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Q: How much do I have to pay?

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Q: When do I make the payment?

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Q: How do I pay?

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- US Dollars \$: All other countries

Q: Can I request a fee waiver?

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