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Immigration Law – Pricing FAQs

Question	Answer
What will the total cost of the service be or, where not practicable, the average cost or range of costs?	Each immigration application will be different, and our fees will reflect the particular requirements and complexities of the matter. We are therefore unable to give you a reliable estimate or fixed fee of the costs of us acting for you. We can only do this once we have all material facts of your case and the application you intend to make. Nevertheless, we have set out below an indication of our fees based on the particular type of immigration application required to be made.
What is the basis for your charges, including any hourly rates or fixed fees?	At the outset, our clients are offered the choice of whether they wish us to charge on a time-spent basis or fixed fees. Our hourly rate for a Partner working on your matter will be £475 plus VAT.
What is the experience and qualifications of anyone carrying out the work, and of their supervisors?	Our Immigration team are well placed to advise and guide you through your matter and advise on the best solutions for you.
	Details of our team can be found in the Immigration section of our website.
Please provide a description of, and the cost of, any likely disbursements, and where the actual cost of a disbursement is not known, the average cost or range of costs.	As part of assisting with your application, we may incur various disbursements for which you will be liable. UK Visas and Immigration fees and are the most likely disbursements for this type of matter but examples of other disbursements may be Counsel's fees, courier/postage fees, travel charges, translation fees etc. We will explain to you any reasonably foreseeable expenses we may have to make on your behalf. If disbursements are incurred in a currency other than GBP these will normally be calculated and invoiced to you using the banking exchange rate on the date of payment.
	UK Visas and Immigration and Home Office fees can be found on their website: www.gov.uk/government/publications/visa-regulations-revised-table
	UK Visas and Immigration have outsourced some application administration tasks to private companies who charge their own fees for certain services such as the processing of biometric enrolment, appointment premium lounges, uploading of documents etc.
	For applications made within the UK, services are provided for by Sopra Steria and details of their services be found on their website: www.ukvcas.co.uk/additional-services



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	For applications made overseas, services are outsourced either to VFS Global or Teleperformance, depending on where the application is filed. Details can be found on the website of the relevant company: www.vfsglobal.com/en/individuals/index.html
	uk.tlscontact.com/
Please advise whether any fees or disbursements attract VAT and if so the amount of VAT they attract?	Our fees and most disbursements are subject to VAT. VAT is currently set at 20%.
services are included in the price displayed, including the key stages of the matter and likely timescales for each stage, and details of any services that might reasonably be expected to be included in the price displayed but are not?	Immigration, the key stages and work will involve the following: - Meeting with you through your preferred means (face-to-face, email, telephone, video call), taking your instructions and providing clear advice. - Providing legal advice on the relevant Immigration Rules and the type of application required to be made. Assessing suitability of that application and any alternative options. - Advising on a detailed list of documents required for the type of application being made. - Reviewing and advising on the suitability of documents provided. Advising on any further documentation required
	for the application. - Drafting and reviewing visa application form(s). - Advising on the application process and assisting with filing the application and booking a biometric appointment. - Collating supporting documents, preparing the final application, and uploading documents to UKVI's portal. - Drafting a detailed letter of representation to accompany application. - Where necessary, liaising with UK Visas and Immigration and the Home Office after submission of your application. - Advising on the outcome of the application, future steps and any conditions attached to your visa.
	Application processing times and procedures are subject UK Visas and Immigration's service standards. The processing times and procedures will vary depending on the type of application being made, whether you are filing from inside the UK or overseas and whether you pay for your application to be considered on an expedited basis (will vary depending on location).
	On average applications are processed in between 24 hours to 8 weeks depending on the level of service purchased at the time the application is submitted. Please see link to UKVI's service standards:



	https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-visas- and-immigration/about-our-services
	Nationality applications can take up to 6 months to be considered by UKVI.
If you use conditional fee or damages based agreements, please specify the circumstances in which clients may have to make any payments themselves for your services (including from any damages)?	This is very unlikely to be applicable to immigration matters.



Employment and Immigration: Pricing Information (all figures to have VAT added)

Visitor Visa	£1,500 - £3,000
Applications under the EU Settlement Scheme	£1,500 - £2,500
Innovator - Stage 1	£6,000 - £13,000
Innovator - Stage 2	£3,000 - £5,000
Start-up - Stage 1	£6,000 - £13,000
Start-up - Stage 2	£3,000 - £5,000
Global Talent - Stage 1	£3,000 - £6,000
Global Talent - Stage 2	£1,500 - £3,000
Skilled Worker - (instructed by main applicant and not	£1,500 - £3,000 (£250 per dependant)
PBS dependant - not applying with main applicant	£1,500 + £250 per dependent child
Temporary Worker - Government Authorised Exchange	£1,500 - £2,500
Temporary Worker - Youth Mobility	£1,500 - £2,500
Temporary Worker - Creative	£1,500 - £2,500
PBS Dependants applying alone	£1,750 - £3,000
Spouse/Civil Partner/Unmarried Partner Settlement - Entry	£3,000 - £5,000
Spouse/Civil Partner/Unmarried Partner Settlement	£3,000 - £5,000
- Further Leave to Remain	
Spouse/Civil Partner/Unmarried Partner Settlement - ILR	£3,500 - £6,000
Child Settlement	£2,500 - £5,000
Elderly Dependants Settlement	£6,000 - £8,000
Sole Representative – Initial	£4,000 - £8,000
Sole Representative – Extension	£4,000 - £8,000
Sole Representative – ILR	£5,000 - £8,000
Turkish businessperson visa	£3,000 - £6,000
No Time Limit (NTL)	£1,000 - £2,000
Replacement BRP	£1,000 - £2,000
Transfer of Conditions (TOC)	£1,000 - £2,000
ILR (Applying as a Tier 2 migrant)	£2,000 - £4,000
ILR 10 Year Long Residence	£4,000 - £6,000
UK Ancestry — Initial	£2,000 - £4,000
UK Ancestry – Extension	£2,000 - £4,000
UK Ancestry – ILR	£3,000 - £5,000
Naturalisation incl passport application	£2,000 - £4,000
Registration MN(1)	£2,000 - £4,000
Appeals	£5,000 - £10,000