



## **SAGE Rate Reporter Results of the last 12 months, ending February 2024**

- All rates are per day, unless indicated otherwise.
- All offers were accepted, except an offer of R25 000 per week for a feature film.
- 60% of the job offers were based in Johannesburg.
- 82% of the respondents are SAGE members.
- The level of experience is not recorded.

### **Top 3 Editing Software:**

- 1) Premiere Pro
- 2) AVID Media Composer
- 3) Da Vinci Resolve

### **Top 3 Genres:**

- 1) Tie between Drama and Documentary
- 2) Feature film
- 3) Tie between Reality and Wildlife

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### **Freelance Editors**

Daily Average Rate (across all levels of experience and expertise): R4013

### **Highest 3 rates:**

- 1) R9000 per day for an international variety project, over a period of 5 months;
- 2) R6500 per day for commercials in Johannesburg;
- 3) R6400 per day for a feature film in Durban, over 3 to 6 months.

### **Lowest 3 rates:**

- 1) R1000 per day, for promos in Johannesburg, and a documentary in Cape Town;
- 2) R2000 per day for a documentary in Cape Town, over 6 weeks;
- 3) R2250 per day for a trailer in Johannesburg.

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**Full time Editors**

Though most of the editing job offers received were for freelance or contract work, two were for permanent positions, offering R20 000 (Reality) per month and R18 000 (Comedy) per month.

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**Assistant editors**

Average: R6135 per week;  
Highest rate offered was R8500 per week, followed by R8000 per week;  
Lowest was R3750 per week.

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**Sound editor**

One sound editor was offered R2500 per day for final mix, over a one-year period.

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**Online and Grading**

We received three responses in these categories.

One online editor was offered R4000 per day in Cape Town, for a 2-week period;  
One full time colourist received R2000 per day over 3 years in Johannesburg;  
One colourist in Cape Town was offered R15 000 - R20 000 per episode, gear included.

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**3D, Motion Graphics and GFX**

We received few responses in these categories. The most required software was After Effects. Blender was used for 3D.

Highest: R4 000 per day;  
Lowest: R1 150 per day.