

## No. 15 OF 1944.

A LAW TO CONSOLIDATE THE PROVISIONS RELATING TO  
FEES AND CHARGES LEVIED AND TAKEN IN THE  
DEPARTMENT OF LAND REGISTRATION AND SURVEYS.C. C. WOOLLEY,  
*Governor.*

[29th April, 1944.]

**B**E it enacted by His Excellency the Governor and  
Commander-in-Chief of the Colony of Cyprus as  
follows :—

1. This Law may be cited as the Immovable Property  
(Registration and Survey Fees and Charges) Law, 1944. Short title.

2. The several fees and charges set out in the First  
Schedule hereto shall be levied and taken in respect of the  
several matters therein set out in such manner as may be  
prescribed from time to time by the Director of Land  
Registration and Surveys, and the same shall, when levied  
and taken, form part of the Revenue of the Colony :

Fees and  
charges in  
the First  
Schedule to  
be levied  
and taken  
in respect of  
the several  
matters  
therein set  
out.

Provided that the Governor in Council may delete or reduce any such fee or charge, or increase the same by an amount not exceeding one half thereof.

No fee or annual charge upon registration of immovable property acquired by inheritance.  
Repeal.

3. From and after the date of the coming into operation of this Law, no fee or annual charge shall be taken or levied upon the registration of a title to immovable property acquired by inheritance.

4. The Laws and public instruments and other enactments set out in the first column of the Second Schedule shall be repealed to the extent specified in the second column of the said Schedule.

Date of commencement.

5. This Law shall come into force on the 1st day of May, 1944.

#### FIRST SCHEDULE.

(Section 2.)

#### Table of Fees and Charges to be levied and taken in the Department of Land Registration and Surveys, in matters relating to immovable property of any category.

1. Certificate of registration of title, mortgage, or of record of charge, or court order .. .. . 1s.
2. Documents—
  - (a) for preparing a copy, per 100 words or less .. .. . 5p.
  - (b) for certifying a copy, per 100 words or less .. .. . 3p.
3. Evidence before any Court or person entitled to summon witnesses— for production of documents or evidence based on office records—
  - (a) if by a clerk stationed in the town or village in which the Court or such person is sitting .. .. . 3s.
  - (b) in other cases, clerk's pay plus travelling expenses.

The Director may in his discretion allow a refund for payments made under paragraphs (a) and (b): Provided that a refund shall be made in respect of any travelling expenses not incurred.
4. Leases under the Public Lands (Leases) Laws, 1882 and 1936—
  - (a) on registration, including one true copy of the lease, per donum or part thereof .. .. . 10s.
  - (b) for every subsequent copy:
    - (i) on the first 200 words .. .. . 5s.
    - (ii) for every further 100 words or part thereof .. .. . 1s.
5. Local enquiries—
  - (a) in the course of an ordinary tour reckoned per town or village, and in respect of each application:
    - (i) initial fee .. .. . 5s.
    - (ii) plus, per parcel of property or assessment involved 6p.

Where the same applicant makes another application in respect of the same village before the Local Enquiry Clerk leaves his station to attend to the first application only half the initial fee will be charged in respect of the later application.
  - (b) as an accelerated inquiry, as under paragraph (a) plus such extra charge as the Director may determine, having regard to the clerk's pay and travelling expenses.

11 of 1882.  
43 of 1936.

