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AN ACT TO MAKE PROVISION FOR THE SUBSTITUTION, WITH EFFECT FROM 1 JANUARY 2002, OF CON-VENIENT AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN EURO AND CENT FOR AMOUNTS EXPRESSED IN IRISH POUNDS AND PENCE IN CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE PROVISIONS, TO AMEND THE ECONOMIC AND MONETARY UNION ACT, 1998, TO AMEND THE CREDIT UNION ACT, 1997, TO AMEND THE BANKRUPTCY ACT, 1988, TO AMEND THE CENTRAL BANK ACT, 1989, AND TO MAKE PRO-VISION FOR MATTERS RELATED THERETO.

[25th June, 2001]

BE IT ENACTED BY THE OIREACHTAS AS FOLLOWS:

1.—(1) With effect from 1 January 2002, for each monetary Substitution of amount mentioned in column (2) of Schedule 1 at a reference number there shall be substituted the amount mentioned in *column* (3) in euro for certain of that Schedule at that reference number wherever such a monetary monetary amounts. amount is referred to in a specified provision of an enactment mentioned in column (2) of Schedule 2.

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- (2) In subsection (1) "specified provision" means a provision of an enactment mentioned in column (2) of Schedule 2 at a reference number which is referred to in column (3) of that Schedule at that reference number.
- (3) With effect from 1 January 2002, for each monetary amount mentioned in column (2) of Schedule 3 at a reference number there shall be substituted the amount mentioned in column (3) of that Schedule at that reference number wherever such a monetary amount is referred to in a specified provision of an enactment mentioned in column (2) of Schedule 4.
- (4) In subsection (3) "specified provision" means a provision of an enactment mentioned in column (2) of Schedule 4 at a reference number which is referred to in column (3) of that Schedule at that reference number.
- (5) In this section "monetary amount" includes an amount specified in words or a combination of numerals and words.

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Dispensing with required consents.

2.—Subject to *section 3*, where the consent or concurrence (however expressed) of any person to the making of a statutory instrument standing specified in *Schedule 2* or *Schedule 4* is, by virtue of any enactment, required to be given or any person is required to be consulted in connection with such making, such consent, concurrence or consultation shall not be required in respect of the changes effected by this Act.

Power to set amounts to continue in force.

- **3.**—(1) Nothing in this Act shall be construed as prohibiting or restricting the power of an appropriate authority to fix, set, prescribe, alter or otherwise amend any amounts in the provisions of the enactments referred to in *Schedule 2* or *Schedule 4* to the extent that an appropriate authority is otherwise empowered by law to so do.
- (2) In this section "appropriate authority" means a person or body authorised, empowered or appointed by an enactment to perform certain functions.

Amendment of Economic and Monetary Union Act, 1998.

- **4.**—(1) Section 5 of the Economic and Monetary Union Act, 1998, is amended by the substitution for the definition of "participating Member State" of the following:
- "' 'participating Member State' means—
 - (a) Belgium, Germany, Spain, France, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Austria, Portugal and Finland;
 - (b) with effect from 1 January 2001, Greece, and
 - (c) any other Member State of the European Communities with effect from the date on which the single currency is duly adopted in such Member State as its currency;".
- (2) The Economic and Monetary Union Act, 1998, is amended by the insertion in sections 9(4), 10(2) and 11(3)—
 - (a) before "the earlier operative date" of "the day immediately following", and
 - (b) before "the 30th day of June, 2002" of "the day immediately following".

Amendment of Central Bank Act, 1989. **5.**—The Central Bank Act, 1989, is hereby amended by the substitution of the following section for section 135:

"Payments on public holidays, etc. not compellable.

- 135.—(1) No person shall be compellable to make any payment or do any act—
 - (a) on a public holiday, or
 - (b) on a day on which the TARGET system is closed

which that person would not be compellable to make or do on Christmas Day or Good Friday by virtue of any rule of law relating to banking.

(2) Where a person would, apart from this section, be compellable to make any payment or do any act relating to banking on a public holiday

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or a day on which the TARGET system is closed S.5 the obligation to make such payment or to do such act shall be deemed to be complied with if such person makes the payment or does the act concerned on the next day on which he is compellable to make or do it.

(3) In this section—

'public holiday' has the same meaning as it has in paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Second Schedule to the Organisation of Working Time Act, 1997; and

'a day on which the TARGET system is closed' means such day or days as the Governing Council of the European Central Bank from time to time decide to be a day or days on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer system will be closed.".

6.—The Credit Union Act, 1997, is with effect from 1 January Amendment of 2002, amended—

Credit Union Act,

- (a) in section 2(1) by the substitution for the definition of "share" of the following:
 - "'share' means in relation to a credit union, each sum of one euro standing to the credit of a member of that credit union in respect of shares in the register of members required by this Act to be kept by that credit union;",
- (b) in section 17(3) by the substitution of "€10" for "£10",
- (c) in section 21(3) by the substitution of " \in 13,000" for "£10,000" wherever it occurs in that subsection,
- (d) in section 23(2) by the substitution of " \in 6,400" for "£5,000",
- (e) in section 27—
 - (i) by the substitution in paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of that section of "€1,250" for "£1,000",
 - (ii) by the substitution in paragraph (a) of subsection (4) of that section of "€26,000" for "£20,000", and
 - (iii) by the substitution in paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of that section of "€64,000" for "£50,000",
- (f) in section 28(1) by the substitution of " \in 1" for "£1", and
- (g) in section 35(3)(a) by the substitution of "€39,000" for "£30,000".
- 7.—(1) Section 85 of the Bankruptcy Act, 1988, is with effect from Amendment of 1 January 2002, amended—

(a) in clause (i) of paragraph (a) of subsection (3) by the substitution of "one euro in the euro" for "one pound in the pound";

Bankruptcy Act,

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- (b) in paragraph (a) of subsection (4) by the substitution of "50 cent or more in the euro" for "fifty pence or more in the pound", and
- (c) in paragraph (b) of subsection (4) by the substitution of "50 cent in the euro" for "fifty pence in the pound".
- (2) Section 86(1) of the Bankruptcy Act, 1988, is with effect from 1 January 2002, amended by the substitution of "one euro in the euro" for "one pound in the pound".
- (3) Paragraph 24(10) of the First Schedule to the Bankruptcy Act, 1988, is with effect from 1 January 2002, amended by the substitution of "one euro in the euro" for "one pound in the pound".

