



## ***New Disbursements Tariff***

The Legal Services Society will implement a simplified [Disbursements Tariff](#) on April 1, 2012. For all costs or expenses incurred on or after this date, you must bill using the simplified tariff.

The simplified Disbursements Tariff has been redesigned to bring it into line with the appearance of the Family, CFCSA, and Criminal simplified tariffs, make it more user-friendly and easier to read, simplify the billing items, and clarify for lawyers where prior authorization is required. For highlights of the changes, please see the [Highlights of the new Disbursements Tariff page](#) on the LSS website.

Any authorizations that have already been issued for a Disbursements Tariff item remain valid.

The new Disbursements Tariff in the LSS Tariffs will be available on April 1, 2012 on the [LSS website](#) under Lawyers — LSS Tariffs. LSS tariff accounts staff will be available during business hours to assist referral lawyers with the new tariff.

In addition, our new e-authorizations online tool for requesting authorization for disbursements will soon be available on the LSS website under My Authorizations in Lawyer e-services.

Notices to Counsel will be sent to you by email from now on, just as the *Legal Aid Brief* is. To read past notices, see [Notices to Counsel](#) on the LSS website.

As always, we welcome your feedback regarding the new LSS tariffs. If you have any comments, please email them to [lawyersresources@lss.bc.ca](mailto:lawyersresources@lss.bc.ca).

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