05/2025 Part IIIA

PROFESSIONAL FEES (PHARMACY CONTRACTORS)

See Part I, Clause 5B 1 (ii) (page 8)

* Endorsements under this heading apply only to claims for the appropriate professional fee. The endorsement codes to be used are:

ED= Preparations prepared under the Section 10 exemption from the Medicines Act 1968

SP= Preparations manufactured under an MHRA specials licence or sourced under an MHRA importers licence

Further endorsement may be necessary for other purposes eg Part II "CLAUSE 8 BASIC PRICE", "CLAUSE 9 ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENTS" and Notes to Part VIIIA, VIIIB and VIIID (pages 293, 426 and 438)

		*Fee per prescription p	Endorsements required by contractors
1.	ALL PRESCRIPTIONS dispensed by Welsh Pharmacy Contractors attract a Professional Fee with a value of:	101 ¹	NIL
	ALL PRESCRIPTIONS dispensed by English Pharmacy Contractors attract a Single Activity Fee ² , ³ with a value of:	146	NIL

¹ The professional fee includes 1p to support printing costs associated with the transition to the Electronic Prescription Service (EPS) in Wales agreed from 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2026.

2. ADDITIONAL FEES:

A.	UNLICENSED MEDICINES		
(a)	Preparations manufactured under a MHRA specials licence or sourced under a MHRA importers licence	2000	SP
(b)	Preparations prepared under the Section 10 exemption from the Medicines Act 1968	2000	ED
B.	APPLIANCES		
(a)	Elastic Hosiery (Compression Hosiery) requiring measurement and endorsed "measured and fitted"	260	MF
(b)	Trusses requiring measurement and endorsed "measured and fitted"	260	MF
(c)	Para stomal garments (belts and girdles) where size is not indicated in the Drug Tariff requiring measurement and endorsed "measured and fitted"	260	MF
(d)	Home delivery of Part IXA qualifying items ⁴ (excluding catheter kits and intermittent self-catheters), Part IXB and Part IXC	340	NIL
(e)	Home delivery of catheter kits and intermittent self-catheters	930	NIL

⁴ Part IXA (qualifying items) include: catheters (urinary and urethral), laryngectomy and tracheostomy, catheter accessories, catheter maintenance solutions, anal irrigation system, vacuum pumps and constrictor rings for erectile dysfunction, and wound drainage pouches.

² The single activity fee includes a contribution for provision of auxiliary aids for people eligible under the Equality Act 2010.

³ Pharmacists undertaking repeat dispensing should undertake appropriate training which includes successful completion of the Centre for Pharmacy Postgraduate Education's NHS repeat dispensing 'focal point' programme.

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		Fee per prescription p	Endorsements required by contractors
C.	All prescriptions for oral liquid methadone attract a payment	250	NIL
D.	Where the quantity dispensed to the patient for a prescription for oral liquid methadone covers more than one dose and the contractor has packaged each dose separately	55	PD(n)*
E.	Where the prescription is for a Controlled Drug in Schedule 2 or 3 of the Misuse of Drugs Regulations 2001		
	Schedule 2 drug Schedule 3 drug	128 43	NIL NIL

F. Expensive Prescription Fee

A fee equivalent to 2% of the net ingredient cost will be payable on all prescriptions over £100.

Note - Expensive Prescription Fee is not included in calculation of ESPS payments

G. Serious Shortage Protocol

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^{*}n=number of doses packaged separately minus the number of times the contractor has dispensed the medicine to the patient**. Where a numeric value is not provided, the contractor will be paid one fee. If the number of occasions when the medicine is dispensed equals the number of doses that have been packaged separately, this fee is not payable.

^{**} an interaction with the patient where oral liquid methadone has been supplied.