

54.1 Taxation of Costs.

- (a) **Handbook.** Attorneys should read the Bill of Costs Handbook available on the court’s Web page, <http://www.ned.uscourts.gov/plans-and-policies> > “Bill of Costs Form (Handbook),” or from the clerk before submitting a bill of costs or filing a response to a bill of costs.
- (b) **Bill of Costs; When Filed; Form.** A party entitled to recover costs must file within 30 days after entry of judgment a verified bill of costs on a form available on the court’s Web page, www.ned.uscourts.gov/forms > “Bill of Costs Form” or from the clerk. Post-trial motions do not extend the time for filing a verified bill of costs under this rule.
- (c) **To Whom Payable.** Except in (1) suits for civil penalties for violations of criminal statutes and (2) government cases not handled by the Department of Justice, all taxed costs are payable directly to the entitled party and not to the clerk, unless the court orders otherwise.
- (d) **Waiver of Costs.** A party failing to file a bill of costs within the time allowed waives taxable costs.
- (e) **Attorney’s Fees Excluded.** “Costs” as used in this rule does not include attorney’s fees. For attorney fee awards, see Nebraska Civil Rule 54.3.