

## GSTC Accreditation Fee Schedule

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**Table 1. GSTC Accreditation Fee**

Types	Charged for	Consists of	Amount (USD)
Application Fee	Initial accreditation application*	Base fee	\$4,000
	Each certification decision-making body**	Additional fee	\$4,000
	Each scope of tourism activity (hotels and tour operators)	Additional fee	\$2,000
	Scope extension application for additional GSTC-Recognized Standard(s) or the GSTC Criteria***	Base fee	\$1,000
	Scope extension application for additional Geographical scope****	Base fee	\$500
	<p>* New application to gain GSTC Accreditation for one standard and for one scope of certification types(hotels, tour operators, and destinations).</p> <p>** Initial accreditation is for a single certification decision-making committee; to capacitate additional committees/locations requires an additional review.</p> <p>*** Based on the desk review. If the application requires Office assessment and/or witness assessment, the extra fees will be charged based on the GSTC daily rate, travel time, and expenses.</p> <p><i>Note 1 : Payment is required with application submission.</i></p>		
Assessment Fee	Accreditation assessment	Assessment fee	\$850 per Man-day
		Travel time and expenses	Fee will be determined after the actual travel happens.
	<p><i>Note 1 : GSTC Standard Daily Rate is USD \$850.</i></p> <p><i>Note 2 : The standard daily rate applies for any work including, but not restricted to, assessments, follow-up of nonconformities, complaint investigation, transfer of Accreditation/and/or review of organizational changes.</i></p> <p><i>Note 3 : Travel time is charged at half the GSTC standard daily rate (USD \$425) and applies to a total travel duration of over 4 hours roundtrip from the starting location to the site. Idle time may be included under travel time. Expenses (travel, hotel, food, etc.) shall be charged to the CB based on actual costs incurred.</i></p>		

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Accreditation Decision Fee	Decision of certification body after Completion of assessment or reassessment	Base fee	\$2,000														
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	<p><i>Note 1 : This fee is for decisions to grant, extend, re-accredit, reduce, suspend, or terminate the Accreditation of a CB or to take any disciplinary measures.</i></p> <p><i>Note 2 : If more than one decision process occurs simultaneously (allowing GSTC to make one submission), the fee for each additional decision is reduced to USD \$1,000.</i></p>																
Annual Maintenance Fee	Every January, after initial accreditation	Base fee* (for 1st Scope)	<p><b>Table 2. Annual Maintenance Fee per Number of Certificate Issued</b></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Number of certificate issued</th> <th>Fee (USD)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>0 (zero)**</td> <td>\$500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1-500</td> <td>\$6,500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>501-2,000</td> <td>\$8,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2,001-4,000</td> <td>\$11,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4,001-6,000</td> <td>\$15,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6,001+</td> <td>\$20,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Number of certificate issued	Fee (USD)	0 (zero)**	\$500	1-500	\$6,500	501-2,000	\$8,000	2,001-4,000	\$11,000	4,001-6,000	\$15,000	6,001+	\$20,000
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<p>* The fee for each additional scope is half the above. For example, 1st scope might be for hotels/accommodations, and a 2nd scope for tour operators would be charged at half the above rates.</p> <p>** Fee to maintain accreditation status current during any periods of non-activity.</p> <p><i>Note 1 : Please note that the Annual Maintenance Fee covers the cost for GSTC Accreditation Services, which is applicable to CBs that meet certain conditions in terms of their certificate portfolio size outlined in Table 2.</i></p> <p><i>Note 2 : For initial accreditation, the fee in Table 2 will be calculated on a daily basis from the date of initial accreditation to December 31 of the year.</i></p>																	

**Table 3. Sample scenarios applying Table 2**

Sample scenarios:	Fee for Hotels	Fee for TO's	Total GSTC fees per CB
AAA CB certifies 188 hotels	\$6,500	None	\$6,500
BBB CB certifies 1200 hotels	\$8,000	None	\$8,000
CCC CB certifies 900 hotels plus 40 TO's	\$8,000	\$3,250	\$11,250
DDD CB certifies 2100 hotels	\$11,000	None	\$11,000
EEE CB certifies 400 TO's	None	\$6,500	\$6,500
XYZ CB certifies 600 hotels and 30 TO's	\$8,000	\$3,250	\$11,250