Amendment of Heritage Act, 1995.

8.—With effect from 1 January 2002, section 19(6)(a) of the Heritage Act, 1995, is amended by the substitution of "€1,300" for "one thousand pounds".

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- **9.**—(1) This Act may be cited as the Euro Changeover (Amounts) Act, 2001.
- (2) The Economic and Monetary Union Act, 1998, this subsection and *section 4* shall be construed together and may be cited together as the Economic and Monetary Union Acts, 1998 and 2001.
- (3) The Credit Union Act, 1997, this subsection and *section 6* shall be construed together and may be cited together as the Credit Union Acts, 1997 and 2001.
- (4) Section 5, this subsection and the Central Bank Acts, 1942 to 1998, shall be construed together as one Act and may be cited together as the Central Bank Acts, 1942 to 2001.
- (5) Section 7, this subsection and the Bankruptcy Act, 1988, shall be construed together as one Act and may be cited together as the Bankruptcy Acts, 1988 and 2001.

Reference No. (1)	Irish Pound amount (2) Euro amount (3)	
1.	0.10	0.10
2.	0.50	0.60
3.	0.65	0.80
4.	1.00	1.25
5.	2.00	2.50
6.	2.30	2.90
7.	2.60	3.00
8.	3.00	3.00
9.	5.00	6.00
10.	6.00	7.00

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Irish Pound amount (2)	Euro amount (3)
10.00	12.00
11.00	13.00
15.00	19.00
18.00	22.00
20.00	25.00
21.00	25.00
24.00	30.00
25.00	30.00
26.00	30.00
30.00	35.00
32.00	40.00
35.00	44.00
50.00	60.00
52.00	65.00
63.00	75.00
65.00	80.00
70.00	85.00
75.00	95.00
90.00	114.00
100.00	125.00
105.00	130.00
122.00	150.00
150.00	190.00
200.00	250.00
225.00	285.00
243.00	300.00
250.00	310.00
300.00	375.00
400.00	500.00
486.00	600.00
500.00	625.00
800.00	1,000.00
1,000.00	1,250.00
1,224.00	1,550.00
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Reference No. (1)	Irish Pound amount (2)	Euro amount (3)
45.	1,712.00	2,150.00
46.	2,000.00	2,500.00
47.	2,449.00	3,100.00
48.	2,500.00	3,100.00
49.	3,000.00	3,800.00
50.	6,179.00	7,800.00
51.	10,000.00	12,500.00
52.	20,000.00	25,000.00

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Reference No. (1)	Title of Enactment (2)	Provision (3)
1.	Air Navigation and Transport Act, 1965 (Section 8) Regulations, 1993 (S.I. No. 323 of 1993).	Matter in column (3) of Schedule.
2.	Building Control Regulations, 1997 (S.I. No. 496 of 1997).	Fifth Schedule.
3.	Building Societies Act, 1989 (No. 17 of 1989).	Section 50(6), section 50(7)(b) and (c), section 69(1)(a) and section 71(2).
4.	Control of Bulls for Breeding (Permits) Regulations, 1986 (S.I. No. 333 of 1986).	Regulation 5.
5.	Control of Dogs Regulations, 1998 (S.I. No. 442 of 1998).	Article 10.
6.	Credit Union Act, 1997 (Fees) Regulations, 1998 (S.I. No. 155 of 1998).	Matter in column (3) opposite reference numbers 1, 3 and 5 in Part I of Schedule.
7.	Derelict Sites (Appeal Fees) Regulations, 1991 (S.I. No. 149 of 1991).	Column (2) of Table.
8.	Derelict Sites (Case Stated for High Court) (Fee) Regulations, 1991 (S.I. No. 148 of 1991).	Regulation 2.
9.	Electoral Act, 1992 (No. 23 of 1992).	Section 47.
10.	Electoral Regulations, 1992 (S.I. No. 407 of 1992).	Note 2 to Nomination Paper in Schedule.
11.	Employment Agency Regulations, 1972 (S.I. No. 255 of 1972).	Regulation 5 and Table to that Regulation.
12.	European Communities (Vehicle Testing) Regulations, 1991 (S.I. No. 356 of 1991).	Article 10(4) and Article 10(5).
13.	European Parliament Elections Act, 1997 (No. 2 of 1997).	Section 13.
14.	European Parliament Elections (Forms) Regulations, 1998 (S.I. No. 415 of 1998).	Note 2 to Form EP2 in Schedule.
15.	Foreign Births Regulations, 1956 (S.I. No. 224 of 1956).	Regulations 7, 8, 9, 12, 15 and 16.
16.	Friendly Societies (Fees) Regulations, 1995 (S.I. No. 6 of 1995).	Matter specified in column of fees opposite reference numbers 11, 12, 14, 17 and 18 in Part I of the Schedule.

