



# Superior Court of California County of Orange

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## **NOTICE TO COURT COMMUNITY NEW, REVISED AND CLARIFIED CIVIL FEES ORANGE COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2008**

The Judicial Council of California has announced that new, revised, and clarified civil fees will go into effect in the state's trial courts effective January 1, 2008. Assembly Bill 1248 (Chapter 738, Statutes of 2007) makes technical and clarifying changes to the Uniform Civil Fees and Standard Fee Schedule Act, which, among other things, streamlined and simplified civil fees by rolling the current varied surcharges and add-on fees into one filing fee. The changes in the court fees were designed to create statewide consistency in filing fees and to help ensure stable funding, while maintaining access and continuing a high level of public service in the California trial courts.

Key fee changes include:

- New fees for amending small claims filings;
- New fees for amending complaints and cross-complaints in limited civil cases;
- New fees for writ of petition in limited civil cases;
- Revised fees for appeals in limited civil cases;
- Clarification of when fees do or do not apply in various probate filings; and
- Change in the payment of the graduated probate fees.

Each superior court will begin collecting the new, revised, and clarified fees effective January 1, 2008.

A complete fee schedule including local fees set by the Court will be posted shortly on the Orange County Court Website at <http://www.occourts.org> and will also be available at the clerk's office at each court location. The highlighted sections on the UCF reflect the changes that will take effect on January 1, 2008.

The revised uniform statewide fee schedule (without local fee listings) can be found on the California Courts Web site at <http://www.courtinfo.ca.gov/courtadmin/civilfees.htm>. Information about applicable local fees and answers to specific questions can also be obtained at the clerk's office.