



Recommended fees for forensic radiography

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Forensic radiography covers examinations both of cadavers and pathological specimens which are required for official purposes in determining disease and nature of death. It also covers live subjects undergoing radiographic examinations for forensic purposes, such as suspected non-accidental injury, gunshot wounds, Customs and Excise and Prison Service requests.

The fees for conducting forensic examinations should be paid on the following scale, dependent on:

- whether or not the examination takes place within the radiographer's normal working department;
- whether or not the examination takes place during or outside normal working hours;
- the length of the examination.

The fees have been calculated in line with the annual percentage increases to radiographers' pay since 1985 and should be index-linked to annual pay increases in future years.

The basic fee (£97.20 in the following table) is enhanced in circumstances where the radiographer is working outside the normal department or outside normal working hours. The enhancement is calculated in line with the calculation of the hourly rate for on-call/standby given in the PT'A' Whitley Council Handbook, i.e. hourly rate plus 50%.

If a single examination exceeds one hour in length, the fee becomes an hourly one.

Recommended fees for forensic examinations 2016/2017

For examination in normal working department during working time

Fee per cadaver/ per hour* £98.17

Total £98.17

For examination during normal working time in a different department

Fee per cadaver/ per hour* £147.29

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Total £147.29

For examination outside normal working time - weekdays

Fee per cadaver/ per hour* £147.29

Call-out allowance (on-call allowance) £11.87

Total £159.16

For examination outside normal working time - public/statutory holidays

Fee per cadaver/ per hour* £147.29

Call-out allowance (on-call allowance) £23.80

Total £171.09

For examination outside normal working time - weekend

Fee per cadaver/ per hour* £147.29

Call-out allowance (on-call allowance) £17.72

Total £165.01

*The above rates apply to examinations lasting one hour or less. Should an examination exceed one hour in length, the rate becomes an hourly rate. This rate should be increased in line with radiographers' annual increases in pay.

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