



North Sea Transition Authority

NSTA fee rates

With effect from 1 April 2023, the rates of the fees that the NSTA charges for use of its services will be:

Service	Rate from 1 April 2023 (£)
Carbon dioxide storage proposal approval	£670 per staff day
Field development & production programme approval	£670 per staff day
Field development plan approval	£670 per staff day
Consent to a complex pipeline deposit proposal	£670 per staff day
Complex pipeline works authorisation	£670 per staff day
Complex production and flaring and venting consents	£670 per staff day
Amend a carbon dioxide storage permit	£670 per staff day
Review and amend a carbon dioxide storage monitoring plan	£670 per staff day
Amend a carbon dioxide storage work programme	£670 per staff day
Approving methodology for the measurement of petroleum	£1,380
Consent to drill a primary well	£770
Consent to drill a sidetrack well	£770
Consent to fit or refit equipment in a well	£420
Consent to get petroleum from a licensed area	£1,180
Variation of a consent to get petroleum from a licensed area	£1,180
Drill stem test	£250
Extended well test	£860
Consent to flare or vent petroleum from a well	£930
Variation of a consent to flare or vent petroleum from a well	£930
Consent to flare or vent natural gas from a relevant oil processing facility or a relevant gas processing facility	£390
Pipeline works authorisation	£2,960
Category 1 pipeline works authorisation variation	£2,960
Category 2 pipeline works authorisation variation	£1,660
Variation of holder, user, owner or Operator of a pipeline under a pipeline works authorisation	£1,660
Consent to a pipeline deposit proposal	£1,360
Category 2 pipeline works authorisation options variation	£1,660
Pipeline works authorisation and deposit consents granted following cessation of production from a petroleum field	£1,660
Consent to a well suspension	£800
Consent to put back into use a suspended well	£350
Consent to abandon a well permanently	£1,120
Consent to change of licensee	£880
Consent to change of a beneficiary of rights under a licence	£880
Appointment of an operator under a petroleum licence	£730
Consent to extension of a petroleum licence	£5,480
Amendment of a work programme	£5,480
Consent to onshore retention or development area proposals	£1,350
Determination of oil fields	£5,740
Offshore metering examination	£2,770
Onshore metering examination	£2,770
Meter flow calibration	£1,380
Change of licensee of a carbon dioxide appraisal and storage licence	£880
Change of the beneficiary of rights granted by a carbon dioxide appraisal and storage licence	£880
Appointment of an exploration operator under a carbon dioxide appraisal and storage licence	£730
Appointment of a storage operator under a carbon dioxide appraisal and storage licence appointment of storage operator in a CS licence	£730



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Extension of the initial or appraisal term of a carbon dioxide appraisal and storage licence	£5,480
Measurement of carbon dioxide injection flow rate	£2,770
Application for exploration licence	£2,250
Application for methane drainage licence	£180
Application for onshore production licence	£6,020
Application for offshore production licence	£9,210
Application for gas storage licence	£9,030
Application for carbon dioxide appraisal and storage licence	£18,060

These fee rates reflect the costs of the services NSTA provides, in line with the principles in HM Treasury's 'Managing Public Money' document. The NSTA is committing to restricting its costs as far as possible, is not permitted to make any profit from its fees and is required to refund any financial surplus at the end of the year to levy payers.