- (c) where the fee if reckoned under paragraph (a) would in the Director's opinion be excessive, such charge as the Director may determine having regard to the clerk's pay and travelling expenses.
6. Mortgages—  
on registration, on the amount secured, payable by the mortgagor . . . . . 1 per cent.
7. Plan fees—  
(a) for preparing a plan for an applicant :  
(i) where the value of the property is less than £20 .. 2s.  
(ii) where the value of the property is £20 or more but less than £30 .. .. . 2s. 5p.  
(iii) where the value of the property is £30 or more but less than £40 .. .. . 3s.  
(iv) where the value of the property is £40 or more but less than £50 .. .. . 4s.  
(v) where the value of the property is £50 or more but less than £60 .. .. . 5s.  
(vi) where the value of the property is £60 and upwards 6s.  
(b) for verifying a plan made outside the Department of Land Registration and Surveys .. .. . 2s.  
(c) for a copy of a plan made in the Department of Land Registration and Surveys, a charge determined by the Director according to size, with a minimum fee of .. .. . 1s.
8. Registration of title by—  
(1) undisputed adverse possession :  
(i) where the value does not exceed £500 .. .. 3 per cent.  
(ii) where it exceeds £500 but not £1,500 .. .. 4 per cent.  
(iii) where it exceeds £1,500 .. .. . 5 per cent.  
(2) transfer of title payable by the transferee :  
(a) upon exchange, reckoned on value of property taken by each party :  
(i) where value does not exceed £500 .. .. 1½ per cent.  
(ii) where it exceeds £500 but not £1,500 .. .. 2 per cent.  
(iii) where it exceeds £1,500 .. .. . 2½ per cent.  
(b) upon gift or sale from parent to child reckoned on the value of the property :  
(i) where the value does not exceed £500 .. .. 1½ per cent.  
(ii) where the value exceeds £500 but not £1,500 .. 2 per cent.  
(iii) where the value exceeds £1,500 .. .. 2½ per cent.  
(c) upon gift, other than from parent to child, reckoned on the value of the property :  
(i) where the value does not exceed £500 .. .. 3 per cent.  
(ii) where the value exceeds £500 but not £1,500 .. 4 per cent.  
(iii) where the value exceeds £1,500 .. .. 5 per cent.  
(d) upon sale, other than from parent to child, reckoned on the sale price :  
(i) where the sale price does not exceed £500 .. .. 3 per cent.  
(ii) where the sale price exceeds £500 but not £1,500 4 per cent.  
(iii) where the sale price exceeds £1,500 .. .. 5 per cent.
9. Sales by auction—  
(a) for acceptance of document authorizing sale .. 3s.  
(b) for preparing notices of sale :  
(i) where value of properties to be sold does not exceed £10 .. .. . 3s.  
(ii) for every additional £10 or part thereof .. .. 1s.  
Provided that the total fee shall not exceed 10s.

- (c) for a statement of account of sale:
- (i) for the judgment debtor where the sale is for less than £25 .. .. . 4½*p.*
- (ii) in other cases .. .. . 1*s.*
10. Searches—
- (a) of properties registered in the name of a person, per village or quarter for each certificate or copy thereof initial fee .. .. . 3*s.*  
Plus for every registration entered in the certificate .. .. . 1*p.*
- (b) of properties assessed in the name of a person, per village or quarter .. .. . 8*p.*
- (c) in other cases, such fee as may be determined by the Director of Land Registration and Surveys either under paragraph (a) or having regard to the clerk's pay, as he may think fit.
11. Survey fees—  
for the services of a surveyor and chainman and the time spent on the computation and preparation of plans per day .. .. . £1.
12. Transmission fees payable by the transferee or the mortgagor—  
per declaration of a transfer or mortgage made in one district for transmission to another district .. .. 1*s.*
- In this Schedule—  
“value” means the registered value or, where there is no such value, the value determined under the proviso to section 4 of the Immovable Property Tax Laws, 1932 to 1942.

18 of 1932  
13 of 1934  
48 of 1934  
20 of 1942

SECOND SCHEDULE.  
(Section 4.)

Enactments repealed.	Extent of repeal.
1. The Tapu Law of 8 Jemazi-ul-Akhir, 1275 .. ..	Sections 6 and 7.
2. Regulations Regarding Tapu Seneds of 7 Shaban, 1276.	Sections 3, 8, 9, 10 and 13.
3. Regulations of 25 Ramazan, 1281 .. .. .	Sections 4, 5, 6, 12 and 13.
4. Law of 28 Redjeb, 1291 .. .. .	Sections, 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 20 and 21.
5. Law of 4 Redjeb, 1292 .. .. .	Section 5.
6. The Public Lands (Leases) Laws, 1882 and 1936 ..	Section 11.
7. The Land Transfer Laws, 1890 to (No. 2) 1943 ..	Section 9 and the Second Schedule.
8. The Immovable Property Registration and Valuation Laws, 1907 to 1943.	Sections 28 and 29.
9. Rules of Sale, 1923 to 1943 .. .. .	Rules 14 (1) and (2) and 15.

H. M. FOOT,  
*Colonial Secretary.*

29th April, 1944.