## Immigration Services FAQs and Info



Question	Answer
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.  Professional fees will be subject to VAT at 20% where this is applicable.
	<ul> <li>Partners - £350 - £400</li> <li>Senior Associates - £250 - £300</li> <li>Associates - £150 - £250</li> <li>Paralegals, legal assistants, and other fee earners - £100 - £150</li> <li>As each matter will involve work by a partner, an associate or senior associate and a paralegal/legal assistant the estimate of hours is based on an average hourly rate of £300 to reflect the involvement of lawyers at different levels.</li> </ul>
What is the experience and qualifications of anyone carrying out the work, and of their supervisors?	Our Immigration team is placed to advise and guide you through your matter and advise on the best solutions for you. Our Immigration team is a led by Pav Benning, an experienced Senior Immigration Solicitor who supervises all immigration matters.  Details of our legal team can be found in our Meet the Team section of our website.
What will be the total cost of the service or, where not practicable, the average cost or range of costs?	The estimates set out below have been provided to give a range of likely professional fees for standard immigration applications.  Each immigration application will be different, and our fees will reflect the particular requirements and complexities of the matter, such as a past refusal, convictions, or breach of immigration conditions.  Once we have all material facts of your case, and the nature of the assistance you require, we will then be able to provide you with a reliable estimate of our fixed fee of the costs of us acting for you.



Pls 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 incurvarious 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:

- Courier/postage fees
- Reasonable travel charges
- Document translation fees
- Translator fees
- Counsel fees
- Instructing medical experts/reports
- Notary fees

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:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/visa-regulations-revised-table/home-office-immigration-and-nationality-fees-12-november-2020

Note - We do not take payment on account for Home Office fees. You will be informed on engagement, the likely Home Office fee you are likely to incur.

UK Visas and Immigration have outsourced application administration tasks to third party 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

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%.

Note - If you do not hold leave to remain or enter, or have never held leave to remain and enter any time



	previously, our professional fees will not be subject to
	VAT.
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
Are you able to specify the details of which 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	Where you are making an application to UK Visas and Immigration, the key stages and work will involve the following:
	<ul> <li>Meeting with you through your preferred means (face-to-face, email, telephone, video call), taking your instructions and providing clear advice.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>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.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Advising on a detailed list of supporting documents required for the type of application being made.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Reviewing and advising on the suitability of supporting documents provided.</li> </ul>
	Advising on any further documentation which may strengthen your application
	Drafting visa application form(s).
	<ul> <li>Advising on the application process and assisting with filing the application and booking a biometric appointment.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Collating supporting documents, preparing the final application and uploading documents to relevant document upload portal (UKVCAS, TLS, VFS, Jerrys)</li> </ul>
	Drafting a detailed letter of representation to accompany application.
	<ul> <li>Where necessary, liaising with UK Visas and Immigration and the Home Office after</li> <li>submission of your application</li> </ul>
	Advising on the outcome of the application, future steps and any conditions attached to your visa
	File Closure



## **Timescales**

Note that that the following factors:

- Priority service is not available to all types of Immigration applications
- British Naturalisation applications and applications for nationality reconsideration can take up to 6 months to be considered by the UKVI
- If you have been charged, cautioned, awaiting trial for a criminal offence, this may have an adverse effect on UKVI processing times
- Unforeseen delay's may be caused by third party experts instructed to prepare reports or documents

Due to the worldwide response to COVID-19, UK Visas & Immigration Services are currently limited and usual service standards may not be met. Whilst UKVI has started to reopen some of its locations and services, this is not a full resumption of services.

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, such as 24-hour Priority Service, 5-day priority service and standard applications.

Please see link for full details of UKVI's service standards:

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-visas-and-immigration/about-our-services



## Immigration Services: Pricing Information (VAT to added)

£5,500 - £7,500
£4,000 - £7,500
£4,500 - £8,000
£3,000 - £6,000
£6,000 - £9,500
£6,000 - £8,500
£8,000 - £9,500
£5,500 - £9,500
£6,000 - £9,500
£3,500 - £8,000
£3,500 - £8,000
£3,000 - £6,000
£1,500 - £3,000
£1,200 - £3,000 (£250 per dependent)
£1,200 + £250 per dependent child
£1,500 - £2,500
£1,500 - £2,500
£1,500 - £2,000
£2,000 - £3,500
£2,000 - £3,500
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£4,000 - £6,000
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UK Ancestry – ILR	£3,000 - £5,000
British Naturalisation incl: passport application	£2,000 - £4,000
Registration MN (1)	£2,000 - £3,500
Immigration Tribunal Appeals	£5,000 - £10,000
Administrative Review	£2,000 - £4,000
Visitor Visa (all types)	£1,200 - £2,500
Applications under the EEA Regulations	£1,500 - £3,500
Applications under the EU Settlement Scheme	£1,500 - £2,500
Challenging Deportation Notices	£2,000 - £4,000
No Time Limit (NTL)	£1,000 - £2,000
Replacement BRP	£1,000 - £2,000
Transfer of Conditions (TOC)	£1,000 - £2,000