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## **INVESTMENT FUNDS (FEES) RULES, 2024**

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### INVESTMENT FUNDS ACT, 2019 (NO. 2 OF 2019)

#### **INVESTMENT FUNDS (FEES) RULES, 2024**

The Securities Commission of The Bahamas, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 45 of the Investment Funds Act, 2019 (*No. 2 of 2019*), makes the following rules —

#### 1. Citation and commencement.

- (1) These Rules may be cited as the Investment Funds (Fees) Rules, 2024.
- (2) These Rules shall come into operation on 31 December, 2024.

#### 2. Fees.

The fees set out in the *Schedule* shall apply in relation to the Act unless exempted by the Commission, and shall be paid to the Commission and shall not be refundable.

#### 3. Annual renewal fees.

- (1) The annual fees set out in the *Schedule* shall be payable in accordance with the period established by section 43 of the Act.
- (2) Annual renewal fees payable on the licensing, registration or approval shall be pro-rated from the date of licensing, registration or approval to the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December of that year.

#### 4. Revocation of S.I. No. 191 of 2020.

The Investment Funds (Fees) Rules, 2020 (SI No. 191 of 2020) are hereby revoked.

#### **SCHEDULE**

(rule 2)

Table A. Application and Annual Fees For Investment Funds Licensed Under Part II of the Act

Category	<b>Application Fee</b>	Annual Fee
Standard Fund	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,750.00
Professional Fund - with Administrator	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,750.00
Professional Fund - with Administrator (Fast Tracked)	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,750.00
Professional Fund - Self Administered	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,125.00
Professional Fund - Self Administered (Fast Tracked)	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,125.00
SMART Investment Fund - with Administrator	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,750.00
SMART Investment Fund - with Administrator (Fast Tracked)	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 2,750.00
SMART Investment Fund - Self Administered	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 3,125.00
SMART Investment Fund - Self Administered (Fast Tracked)	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,125.00

Table B. Principal Office Fees For Investment Funds Licensed Under Par II of the Act					
Category	Application Fee				
Standard Fund	\$ 1,250.00				
Professional Fund - with Administrator	\$ 1,250.00				
Professional Fund - Self Administered	\$ 1,250.00				
SMART Investment Fund - with Administrator	\$ 1,250.00				
SMART Investment Fund - Self Administered	\$ 1,250.00				

Category	<b>Application Fee</b>	Initial Licensing Fee	Annual Fee
Restricted Investment Fund Administrator (0- 24 Funds)	\$ 6,250.00	\$12,000.00	\$ 16,875.00
Restricted Investment Fund Administrator (25- 49 Funds)	\$ 9,375.00	\$15,625.00	\$ 27,500.00
Restricted Investment Fund Administrator (50 Funds or more)	\$ 13,750.00	\$20,000.00	\$ 35,625.00
Unrestricted Investment Fund Administrator (0- 24 Funds)	\$ 13,750.00	\$20,000.00	\$ 27,500.00
Unrestricted	\$ 15,625.00	\$21,875.00	\$ 37,500.00

Investment Fund Administrator (25- 49 Funds)		
Unrestricted Investment Fund Administrator (50 Funds or more)	\$26,250.00	\$ 46,000.00

# Table D. Application, Initial Registration and Annual Fees Per Fund For Investment Fund Managers Registered Under Part II of the Act

Category		Application Fee		Initial Registration Fee		Annual Fee	
Investment Manager registered the SIA	Fund not under		500.00	\$	800.00	\$	800.00
Investment Manager registered the SIA	Fund under		500.00	N/A		N/A	

# Table E. Application, Initial Licensing and Annual Renewal Fees Per Fund For Alternative Investment Fund Managers Licensed Under Part II of the Act

Category of Registration	App	Application Fee		Initial Registration Fee		ual Renewal
Alternative Investment Fund Manager	\$	500.00	\$	800.00	\$	800.00

Table F. Administrative Fees	
Category	Administrative Fee
Approval of the appointment or change in a director, operator, chief	

executive officer or other person for whom initial approval is required	
Re-Launching of a Suspended Fund	\$ 1,500.00
Approval of the issuing, transferring or disposing of Shares of the Investment Fund Administrator	\$ 625.00
Approval or change of a compliance officer or money laundering reporting officer	\$ 1,000.00
Letters of Good Standing	\$ 500.00
Replacement Certificate	\$ 500.00
Copies of or extracts from Investment Fund Register	\$ 25.00
Approval of change of name and reissuance of registration certificate	\$ 500.00
Extension to file audited financial statements (1st request)	\$ 1,000.00
Extension to file audited financial statements (2nd request)	\$ 2,500.00
Approval for the surrender of license or registration certificate	\$ 500.00
Approval of Publication of advertisement in The Bahamas	\$ 250.00
Application for a "waiver" request	\$ 500.00
Request for Confirmation of Status by AIFM	\$ 150.00

Made this  $23^{\rm rd}$  day of December, 2024

Signed
Hon. Justice K. Neville Adderley M.B. (Ret.)
Chairman
The Securities Commission of The Bahamas