

## Immigration

The table below sets out the estimated costs for the various types of application with which we can assist.

To give an indication of what our fees are likely to be, we have set out a range below for the applications we can assist with. Sometimes Value Added Tax (VAT) on immigration fees is not payable as it depends on if your usual place of residence is in the UK. We will advise you whether VAT at a rate of 20% is payable when we confirm your instructions.

<b>Applications for entry clearance:</b>	<b>Estimated range of costs (excluding 20% VAT)</b>
Tier 2 (sponsored employment)	£1,250 - £2,500
Tier 1 (investor or entrepreneur)	£7,500 - £15,000
Spouse or partner	£5,000 - £10,000
Dependant relative/family reunion	N/A – we do not assist with these types of applications
Ancestry	£2,500 - £5,000
Visit visa (for business purposes)	£1,250 - £2,500
<b>Applications for further leave to remain:</b>	
Tier 2 (sponsored employment)	£1,250 - £2,500
Tier 1 (investor or entrepreneur)	£7,500 - £15,000
Spouse or partner	£5,000 - £10,000
Dependant relative/family reunion	N/A – we do not assist with these types of applications
Ancestry	£2,500 - £5,000
Visit visa (for business purposes)	N/A
<b>Applications for indefinite leave to remain:</b>	
Tier 2 (sponsored employment)	£2,500 - £5,000
Tier 1 (investor or entrepreneur)	£7,500 - £15,000
Spouse or partner	£5,000 - £10,000
Dependant relative/family reunion	N/A – we do not assist with these types of applications
Ancestry	£2,500 - £5,000
Visit visa (for business purposes)	N/A

Long residence	
<b>Applications for naturalisation</b>	£2,500 - £5,000 plus 20 % VAT

<b>Applications for permanent residence/residence cards/registration certificates/settled status</b>	£500 - £5,000 plus 20 % VAT
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There is a difference between the lower and upper estimates because cases vary considerably. The facts of your case will determine the seniority of the solicitor who is handling your claim, as will where they are based. Hourly rates range from £175 (excluding VAT) for a newly qualified solicitor (outside London) to £550 (excluding VAT) for our London-based Head of Immigration. VAT will be added to our fees at a rate of 20%.

The exact costs depend on the circumstances in your case, including:

- the amount of supporting evidence that we need to consider;
- which language(s) you speak; and
- 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.

**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;
- considering the supporting evidence you have provided\*;
- 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; and
- giving you advice about the outcome of the application and any further steps you need to take.

\*The length of time needed to consider your supporting evidence will depend on the number of documents, whether they need to be translated, whether anything is missing and how long it will take to obtain any missing documents.

The cost of attending a Home Office interview is not included in the above range of costs. If the Home Office asks you to attend an interview, we will give you clear advice (and discuss the possibility of us attending with you) at the appropriate time and advise you of the cost of this, based on the hourly rates above.

## **What is not included in the costs set out above?**

### **Appeals**

The costs set out above do not include advice and assistance in relation to any appeal where the Home Office refuses your application.

### **Disbursements (not included in the costs set out above)**

Disbursements are costs related to your matter that are payable to third parties, such as visa fees. We can handle the payment of the disbursements on your behalf to ensure a smoother process. There may be a number of different disbursements associated with your application, all of which will be payable in addition to the costs set out above:

- Interpreters' fees at £100 per hour on average: applications will normally require between 215 hours with an interpreter, depending on the complexity of your case and how much support you require. The hourly rate will vary depending on your native language.
- 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.
- Home Office fees for making the application: you will pay these to the Home Office directly as part of the application process.

Where applicable, VAT will be charged at a rate of 20%.

### **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 submit your application within two to four 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 that the estimated range of costs are based on the facts above. All applications are likely to vary and we can of course give you a more accurate estimate once we have more information about your specific case.

