

# Act on the Compensation of Judges

(Act No. 75 of July 1, 1948)

Article 1 The compensation and other salaries received by judges are governed by the provisions of this Act.

Article 2 The monthly compensation of a judge is to be in accordance with the attached table.

Article 3 The category of compensation or monthly compensation received by each judge, each assistant judge and each summary court judge is specified by the Supreme Court.

Article 4 (1) The compensation of a judge is paid from the day they are appointed; provided, however, that when a person who has lost their position as a judge is appointed as a judge on the same day, their compensation is paid from the following day of their appointment.

(2) If the judge's compensation is increased, the new amount of compensation is paid from the date of the increase.

Article 5 (1) If a judge loses their position, they are to receive compensation until that date.

(2) If a judge dies, their compensation is paid until the month of their death.

Article 6 The compensation of a judge is paid monthly at a time to be specified by the Supreme Court; provided, however, that in the case of the preceding Article it is paid at the time when a judge loses their position or dies.

Article 7 When compensation is paid pursuant to the provisions of Article 4 or Article 5, paragraph (1), the amount of that compensation is calculated on a daily basis, with one twenty-fifth of the monthly compensation amount as the daily compensation amount; provided, however, that if the amount exceeds the monthly amount of compensation, it is to be limited to the monthly compensation.

Article 8 Deleted

Article 9 (1) As specified by the Supreme Court, salary other than compensation is paid to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, Supreme Court Justices, and

high court presidents in the same manner as that of persons listed in Article 1, items (i) through (xlii) of the Act on Remuneration of Government Officials with Special Capacity (Act No. 252 of 1949); to judges and summary court judges who receive the monthly compensation as specified in Article 15 or the compensation in categories 1 through 4 in the same manner as that of officials to whom the Designated Service Salary Schedule is applied under the Act on Remuneration of Officials in the Regular Service Category (Act No. 95 of 1950); and to other type of judges in the same manner as that of general government officials; provided, however, that a special adjustment of compensation, overtime allowances, holiday pay, night shift allowances, and night and day shift allowances are not paid.

- (2) An unaccompanied transfer allowance is paid to the high court presidents, as specified by the Supreme Court, in the same manner as that of general government officials.
- (3) A cold area allowance is paid to the high court presidents who serves in cold areas, as specified by the Supreme Court, in the same manner as that of general government officials.

Article 10 When the government increases the amount of salaries and other wages or provides special salaries for general officials due to significant changes in the cost of living and general wage conditions, the Supreme Court, as specified by other Acts, increases the amount of compensation and other salary or provides special salaries for judges in the same manner as those of general government officials.

Article 11 The detailed regulations concerning the compensation and other salaries of judges are established by the Supreme Court.

### **Supplementary Provisions [Extract]**

Article 15 Until otherwise provided, the monthly compensation for summary court judges may be set at 968,000 yen, limited to special cases, notwithstanding the provisions of Article 2.

Appended Table (Re. Article 2)

Classification	Monthly compensation	
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court	2,016,000 yen	
Justice of the Supreme Court	1,470,000 yen	
Presidents of the Tokyo High Court	1,410,000 yen	
Other high court presidents	1,306,000 yen	
Judges	Category 1	1,178,000 yen
	Category 2	1,038,000 yen

	Category 3	968,000 yen
	Category 4	820,000 yen
	Category 5	708,000 yen
	Category 6	636,000
	Category 7	576,000 yen
	Category 8	518,000 yen
Assistant judges	Category 1	423,000 yen
	Category 2	389,300 yen
	Category 3	367,100 yen
	Category 4	343,800 yen
	Category 5	322,400 yen
	Category 6	307,900 yen
	Category 7	291,400 yen
	Category 8	282,200 yen
	Category 9	263,500 yen
	Category 10	254,800 yen
	Category 11	249,400 yen
	Category 12	244, 000 yen
Summary court judges	Category 1	820,000 yen
	Category 2	708,000 yen
	Category 3	636,000 yen
	Category 4	576,000 yen
	Category 5	440,400 yen
	Category 6	423,000 yen
	Category 7	389,300 yen
	Category 8	367,100 yen
	Category 9	343,800 yen
	Category 10	322,400 yen
	Category 11	307,900 yen
	Category 12	291,400 yen
	Category 13	282,200 yen
	Category 14	263,500 yen
	Category 15	254,800 yen
Category 16	249,400 yen	
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