule 2, paragraph 2 of the regulations.
3. Initial registration fee is calculated as per Schedule 2, paragraph 3 (1).
4. Fees may be deposited in the bank account of the National Credit Regulator, paid by electronic transfer to the bank account of the National Credit Regulator or by cheque.
5. Payment must be made to: *National Credit Regulator (Name in full)*
Current Account No. 200456490
Bank: Standard Bank of South Africa
Branch: Parktown
Branch Code: 000355
6. The application number of the credit provider must be reflected as the reference number on the deposit slip or on the payment details of the electronic transfer.
7. If payment is by cheque, this must be delivered to the office of the National Credit Regulator, or sent by registered mail to P.O. Box 209, Halfway House, 1685. The tracking number must be recorded on the attached Annexure.
8. We strongly recommend payment by electronic transfer or direct deposit. *Cash payment directly to the National Credit Regulator is not acceptable.*
9. The attached Annexure must be faxed or posted to the National Credit Regulator at the time of payment of the fees.
10. For any enquiries, kindly contact 011 554 2765/2766.

Annexure : Confirmation of payment of fees

Fax to : National Credit Regulator

Fax number : 011-805 4835

1. Details of Credit Provider

Name of credit provider																									
Application number																									
Application Date																			/			/	2	0	0
Contact person (Name)																									
Contact telephone number																									

2. Payment details

Amount paid in Rands (R) :			
Direct Deposit	Electronic transfer	Cheque attached	Cheque sent by registered mail

Please cross with an X the method used

Tracking number for cheques sent by registered mail																								
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3. Basis of calculation of fees paid

(A) Application fee, as per Schedule 2, paragraph 2.	R500.00
(B) Initial Registration fee:	R
(i) Per Schedule 2, paragraph 3(1)(a)(i), which is based upon the total principal debt as at the date of application for registration, being ___/___/_____, of R <input type="text"/>	
(ii) Per Schedule 2, paragraph 3(1)(a)(ii), branch fee of R250.00 which is based upon a number of branches of <input type="text"/>	R
TOTAL	R

The applicant confirms that the information contained herein is true and correct.

Date	:
Duly Authorised Representative (Name)	:
Signature	:
Designation	:

[This must be faxed to the National Credit Regulator once payment has been made]

SCHEDULE 2**1. Definitions**

In this Notice-

"consumer credit enquiries" include

(a) any report containing consumer credit information that is issued by a credit bureaux, and

(b) any extraction of information from the record of consumer credit information of a particular consumer;

(c) where such a report or extraction is issued or information provided to a person for payment, as envisaged in section 43(1) of the Act;

but do not include

(i) an extraction of information for the purpose of doing research relating to the development of a score card for a credit bureaux or any other person; or

(ii) an extraction of information for the purpose of providing a report to the National Credit Regulator;

"the Act" means the National Credit Act, 2005 (Act No. 34 of 2005);

"the Regulations" means the Regulations made in terms of the National Credit Act, 2005 (Act No. 34 of 2005);

"total principal debt" means total principal debt owed to that credit provider under all outstanding credit agreements, other than incidental credit agreements, as per section 40(1)(b) of the Act.

2. Application fee prescribed in terms of section 51(1)(a)

The prescribed application fee in terms of section 51(1)(a) of the Act is R500,

(a) is payable by each applicant upon application for registration as a credit provider or a credit bureaux, but

(i) is not payable upon application for registration as a debt counsellor; and

(ii) is not payable upon application for supplementary registration to provide developmental credit, as per section 41 of the Act;

(b) must be paid to the National Credit Regulator

(i) upon submission of the application for registration, or

(ii) within 20 business days from receipt of notice from the National Credit Regulator for payment of the application fee, for applications already submitted by the date of publication of this Notice;

(c) must be paid by cheque made out to the National Credit Regulator, or by electronic transfer to the bank account of the National Credit Regulator.

3. Initial registration fee prescribed in terms of section 51(1)(b)

3(1)(a) The prescribed initial registration fee for registration as a credit provider in terms of section 40 of the Act is

(i) the amount as indicated in Table A for each sub-category of registrant, plus;

(ii) a branch fee of R250 per location or premises at or from which the applicant conducts registered activities in its own name, as per section 51(2) and section 40(2)(c) of the Act, subject to the total amount of the branch fees for all the branches of the applicant being limited to the total of the fee as per 3(1)(a) for the particular registrant;

Table A

Category: Credit Providers	Fee
1. Total principal debt equal or greater than R15 billion	R300,000
2. Total principal debt equal or greater than R5 billion, but less than R15 billion	R180,000 plus 0.001% of the amount by which the total principal debt exceeds R5 billion.
3. Total principal debt equal or greater than R1 billion, but less than R5 billion	R60,000 plus 0.003% of the amount by which the total principal debt exceeds R1 billion.
4. Total principal debt equal or greater than R100 million, but less than R1 billion	R15,000 plus 0.005% of the amount by which the total principal debt exceeds R100 million.
5. Total principal debt equal or greater than R5 million, but less than R100 million	R6,000 plus 0.01% of the amount by which the total principal debt exceeds R5 million.
6. Total principal debt equal or greater than R1 million, but less than R5 million	R2,000 plus 0.1% of the amount by which the total principal debt exceeds R1 million.
7. Total principal debt less than R1 million	R1,500

(b) The total principal debt for purpose of determining the applicable initial registration fee for the particular credit provider must be based upon the total principal debt as at the date of the application for registration;

(c) For the purpose of determining the initial registration fee, the National Credit Regulator may, at its sole discretion

- (i) allocate a credit provider to a lower sub-category than the category determined by the total principal debt of the particular credit provider or apply a reduced registration fee to the particular applicant, upon receipt of a motivation submitted by the credit provider, showing cause for allocation of the credit provider to such a different category or for such a reduction;
 - (ii) reduce the initial registration fee by a proportion of any registration fee paid by the credit provider to the Micro Finance Regulatory Council in the preceding 12 months;
- (d) A further branch fee of R250 per location or premises is payable upon submission of an application for an increase in branches if, during the first year of registration, the applicant wishes to increase the number of locations or premises at or from which it conducts registered activities in its own name.