

DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND LAND REFORM

NOTICE 4002 OF 2026



THE SOUTH AFRICAN COUNCIL FOR PLANNERS

PLANNING PROFESSION ACT, 2002 (36 of 2002)

DETERMINATION OF GUIDELINE PROFESSIONAL FEES IN TERMS OF SECTION 29
OF THE PLANNING PROFESSION ACT, 2002

It is hereby notified, for general information, that the South African Council for Planners (SACPLAN) has determined guideline professional fees in terms of Section 29 of the Planning Profession Act, 2002. These fees will replace the fees advertised in Gazette Notice 13 of 21 January 2021. The provisions contained in the Schedule, which exclude value-added tax to the fee so calculated, come into effect on the date of proclamation of this notice and shall apply in respect of any stage of professional service, which is started with, on, or after the date of commencement of the Schedule.

SCHEDULE

GUIDELINE PROFESSIONAL FEES

The guideline hourly tariff charge out rates, which exclude value-added tax for each of the defined categories shall be:

Category of Staff	2026	2027	2028
A	R 3 022.95	R 3 098.52	R 3 175.98
B	R 2 583.00	R 2 647.58	R 2 713.77
C	R 1 900.50	R 1 948.01	R 1 996.71
D	R 1 564.50	R 1 603.61	R 1 643.70

For purposes of reference, the definitions of categories A to D, are quoted below:

(a) Category A - in respect of a private consulting practice in Planning shall mean a top practitioner whose expertise and relevant experience is nationally or internationally recognised and who provides advice at a level of specialisation where such advice is recognised as that of an expert or managing director or member of a company or close corporation who, jointly and severally with other partners, co-directors or co-members, bears the risks of the business, takes full responsibility for the liabilities of such practice, where level of expertise and relevant experience is commensurate with the position, performs work of a conceptual nature in Planning and development, provides strategic guidance in planning and executing a project and / or carries responsibility for quality management pertaining to a project. He or She shall have been registered by SACPLAN as a Professional Planner in terms of the Planning Profession Act, 2002.

(b) Category B - in respect of a private consulting practice in Planning, shall mean all salaried professional staff with adequate expertise and relevant experience of performing work of a planning nature and who carry the direct technical responsibility for one or more specific activities related to a project. A person referred here shall be what is referred to in the Planning Profession Act, 2002 as a Professional Planner and shall have been registered by SACPLAN as such.

(c) Category C - in respect of a private consulting practice in Planning, shall mean all salaried technical staff with adequate expertise and relevant experience of performing work of a planning nature with direct and control provided by any person contemplated in Categories A and B above. He or She shall have been registered by SACPLAN as a Technical Planner in terms of the Planning Profession Act, 2002.

(d) Category D - in respect of a private consulting practice in Planning, shall mean all other salaried professional or technical staff members who have not yet completed the 24 months post qualification experience requirement for registration with SACPLAN in terms of the Planning Profession Act, 2002. He or She will be performing work of a Planning nature under the direct supervision provided by any person contemplated in categories A and B above. He or She shall have been registered by SACPLAN as a Candidate Planner in terms of the Planning Profession Act, 2002.



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