Reference No. (1)	Title of Enactment (2)	Provision (3)
17.	Industrial and Provident Societies (Fees) Regulations, 1995 (S.I. No. 4 of 1995).	Matter specified in column of fees opposite reference numbers 9, 10, 12, 15 and 16 in Part I of Schedule.
18.	Intoxicating Liquor Act, 1988 (Age Card) Regulations, 1999 (S.I. No. 4 of 1999).	Second Schedule.
19.	Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) (Amendment) Act, 1984 (No. 15 of 1984).	Section 3(1).
20.	Landlord and Tenant (Ground Rents) (No. 2) Act, 1978 (Fees) Order, 1984 (S.I. No. 194 of 1984).	Regulation 2.
21.	Land Registration (Fees) Order, 1999 (S.I. No. 343 of 1999).	Schedule (other than amounts of £10,000 and £20,000 at reference number 1).
22.	Local Authorities (Traffic Wardens) Act, 1975 (Section 3) (Offences) Regulations, 1997 (S.I. No. 395 of 1997).	Article 6 and Schedule.
23.	Local Elections Regulations, 1995 (S.I. No. 297 of 1995).	Article 15 and Note 2 to Form of Nomination Paper at Part I of Schedule.
24.	Registry of Deeds (Fees) Order, 1999 (S.I. No. 346 of 1999).	Schedule.
25.	Road Traffic Act, 1961 (Section 103) (Offences) Regulations, 1999 (S.I. No. 12 of 1999).	Article 5 and First Schedule.
26.	Road Traffic Act, 1994 (Section 41) Regulations, 1995 (S.I. No. 89 of 1995).	Article 5(1).
27.	Road Traffic (Immobilisation of Vehicles) Regulations, 1998 (S.I. No. 247 of 1998).	Article 5(1).
28.	Road Traffic (Removal, Storage and Disposal of Vehicles) Regulations, 1983 (S.I. No. 91 of 1983).	Article 7(1).

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Reference No. (1)	Title of Enactment (2)	Provision (3)
29.	Road Vehicles (Registration & Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations, 1992 (S.I. No. 385 of 1992).	Schedule 4 and Article 15(2).
30.	Road Vehicles (Registration & Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations, 1994 (S.I. No. 277 of 1994).	Article 3.
31.	Tour Operators (Licensing) Regulations, 1993 (S.I. No. 182 of 1993).	Matter in column (3) of the Table to paragraph (a) of Regulation 10, and paragraphs (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) of Regulation 10.
32.	Trade Union (Fees) Regulations, 1995 (S.I. No. 5 of 1995).	Matter specified in column of fees opposite reference numbers 1, 2, 5, 8 and 10 in Part I of Schedule.
33.	Travel Agents (Licensing) Regulations, 1993 (S.I. No. 183 of 1993).	Regulation 10.
34.	Valuation Appeal (Fees) Regulations, 1996 (S.I. No. 417 of 1996).	Column (2) of Table.
35.	Valuation (Case Stated for High Court) (Fee) Regulation, 1988 (S.I. No. 331 of 1988).	Regulation 2.
36.	Valuation (Revisions and New Valuations) (Fees) Regulations, 1996 (S.I. No. 418 of 1996).	Regulation 2.
37.	Valuation Tribunal (Fees) Regulations, 1997 (S.I. No. 21 of 1997).	Column (2) of Table.
38.	Wireless Telegraphy (Business Radio Licence) Regulations, 1949 (S.I. No. 320 of 1949).	Regulation 9.
39.	Wireless Telegraphy (Business Radio Licence) Regulations, 1957 (S.I. No. 181 of 1957).	Regulation 7.
40.	Wireless Telegraphy (Community Repeater Licence) Regulations, 1988 (S.I. No. 83 of 1988).	Regulations 4(2), 4(4) and 7(5).
41.	Wireless Telegraphy (GSM and TACS Mobile Telephony Licence) Regulations, 1997 (S.I. No. 468 of 1997).	Regulation 8.
42.	Wireless Telegraphy (Television Programme Retransmission) Regulations, 1989 (S.I. No. 39 of 1989).	Regulation 8.

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Reference No. (1)	Irish Pound amount (2)	Euro amount (3)
1.	500	650
2.	700	900
3.	1,750	2,300
4.	2,000	2,600
5.	5,000	6,500
6.	10,000	13,000
7.	15,000	20,000
8.	20,000	26,000
9.	40,000	51,000
10.	50,000	65,000
11.	100,000	130,000
12.	200,000	255,000
13.	250,000	320,000
14.	300,000	385,000
15.	500,000	635,000
16.	1,000,000	1,270,000
17.	3,000,000	3,810,000
18.	5,000,000	6,350,000
19.	10,000,000	12,700,000
20.	20,000,000	25,400,000

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Reference No. (1)	Title of Enactment (2)	Provision (3)	
1.	Air Navigation and Transport Act, 1965 (Section 8) Regulations, 1993 (S.I. No. 323 of 1993).	Matter in column (2) of Schedule.	
2.	Bankruptcy Act, 1988 (No. 27 of 1988).	Section 123(1)(<i>d</i>), section 123(1)(<i>e</i>), section 124 and section 129(<i>a</i>).	
3.	Civil Service Superannuation (Amendment) Regulations, 1999 (S.I. No. 274 of 1999).	Regulation 3.	
4.	Criminal Justice Act, 1994 (No. 15 of 1994).	Subsections (3)(b) and (7)(a) and (b) of section 32.	
5.	Derelict Sites (Appeal Fees) Regulations, 1991 (S.I. No. 149 of 1991).	Column (1) of Table.	
6.	Ethics in Public Office Act, 1995 (No. 22 of 1995).	Section 15(1) and Second Schedule.	
7.	Land Registration (Fees) Order, 1999 (S.I. No. 343 of 1999).	Schedule (other than fee of £500 at reference numbers 1 and 22(b)).	
8.	Land Registration Rules, 2000 (S.I. No. 175 of 2000).	Rules 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.	
9.	Misuse of Drugs Act, 1977 (No. 12 of 1977).	Section 15A(1)(<i>b</i>).	
10.	Planning and Development Act, 2000 (No. 30 of 2000).	Sections 147(7)(a) and 148(8)(a).	
11.	Proceeds of Crime Act, 1996 (No. 30 of 1996).	Subsections (1)(b) and (3)(b) of section 2,	
		subsections (1)(b) and (1)(II) of section 3 and	
		subsection (1) of section 8.	
12.	Tour Operators (Licensing) Regulations, 1993 (S.I. No. 182 of 1993).	Matter in column (2) of Table to Regulation 10.	



