

SRA Transparency Rules

Immigration applications for members of the public

Indicative Pricing

The below pricing information is intended as a guide only and the fee may vary and will depend on your particular circumstances. Where your circumstances change, complex issues arise or where the initial instruction subsequently necessitates additional work, the fee will also vary and we will inform you of this and provide revised costs information.

| Type of application | Estimate of fees*(Entry clearance & Leave to remain) | Estimate of fees*(Settlement) |
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| Family visas | £4,500 – £5,500 | £5,000 – £6,500 |
| British citizenship | £1,000 – £1,500 | - |
| Permanent residence for EEA nationals and their family members | £1,500 – £2,500 | - |
| Entry document for EEA nationals | £1,250 – £1,750 | - |
| Temporary residence for non-EEA family members | £1,250 – £1,750 | - |
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| British citizenship for children | £1,000 – £1,500 | - |
| Sole representative of an overseas business | £2,000 – £2,500 | £2,500 – £3,000 |
| Entrepreneurs | £6,000 – £8,000 | £6,500 – £8,500 |
| Investors | £6,000 – £8,000 | £6,500 – £8,500 |
| Visitors | £750 – £1,250 | - |

* These figures are exclusive of disbursements and VAT (if applicable), and are based on our current hourly rates.

The hourly rates of the principal personnel likely to be involved in providing the advice range from £600 to £650 for partners, and £255 to £520 for trainees, paralegals and assistant solicitors. These hourly rates are exclusive of disbursements and VAT (if applicable), and are customarily reviewed each year with effect from 1st May.

In handling client matters we attempt to use the personnel with the lowest hourly billing rates that are commensurate with the degree of specialisation and level of experience required in order to achieve our client's objectives in a timely manner.

Key stages

Work on a UK immigration application will typically involve:

- discussing your circumstances and the background to your application to establish the grounds under which you will apply;
- advising you in respect of the requirements of your particular UK immigration application;
- considering the supporting evidence required for your UK immigration application and providing you with a list of supporting documents;
- conducting a review of the supporting evidence and advising of any additional information or documentation required prior to filing the UK immigration application; and
- assisting with the preparation and submission of your UK immigration application.

The stages set out above are an indication only. Where unforeseen circumstances arise, the fee may be revised upwards to reflect additional work carried out. We will inform you of this and provide revised costs information.

Factors that could make a case more complex

Our pricing is based on various assumptions, including that:

- there are no complications with your application and we are not asking for discretion;
- you are able to provide the required documents, on a timely basis, and together rather than on a piecemeal basis;
- you meet the full requirements of your UK immigration application and we are not required to explore alternative visa categories;
- we are not required to draft supporting letters from any third party (such as a bank); and
- we are not required to make representations to the Home Office for urgent treatment at any stage of the UK immigration application process;
- we are not required to advise or coordinate in relation to any independent expert reports (e.g. medical reports) – these are not typically required for UK immigration applications;
- the application is not refused or rejected, which would require considerable additional assistance outside the scope of work set out above; and
- you are applying independently and will not be accompanied by any dependants (e.g. a partner or children under 18). If you are applying with dependants, additional fees will apply.

Disbursements

Our fees are exclusive of disbursements, which are the costs related to your matter that are payable to third parties, including Home Office fees for making the application and optional priority services. We will advise in relation to the extent of these additional fees at the appropriate point.

How long will my matter take?

We cannot guarantee how long the Home Office will take to process your application. You can obtain further information on their current processing times on their website at <https://www.gov.uk/visa-processing-times> to get a rough indication of how long processing will take, but this can vary from case-to-case depending on the complexity of the application and the volume of applications under consideration with the Home Office at the time. There may be other factors which impact these timescales.