



OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

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SHERIFF

NOTICE OF STATUTORY CHANGE

Beginning January 1, 2026, the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office will collect all civil process service fees. Payments must be made payable to the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office. We accept payment in cash, check, cashier's check, or money order only.

This change in policy is pursuant to Section 57.280 RSMo which states in part, "1. Sheriffs shall receive a charge for service of any summons, writ, or other order of court, in connection with any civil case, and making on the same either a return indicating service, a non-est return or a nulla bona return, the sum of twenty dollars for each item to be served, except that a sheriff shall receive a charge for service of any subpoena, and making a return on the same, the sum of ten dollars; however, no such charge shall be collected in any proceeding when costs for service are to be paid by the state, county, or municipality. In addition to such charge, the sheriff shall be entitled to receive for each mile actually traveled in serving any summons, writ, subpoena, or other order of court the rate prescribed by the Internal Revenue Service for all allowable expenses for motor vehicle use expressed as an amount per mile, provided that such mileage shall not be charged for more than one subpoena or summons or other writ served in the same cause on the same trip. All of such charges shall be received by the sheriff who is requested to perform the service. **Except as otherwise provided by law, all charges made pursuant to this section shall be collected by the sheriff's office responsible for service and are payable prior to the time the service is rendered;** provided that if the amount of such charge cannot be readily determined, then the sheriff shall receive a deposit based upon the likely amount of such charge, and the balance of such charge shall be payable immediately upon ascertainment of the proper amount of said charge. A sheriff may refuse to perform any service in any action or proceeding, other than when costs for service are waived as provided by law, until the charge provided by this section is paid. Failure to receive the charge shall not affect the validity of the service."

Please call 314-615-4724 if you need clarification or additional assistance.

ST LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE CIVIL FEE SCHEDULE
As of August 28, 2025

Summons	\$46.00
Order	\$46.00
Notice	\$46.00
Motion	\$46.00
Landlord Summons – Service & Posting at Same Address	\$66.00
Landlord Summons – Service & Posting at Different Address	\$72.00
Subpoena	\$36.00
Execution – General	\$46.00
Garnishment	\$46.00
Replevin Order of Delivery	\$76.00
Writ of Attachment and Summons	\$76.00
Order of Publication – Unlawful detainer	\$66.00
Citation	\$46.00
Writ	\$46.00
Body Attachment	\$101.00
Notarizing Signatures on Service Returns (Outside Missouri Only)	\$2.00

Deduct \$6.00 for service address in St. Louis County Government Center.

Eviction Proceedings

Order	\$76.00*
Execution – Landlord-Tenant	\$76.00*
Execution – Unlawful Detainer	\$76.00*
Writ	\$76.00*