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EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

[This memorandum is not part of the Act and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.]

General

The purpose of this Act is, in necessary cases, to replace Irish pound (IR£) amounts that are set down in law with convenient amounts in euro with effect from 1 January 2002. The amounts being replaced relate to certain fees, charges etc., levied by Government Departments or bodies, and to certain thresholds, where the amounts are or may be paid in cash or need to be easily remembered. The Act provides that the fee etc. amounts involved will from 1 January 2002 be reduced to the nearest convenient euro amount below the exact equivalent of the current IR£ amounts, so as to favour the citizen, and that the threshold amounts will be increased to the nearest convenient euro amount above the exact equivalent, again so as to favour the citizen.

The background to the Act is that under Regulation (EC) No. 974/98 of 3 May 1998¹, IR£ money amounts in law at end-2001 are from then on to be read as money amounts in euro at the conversion rate (1 euro = £0.787564). Clearly, money amounts so produced will not be smooth amounts in euro (e.g. £100 will convert, with rounding, to 126.97 euro). In many cases this will not matter, but in others it will, for example in some cases where amounts are paid in cash. The Act deals only with cases where a convenient euro amount has been identified as necessary. It does not deal with money amounts in the tax or social welfare codes, which are dealt with in the Finance Act, 2001 and the Social Welfare Act, 2001 respectively. Nor does it deal with amounts in certain other areas of law, e.g. road tax: these are dealt with separately.

The Act also provides for amendments to the Economic and Monetary Union Act, 1998, the Central Bank Act, 1989, the Credit Union Act, 1997, the Bankruptcy Act, 1988 and the Heritage Act, 1995.

Provisions

Section 1 provides for the replacement of certain IR£ amounts in specified legislation with convenient amounts in euro, with effect from 1 January 2002. Where the amounts involved relate to fees, charges etc., the IR£ amounts in question and the replacement amounts in euro are listed in Schedule 1 and the statutory references are listed in Schedule 2. The replacement amounts in euro are all less than the exact euro equivalent of the IR£ amounts. Where the amounts relate to thresholds, they are listed in Schedule 3 and the statutory references are listed in Schedule 4: in these cases the replacement amounts are all greater than the exact euro equivalent

¹OJ L 139, 11.5.1998, pp.1-5.

of the IR£ amounts. The section also provides that the term "monetary amount" used in the section includes an amount specified in words or in a combination of numerals and words.

Section 2 dispenses with any consents or consultations normally required for the making of any statutory instrument listed in Schedules 2 or 4, for the purposes of the changes to be effected by Section 1. It is intended to preclude any doubt as to whether such consents or consultations might be required.

Section 3 provides that nothing in the Act is to be construed as restricting any existing power of an appropriate authority to set or alter amounts in the enactments listed in Schedules 2 or 4.

Section 4 amends certain sections in the Economic and Monetary Union Act, 1998, in order first, to update the definition of "participating Member State" in that Act so as to include Greece, which adopted the euro with effect from 1 January 2001, and to allow for the fact that further Member States may do so in the future; and secondly to enable the exact time of the withdrawal of legal tender status from IR£ notes and coins (intended for midnight on Saturday 9 February 2002) to be aligned with the timing of the repeal of certain sections in earlier law under which IR£ notes and coins are issued or under which limits are placed on the number of coins that may be tendered.

Section 5 amends the Central Bank Act, 1989 by substituting a new section 135 for the existing section 135. The new section defers, until the next business day, the giving of value by banks in respect of transactions that fall due for processing by them on a public holiday or on a day when the TARGET interbank settlement system is closed by decision of the European Central Bank (ECB). Such deferral already happens in respect of public holidays; and indeed, most of the TARGET closed days already correspond with our public holidays. The main exceptions are 1 May — Ireland's public holiday is on the first Monday in May — and 31 December 2001, on which the ECB has decided that TARGET should be closed in order to safeguard the smooth conversion of retail payment systems and internal bank systems to the euro.

Section 6 amends the Credit Union Act, 1997 with effect from 1 January 2002 so as to redefine a share in a credit union as one euro standing to the credit of a member of that credit union in respect of shares in the register of members. It also provides for a number of consequential changes to amounts dependent on the definition of a share, and for the substitution of convenient amounts in euro for certain minimum and maximum amounts in the Act.

Section 7 amends the Bankruptcy Act, 1988, with effect from 1 January 2002, to replace five references to "pound in the pound" and "50 pence in the pound" with appropriate references to euro amounts. These amounts represent thresholds or targets in relation to the settlement of the debts of a bankrupt and govern such matters as the discharge of the bankruptcy or the return of property etc. when all debts and costs are settled.

Section 8 substitutes in section 19(6)(a) of the Heritage Act, 1995, a convenient euro threshold for the declaration of interest by employees of the Heritage Council. While the principles set out in section 1 have been followed, it is considered advisable for drafting reasons to provide for a specific amendment for the amount in question rather than to include it under section 1 and Schedules 3 and 4.

Section 9 is a standard provision, providing for the citation of the Act and for the citation of the amendments provided for in sections 4, 5, 6 and 7 with the principal Acts.

The Schedules

There are four Schedules to the Act (see section 1). Schedule 1 relates to fees, charges etc. and sets out the IR£ amounts that are being replaced, and the euro amounts that will replace them from 1 January 2002, in the places in law where replacement has been identified as necessary. Schedule 2 lists the places in law. Schedule 3 relates to thresholds and sets out the IR£ amounts that are being replaced, and the euro amounts that will replace them from 1 January 2002, in the places in law where replacement has been identified as necessary. Schedule 4 lists the places in law.

