Transparency in price and service

Individual applications – British Citizenship/Ancestry/Long Residence and other types of Visa – Indicative Costs

Our hourly rates range from £250 to £479 per hour plus VAT. As such VAT will be payable at the current rate of 20%, in addition to our fees and disbursements (where applicable). Our fees are reviewed annually on 1 April.

Hourly Rate Fees Table

Hourly Rate (Excl. VAT)	VAT (20%)	Hourly Rate (Incl. VAT)
£250.00	£50.00	£300.00
£289.00	£57.80	£346.80
£339.00	£67.80	£406.80
£419.00	£83.80	£502.80
£438.00	£87.60	£525.60
£479.00	£95.80	£574.80

On average, this type of work takes between 10-20 hours to complete depending on the complexity of the application. This means that, depending on the solicitor who has conduct of your matter on average costs will range from £2,500-£5,000 to £4,400-£8,800. All figures exclude VAT.

The exact number of hours it will take depends on the circumstances in your case. Such as:

- The amount of supporting evidence that we need to consider
- Which language(s) you speak
- Whether you are applying with other dependants

If you are able to provide sufficient evidence at our first meeting and clearly meet the applicable Immigration Rules, the cost is likely to be at the lower end of this range. In any event, we will always aim to keep fees as low as possible.

What services are included?

The work will involve:

- discussing your circumstances in detail and confirming whether this is the most appropriate application for you to make and what other options may be available to you;
- giving you advice about the requirements of the Immigration Rules and whether you meet the criteria.
- if you do not fulfil certain criteria, whether this can be overcome and how, which on average takes 3-6 hours;
- considering the supporting evidence you have provided, which we anticipate will take 3-6 hours*;
- where necessary, helping you obtain further evidence (such as medical records and bank statements), including taking statements of any witnesses;
- preparing your application and submitting it on your behalf, which we anticipate will take 5-7 hours:
- giving you advice about the outcome of the application and any further steps you need to take.

We may also recommend the use of a specialist Barrister at any stage for more complex matters. Fees for this will be charged separately as a disbursement in full consultation with you.

*the amount of hours depends on the number of documents, whether they need to be translated, whether anything is missing and how long it will take to obtain the missing documents Disbursements (not included in costs set out above):

<u>Disbursements are costs related to your matter that are payable to third parties, such as visa fees.</u>

We handle the payment of the disbursements on your behalf to ensure a smoother process.

Barristers fees;

Interpreters fees which will depend on a case by case basis;

• Independent expert reports e.g. medical experts. These are not required in many cases: we will let you know as soon as possible if we consider an expert report is necessary.

The costs quoted here do not include:

- Any Home Office fees for making the application. You will pay this to the Home Office directly
 as part of the application process and will depend on the nature of the application.
- Where the Home Office refuse your application, advice and assistance in relation to any appeal

How long will my application take?

We cannot guarantee how long the Home Office will take to process your application. Application timeframes differ depending on the nature of the application and details of typical processing times can be found on the UKVI/Home Office websites.

We will normally be able to submit this type of application within 6 - 8 weeks of you instructing us, but we will let you know at the earliest opportunity if it is likely to take longer than this.

Please note the anticipated number of hours and fees are an estimate based on the facts above. All applications are likely to vary and of course, we can give you a more accurate estimate once we have more information about your specific case.

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