

### **IMMIGRATION**

Our pricing for the preparation and submission of immigration applications are typically charged as a fixed fee, however some circumstances may require additional work as set out below and this work would be carried out on an hourly rate basis.

Our hourly rates are: £ 175 – £400 (excluding VAT)

# **Pricing**

Type of application	Average Legal Fee (excluding VAT)	Average Timescale for Legal Work
Naturalisation or Registration under the British Nationality Act 1981	£1,500	3 hours
Applications on behalf of EEA nationals and their family members under the applicable EEA Regulations or Immigration Rules, including applications for permanent residence, residence cards and registration certificates	£600 - £2,000	2 – 7 hours depending on complexity of the case
Student and work experience visas	£1,100 - £2,000	4 – 7 hours
Visit visas (for tourism or visiting friends/family)	£600	3 hours
Spouse and partner applications, including fiancé(e)s or proposed civil partners	£950 - £2,000	3 – 7 hours
Applications for work, business or study under the Points-Based System	£600 - £1,500	2 – 5 hours
Dependent relative and family reunion applications	£250 - £2,000	2 – 7 hours
Ancestry visas	£950 - £1,100	3 – 5 hours
Other application categories, such as applications on the basis of long residence	£950 - £2,500	3 – 8 hours

## Examples of potential factors that could lead to additional costs

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 documents need to be translated
- Whether any documents are missing
- Whether you are applying with other dependants
- Whether you are a first-time applicant or seeking an extension.

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.

#### 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 2 hours;
- Considering the supporting evidence you have provided, which we anticipate will take 1 to 5 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 2 to 3 hours;
- Attendance at a Home Office interview: if the Home Office ask you to attend an interview, we will give you clear advice (and discuss the possibility of us attending with you) at the appropriate time. This could be between 1 and 2 hours of work.
- Giving you advice about the outcome of the application and any further steps you need to take.

#### Disbursements

Disbursements are costs related to your matter that are payable to third parties, such as visa fees. We handle the payment of the disbursements on your behalf to ensure a smoother process. We request disbursements to be paid in advance.

- 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.
- If there is an interview and we do attend with you, there will be additional disbursements in respect of our mileage/travel expenses.

The costs quoted here do not include:

- Any <u>Home Office fees</u> for making the application. You will pay this to the Home Office directly as part of the application process.
- 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. Read the current processing times.

We will normally be able to prepare and submit your application within 4 to 6 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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