Table I attached draws together the information in Schedules 1 and 2, with a brief description of each fee, charge etc. item being changed. Table II attached draws together the information in Schedules 3 and 4, with a brief description of each threshold item being changed.

Minister for Finance, July, 2001.

TABLE I

The following table brings together the information in Schedules 1 and 2 to the Act, which relate to legislation where fees and charges are being changed to convenient euro amounts.

Reference No.	Title of Enactment and Provision	Description of Provision	IR£ Amount	Convenient € Amount
1.	Air Navigation and Transport Act, 1965 (Section 8) Regulations, 1993 (S.I. No. 323 of	Application fee for operating licenses with projected turnover of:—£1m or less.	£250	€310
	1993). Matter in column (3) of Schedule. (See Ref. No. 1 in Table II.)	More than £1m but less than £5m. More than £5m.	£500 £1,000	€625 €1,250
2.	Building Control Regulations, 1997 (S.I. No. 496 of 1997). Fifth	Application and other fees to local authority for: fire safety certificate —	,	
	Schedule.	Agricultural Building — per m ² ; fire safety certificate —	65p	80c
		per m ² ; copies of an extract from	£2.30	€2.90
		building control register; submission of a commencement notice;	£10 £25	€12 €30
		fire safety certificate — Agricultural Building	223	(50)
		(minimum); fire safety certificate (minimum):	£52 £100	€65 €125
		relaxations from regulations (dwelling);	£100	€125
		relaxations from regulations (other buildings);	£200	€250
		maximum fee with a commencement notice;	£3,000	€3,800
		maximum fee with a fire safety cert application; Restriction on refund in	£10,000	€12,500
		respect of; submission of a commencement notice;	£25	€30
		application for fire safety certificate. Application fee for Appeal	£100	€125
		to An Bord Pleanála.	£200	€250
3.	Building Societies Act, 1989 (No. 17 of 1989). Sections 50(6), 50(7)(b)	Maximum permissible shareholding thresholds for:		
	and (c), 69 (1)(a), 71(2).	(i) Voting rights at AGM. (ii) Nomination of a	£100	€125
		director. (iii) Election of a director. Maximum deposit that can	£250 £500	€310 €625
		be required of candidate for director. Minimum threshold for	£250	€310
		borrowing membership voting rights.	£500	€625
4.	Control of Bulls for Breeding (Permits) Regulations, 1986 (S.I. No. 333 of 1986). Regulation 5.	Bull permit application fee for a research organisation; bull beef production enterprise or a person, in respect of a bull which is entered or eligible to be entered in		
		a herd book. Bull permit application fee for breeding in a small	£10	€12
5.	Control of Dogs	herd. On the spot fines for	£20	€25
3.	Regulations, 1998 (S.I. No. 442 of 1998). Article 10.	offences under Section 27 of Control of Dogs Act, 1986.	£25	€30
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Reference No.	Title of Enactment and Provision	Description of Provision	IR£ Amount	Convenient € Amount
6.	Credit Union Act, 1997 (Fees) Regulations, 1998 (S.I. No. 155 of 1998). Matter in column (3) opposite reference numbers 1, 3 and 5 in Part 1 of Schedule.	Photocopying handling fee where no. of pages exceeds 10 (research students and public authorities are exempt). Inspection of public file of a credit union section 101(1). Certification by or on behalf of registrar of any document or extract of any document.	10p £5	10c €6
7.	Derelict Sites (Appeal Fees) Regulations, 1991 (S.I. No. 149 of 1991). Column (2) of Table.	Fees for appeals to the Valuation Tribunal in respect of market valuations under the Derelict Sites Act, 1990 which vary depending on the market value being appealed.	£50 £100 £150	€60 €125 €190
8.	Derelict Sites (Case Stated for High Court) (Fee) Regulations, 1991 (S.I. No. 148 of 1991). Regulation 2.	Fee payable to the Valuation Office in respect of a case stated to the High Court with regard to appeals in connection with market valuations under the Derelict Sites Act, 1990.	£300	€375
9 & 10.	Electoral Act, 1992 (No. 23 of 1992). Section 47. Electoral Regulations, 1992 (S.I. No. 407 of 1992). Note 2 to Nomination Paper in Schedule.	Deposit for candidates in a Dáil election.	£300	€375
11.	Employment Agency Regulations, 1972 (S.I. No. 255 of 1972). Regulation 5 and Table to that Regulation.	Annual fee in respect of an Employment Agency Licence under the Employment Agency Act, 1971.	£400	€500
12.	European Communities (Vehicle Testing) Regulations, 1991 (S.I. No. 356 of 1991). Article 10(4) and Article 10(5).	Fees for replacement certificate of roadworthiness for light goods vehicle. Fee for certificate of roadworthiness for light goods vehicle. Fee for replacement certificate of road worthiness for heavy goods vehicle; vehicles used for the carriage of passengers with more than 8 seats, excluding the driver's seat, ambulances and goods trailers. Fee for certificate of roadworthiness for heavy goods vehicle; vehicles used for the carriage of passengers with more than 8 seats, excluding the driver's seat, ambulances and goods trailers.	£3 £5	€3 €6 €7
13 & 14.	European Parliament Elections Act, 1997 (No. 2 of 1997). Section 13. European Parliament Elections (Forms) Regulations, 1998 (S.I. No. 415 of 1998). Note 2 to Form EP2 in Schedule.	Deposit by candidates at a European Election.	£1,000	€1,250

