

4. Update on the implementation of New Fee Regulation (EU) 2024/568

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Goal of the meeting & Contents





Provide an overview of:

- The new fee regulation
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Introduction & background to the new fee regulation

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Regulation review cycle background





EU Regulations usually have a **10-year review cycle**.



The review of the general EMA fee system was due in 2010 but had to be re-prioritised due to the revision of the EU pharmacovigilance legislation, which triggered a targeted new legal proposal for PhV fees.



Since 2015, the
European
Commission has
been working on the
review of the EMA
fee system, in
consultation with
EMA (including a
"Data Gathering"
exercise) and NCAs.



In December 2022,
EC published its
proposal for a
revised EMA Fee
Regulation. This
proposal was
reviewed the
European Parliament
and European
Council through the
ordinary legislative
procedure.



FP and Council

agreed on the revised EMA Fee Regulation in Sept 2023. Final adoption and formal publication on 7 February 2024 - Regulation (EU) 2024/568 with implementation date 1st January 2025.

Drivers for a new fee regulation and new state from 1st Jan 2025

Currently, fees charged by EMA are laid down in two regulations:

- Council Regulation (EC) No 297/95 on the general fees for the Agency (CAPs only, human and veterinary medicines)
- Regulation (EU) No 658/2014 for pharmacovigilance activities (CAPs+NAPs, human only)

Need for harmonisation and updates

Future state



The remuneration: single Union remuneration amount per relevant type of fee.

The fees payable to the Agency

- will be proportionate to the work carried out
- will **be based on the workload and actual costs** for the services delivered by EMA and NCA (Network remuneration based on hours recorded and roles of rapporteur / co-rapporteur)



The fees paid to the Agency will reflect the complex evaluations and recognise the contributions from Member States' competent authorities necessary to obtain and maintain a Union authorisation.



EMA's response to the change and the NFR solution development, including engagement with Industry

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High-level changes for Industry



- The simplification of the fee calculation (H+V)
- The update of fee structures now calculated per procedure and based on actual costs incurred across 30 EEA Member States and EMA (H+V)
- The introduction of administrative fees for withdrawals during validation and for incorrect incentives entitlement declaration (H+V)
- The revision of payment methods and terms for high-volume applications (e.g., Scientific Advice, Certificates and Parallel Distribution) (H+V)
- The removal of certain fees (e.g., for Type I variations and renewals) (H+V)
- The introduction of new fees (e.g., for Pre-Submission, Referrals and re-examination of MA applications) (H+V)
- The introduction of a Pharmacovigilance annual fee for Veterinary Nationally Authorised Products (V)
- The revision of the methodology to apply incentives for Veterinary Medicinal Products' procedures (V)

Updates to available regulatory guidance





Regulatory documents will be updated and made available on EMA's website

EMA's **regulatory documents**, user guides, web pages and FAQ documents are scheduled to be updated based on the new fee regulation **over the course of this year**.



To ensure ample time to prepare for implementation of updated procedures and processes as explained in the documentation, the publication of these materials is planned for **Q4 2024**.

Timeline for IT process payment preparation for implementation



2022 2023 2024 2025 01 **Q2 Q3** 01 **Q3** 04 04 04 02 01 Publication of Agreement on Publication of NFR go-live final draft nfr the nfr on OJ draft nfr Jan 2025 Sep 2023 Feb 2024 Dec 2022 Continuous Delivery Pipeline **ENABLER EPIC** Review of as-is vs to-be processes & collection AGILE RELEASE TRAIN of requirements for all related platforms Continuous Continuous **NFR CORE EPIC** Exploration Integration Deployment Analysis and implementation planning PREPAYMENT EPIC Analysis and implementation planning **PHV FEES EPIC** Analysis and implementation planning

Acronyms

NFR: New Fee Regulation
OJ: Official Journal

PHV: Pharmacovigilance SAFe: Scaled Agile Framework UAT: User Acceptance Testing Legend

UAT activities

Analysis & preparatory activities

Change Mgmt activities

Industry Stakeholders engagement opportunities