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No.	and Provision	of Provision	Amount	€ Amount
15.	Foreign Births Regulations, 1956 (S.I. No. 224 of 1956). Regulations 7, 8, 9, 12, 15 and 16.	Inspect Foreign Births Entry Book at Embassy or Consulate; Copy of particulars in columns 1- 6 of entry in Foreign Births Entry Book; Inspect Foreign Births Register at Department of Foreign Affairs; Copy of particulars in columns 1-6 of entry in Foreign Births Register. Copy of entry in Foreign Births Entry Book; Copy of entry in Foreign Births Register. Registration in Foreign	£2	€2.50 €12
		Births Entry Book of birth of persons under 18 years of age; Registration in Foreign Births Register of birth of person under 18 years of age. Registration in Foreign Births Entry Book of birth of person over 18 years of age; Registration in Foreign Births Register of birth of person over 18 years of age;	£32	€40 €125
16.	Friendly Societies (Fees)	Photocopying handling fee		
	Regulations, 1995 (S.I. No. 6 of 1995). Matter	paid to Registrar of Friendly Societies.	10p	10c
	specified in column of fees opposite reference	Inspection of a Society's file.	£5	€6
	numbers 11, 12, 14, 17 and 18 in Part I of the Schedule.	Signature or seal of the Registrar to a document not chargeable with any other fee. Filing of notice of appointment of trustees. Filing of a Society's annual	£21 £30	€25 €35
15		return.	£50	€60
17.	Industrial and Provident Societies (Fees) Regulations, 1995 (S.I. No. 4 of 1995). Matter specified in column of	Photocopying handling fee to Registrar of Friendly Societies. Inspection of a Society's file.	10p £5	10c €6
	fees opposite reference numbers 9, 10, 12, 15 and 16 in Part I of Schedule.	Signature or seal of the Registrar to a document not chargeable with any other fee. Filing of a Society's annual return; filing of a Society's triennial	£21	€25
18.	Intoxicating Liquor Act, 1988 (Age Card) Regulations, 1999 (S.I.	return. Fee for the provision of an age card for persons who have attained 18	£50	€60
	No. 4 of 1999). Second Schedule.	years of age, to confirm that they have attained the legal age for the purchase of intoxicating liquor.	£5	€6
19.	Landlord and Tenant	Issuing of a vesting		
	(Ground Rents) (Amendment) Act, 1984 (No. 15 of 1984).	certificate (in occupation). Arbitration (in occupation)	£26 £63	€30 €75
20.	Section 3(1). Landlord and Tenant	occupation). Inspection of a register.	50p	€/3 60c
	(Ground Rents) (No. 2) Act, 1978 (Fees) Order 1984 (S.I. No. 194 of	Copy of an entry in a register. Issuing of a vesting	£2.60	€3
	1984). Regulation 2.	certificate (not in occupation).	£52	€65
		Arbitration (not in occupation).	£105	€130

Reference No.	Title of Enactment and Provision	Description of Provision	IR£ Amount	Convenient € Amount
21.	Land Registration (Fees)	Transfer on Sale	£100	€125
	Order, 1999 (S.I. No.		£150	€190
	343 of 1999). Schedule.		£200	€250
	(See Ref. No. 7 in Table		£300	€375
	lì).		£400	€500
			£500	€625
		Names/Townland Index		
		Search.	£2	€2.50
		Inspection of folio,		02.00
		instrument or record.	£2	€2.50
		Sealed and certified copy	22	C2.30
		folio.	£5	€6
		Official search rule 190 of	1.3	-0
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		the 1972 rules.	£5	€6
		Priority search rule 191 of		
		1972 rules.	£5	€6
		Search rule 196 of the		
		1972 rules.	£5	€6
		Fee for making any note		
		or entry or providing		
		any service.	£5	€6
		Application for		
		registration of any other		
		matter not specified.	£20	€25
		Land Certificate.	£20	€25 €25
		Copy folio with file plan	220	(23)
			£20	€25
		(sealed and certified).	120	E23
		Copy of instrument,	620	625
		affidavit order or ruling.	£20	€25
		Fee lodged exceeds the		
		amount chargeable.	£20	€25
		Application requiring the		
		opening of a new folio.	£50	€60
		Copy of map showing		
		rights of way or other		
		special features.	£50	€60
		Attendance of Officer in		
		court to produce		
		documents (per day).	£50	€60
			130	€00
		Application for		
		registration is refused,		
		abandoned or	0.50	a co
		withdrawn.	£50	€60
		Voluntary transfer.	£70	€85
		Transfer under Section 90		
		of Housing Act 1966.	£70	€85
		Application for		
		registration of lease as a		
		burden.	£70	€85
		Application for		
		registration of		
		transmission on death.	£70	€85
		Application for first		
		registration.	£70	€85
		Application under Section	~,0	
		49 of the 1964 Act.	£70	€85
		Registration of Charge.	£100	€125
		First approval of Scheme	6250	6210
		Map.	£250	€310
		Approval of revision of		
		Scheme Map where		
		number of sites in		
		scheme does not exceed		
		20.	£500	€625
		Approval of revision of		
		Scheme Map where		
		number of sites in		
		scheme exceeds 20.	£1,000	€1,250
		selicine executs 20.	~1,000	C1,230

Reference No.	Title of Enactment and Provision	Description of Provision	IR£ Amount	Convenient € Amount
22.	Local Authorities (Traffic Wardens) Act, 1975 (Section 3) (Offences) Regulations, 1997 (S.I. No. 395 of 1997). Article 6 and Schedule.	Fine for parking offences other than those specified in Regulations. Fine for parking/stopping during a clearway period in a clearway or bus lane. Fine for non-display of	£15	€19 €25
		motor tax disc.	£50	€60
23.	Local Elections Regulations, 1995 (S.I. No. 297 of 1995). Article 15 and Note 2 to Form of Nomination Paper at Part I of Schedule.	Deposit by candidate at election other than to Co. Council or Co. Borough. Deposit by candidate at election to Co. Council or Co. Porough	£25	€30 €60
24.	Registry of Deeds (Fees)	or Co. Borough. Copy fee.	50p	60c
24.	Order, 1999 (S.I. No. 346 of 1999). Schedule.	Search fee. Fee for common search, continuation of common search, general search and other services. Fee for comparison, certificates of registration, negative search, continuation or closing of negative search, copies, entry of satisfaction of mortgage and inspection of	£1 £5	€1.25 €6
		original memorial or affidavit. Fee for registration of memorials and certificates of registration.	£10	€12 €44
		Fee for attendance of officer.	£50	€60
25.	Road Traffic Act, 1961 (Section 103) (Offences) Regulations, 1999 (S.I. No. 12 of 1999). Article 5 and First Schedule.	Fine in respect of all other parking offences, not specified earlier in regulations. Fine for a variety of	£15	€19
		offences under regulation.	£20	€25
		Fine for non-display of insurance disc.	£50	€60
		Fine for maximum weights infringement. Fine for non-display of	£50	€60
		motor tax disc. Fine for exceeding speed	£50	€60
		limit. Fine for failing to stop or	£50	€60
		yield at signs. Fine for traffic light	£50	€60
		infringement.	£50	€60
26.	Road Traffic Act, 1994 (Section 41) Regulations, 1995 (S.I. No. 89 of 1995). Article 5(1).	Daily charge (after day one) for detention, removal and storage of a vehicle. Charge for the detention, removal and storage of a vehicle for one day.	£30 £100	€35 €125
27.	Road Traffic (Immobilisation of Vehicles) Regulations, 1998 (S.I. No. 247 of 1998). Article 5(1).	Charge for removal of immobilisation device.	£65	€80

Reference No.	Title of Enactment and Provision	Description of Provision	IR£ Amount	Convenient € Amount
28.	Road Traffic (Removal, Storage and Disposal of Vehicles) Regulations, 1983 (S.I. No. 91 of	Charge for the storage of a vehicle (each day or part thereof).	£30	€35
	1983). Article 7(1).	Charge for the removal of a vehicle.	£100	€125
29.	Road Vehicles (Registration & Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations, 1992 (S.I. No. 385 of 1992). Schedule 4 and Article	Replacement licence. Replacement licensing certificate or registration book. Minimum limit for annual licence/refund.	£5 £10 £90	€6 €12 €114
30.	15(2). Road Vehicles (Registration & Licensing) (Amendment) Regulations, 1994 (S.I. No. 277 of 1994) Article 3.	Fee for supply of licensing particulars.	£5	€6
31.	Tour Operators (Licensing) Regulations, 1993 (S.I. No. 182 of 1993). Matter in column (3) of the Table to paragraph (a) of	Application fee for amendment of tour operators licence. Additional fee for tour operator or travel agent licence where a licence has not been held for	£122	€150
	Regulation 10, and paragraphs (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) of Regulation 10. (See Ref. No. 12 in Table II).	two years prior to application. Additional fee for tour operators licence when application is received between one and two months before licence is required to commence. Additional fee for tour operators licence when application is received less than one month before licence is required to commence. Additional fee for tour operators licence when application is received less than one month before licence is required to commence. Additional fee for tour operators licence where applicant has failed to submit audited financial	£243	€300
			£1,000	€1,250
			£2,000	€2,500
		statements. Application fees for tour operators licences which vary depending on licensable turnover.	£1,000 £243 £486 £1,224 £1,712 £2,449 £6,179	€1,250 €300 €600 €1,550 €2,150 €3,100 €7,800
32.	Trade Union (Fees) Regulations, 1995 (S.I. No. 5 of 1995). Matter specified in column of	Photocopying handling fee. Fee for certificate of registry of alteration of rules. Fee for certificate of registry of a trade union. Fee for authentication of a document by the	10p	10c
	fees opposite reference numbers 1, 2, 5, 8 and 10 in Part I of Schedule.		50p	60c
			£1	€1.25
		Registrar. Fee for filing of a trade	£21	€ 25
		unions annual return.	£50	€60

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No.	and Provision	of Provision	Amount	€ Amount
33.	Travel Agents (Licensing) Regulations, 1993 (S.I. No. 183 of 1993). Regulation 10.	Application fee for amendment of travel agents licence. Application fee for travel	£24	€30
		agents licence and also additional fee to be paid where applicant has not held a tour operators or travel agents licence within two years prior to application. Additional fee to be paid where application is received between one and two months prior to required commencement of licence and also	£243	€300
		additional fee where applicant has failed to submit audited financial statements. Additional fee to be paid where application is received less than one month prior to required commencement date of licence.	£500	€625 €1,250
34.	Valuation Appeal (Fees) Regulations, 1996 (S.I. No. 417 of 1996). Column (2) of Table.	Appeal fees which vary depending on the rateable valuation of the property.	£50 £100 £150 £225	€60 €125 €190 €285
35.	Valuation (Case Stated for High Court) (Fee) Regulation, 1988 (S.I. No. 331 of 1988). Regulation 2.	Fee payable to the Valuation Tribunal in respect of a case stated to the High Court in connection with appeals.	£300	€375
36.	Valuation (Revisions and New Valuations) (Fees) Regulations, 1996 (S.I. No. 418 of 1996). Regulation 2.	Fee charged for an application to have a new property valued or for an existing rateable valuation to be revised.	£100	€125
37.	Valuation Tribunal (Fees) Regulations, 1997 (S.I. No. 21 of 1997). Column (2) of Table.	Fees charged for appeals to the Valuation Tribunal against an appeal determination by the Commissioner of Valuation which vary depending on the rateable valuation of the property.	£75 £100 £200 £300	€95 €125 €250 €375
38.	Wireless Telegraphy (Business Radio Licence) Regulations, 1949 (S.I. No. 320 of 1949). Regulation 9.	Fee payable for issue and renewal of business radio licences.	£18	€22
39.	Wireless Telegraphy (Business Radio Licence) Regulations, 1957 (S.I. No. 181 of 1957). Regulation 7.	Fee payable for issue and renewal of a temporary business radio licence.	£10	€12
40.	Wireless Telegraphy (Community Repeater Licence) Regulations, 1988 (S.I. No. 83 of 1988). Regulations 4(2), 4(4) and 7(5).	Initial fee for processing application for a community repeater system licence. Fee to be paid for issuing a community repeater system licence.	£10	€12 €625
		Fee for renewal of community repeater system licence.	£800	€1,000

Reference No.	Title of Enactment and Provision	Description of Provision	IR£ Amount	Convenient € Amount
41.	Wireless Telegraphy (GSM and TACS Mobile Telephony Licence) Regulations, 1997 (S.I. No. 468 of 1997). Regulation 8.	Application and renewal fee for licence which relates to TACS mobile telephony service. Application and first renewal fee for GSM mobile telephony service licence. Fee for second and subsequent renewal of GSM mobile telephony service licence.	£2,500 £10,000 £20,000	€3,100 €12,500 €25,000
42.	Wireless Telegraphy (Television Programme Retransmission) Regulations, 1989 (S.I. No. 39 of 1989). Regulation 8.	Fee for licence to install, maintain, work and use a primary station for the retransmission of television programme services.	£20,000	€25,000

TABLE II

The following table brings together the information in Schedules 3 and 4 to the Act which relate to legislation where upper limits and threshold values are being changed to convenient euro amounts. These thresholds apply to declarations of interests of various sorts, to actions required or enabled under law or are used for setting or assessing fees to be paid.

Reference No.	Title of Enactment and Provision	Description of Provision	IR£ Amount	Convenient € Amount
1.	Air Navigation and Transport Act, 1965 (Section 8) Regulations, 1993 (S.I. No. 323 of 1993). Matter in column (2) of Schedule. (See Ref. No. 1 in Table I.)	Threshold levels for projected turnover which determine fee levels for operating licences.	£1,000,000 £5,000,000	€1,270,000 €6,350,000
2.	Bankruptcy Act, 1988 (No. 27 of 1988). Section 123(1)(d), section 123(1)(e), section 124 and section 129(a).	Thresholds representing monetary limits above which certain actions by a bankrupt would constitute an offence under the Act.	£500	€650
3.	Civil Service Superannuation (Amendment) Regulations, 1999 (S.I. No. 274 of 1999).	Maximum amount which may be released without probate to the spouse of a deceased member of the Civil Service Superannuation Scheme.	£15,000	€20,000
4.	Criminal Justice Act, 1994. (No. 15 of 1994). Subsections (3)(b) and (7)(a) and (b) of section 32.	Money laundering thresholds in respect of:— Annual premium for life assurance. Single premium for life assurance. Bank deposits.	£700 £1,750 £10,000	€900 €2,300 €13,000
5	Derelict Sites (Appeal Fees) Regulations, 1991 (S.I. No. 149 of 1991). Column (1) of Table.	Thresholds for the setting of fees for appeals to the Valuation Tribunal in respect of market valuations under the Derelict Sites Act, 1990.	£50,000 £100,000	€65,000 €130,000

Reference	Title of Enactment	Description of	IR£	Convenient
No. 6.	and Provision Ethics in Public Office Act, 1995 (No. 22 of 1995). Section 15(1) and Second Schedule.	Provision Threshold value for gifts which may need to be surrendered by Office Holders. Threshold values for registrable interests that are discloseable under the Act: gifts;	£500	€ Amount €650
		property/services given below cost or free of charge; travel and accommodation	£500	€650
		given below cost or free of charge; remunerated trade or professon;	£500 £2,000	€650 €2,600
		contracts with public bodies; shares etc., holdings; land/property holdings.	£5,000 £10,000 £10,000	€6,500 €13,000 €13,000
7.	Land Registration (Fees) Order, 1999 (S.I. No. 343 of 1999). Schedule. (See Ref. No. 21 in Table I).	Value thresholds which determine fees for registration of a transfer on sale.	£10,000 £20,000 £40,000 £200,000 £300,000	€13,000 €26,000 €51,000 €255,000 €385,000
8.	Land Registration Rules, 2000 (S.I. No. 175 of 2000).	Where market value refers to maximum level of market value, purchase money or compensation paid for a property in relation to the modification of examination of title and application for first registration.	£250,000	€320,000
9.	Misuse of Drugs Act, 1977 (No. 12 of 1977). Section 15A (1)(b).	A person shall be guilty of an offence where they have in their possession controlled drugs to the value of £10,000 or more.	£10,000	€13,000
10.	Planning and Development Act, 2000. (No. 30 of 2000). Sections 147(7)(a) and 148(8)(a).	Threshold for declaration by members of certain interests.	£10,000	€13,000
11.	Proceeds of Crime Act, 1996. (No. 30 of 1996). Subsections (1)(b) and (3)(b) of section 2, subsections (1)(b) and (1)(II) of section 3 and subsection (1) of section 8.	Where property valued at more than this amount constitutes proceeds of crime, an interim order may be made by the courts to prevent disposing of or diminishing the value of the property.	£10,000	€13,000
12.	Tour Operators (Licensing) Regulations, 1993 (S.I. No. 182 of 1993). Matter in column (2) of Table to Regulation 10. (See Ref. No. 31 in Table I).	Threshold levels for licensable turnover which determine the application fee for a tour operators licence.	£500,000 £1,000,000 £3,000,000 £5,000,000 £10,000,000 £20,000,000	€635,000 €1,270,000 €3,810,000 €6,350,000 €12,700,000 €25,400,000