

Immigration

How long will my application take?

The time taken for submitting your application will depend on the type of application you are making and your personal circumstances. We will be able to give you an estimate of the time it may take once we have information about your specific case. Please let us know at the outset if there are any significant deadlines in relation to your immigration application (for example, the expiry of your current immigration status).

We cannot guarantee how long the Home Office will take to process your application. See the current processing times here (<https://www.gov.uk/visa-processing-times>).

Services included:

The work we do for you will involve:

- Discussing your circumstances in detail and confirming the most appropriate application for you to make;
- 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;
- 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 and let you know the extent to which further costs will need to be incurred; and
- Giving you advice about the outcome of the application and any further steps you need to take.

Our fees

General

Our fees are based on the amount of time it takes us to complete your application and the seniority and experience of the lawyers and other fee earners working on your matter. They will be specifically agreed with you at the outset once we know the details and circumstances involved.

Our current charge rates range from £250 for a newly/recently qualified solicitor to £500 for a senior partner/consultant.

The table below provides an outline of our typical charges for immigration applications:

Work	Our Fees
Applications for Naturalisation or Registration as a British Citizen	Our charges typically range between £2,500 and £5,000
Applications for permission to come to the UK (leave to enter) and permission to stay in the UK (leave to remain)	Our charges typically range between £2,000 and £5,000
Applications on behalf of EU/EEA Nationals and their family members including applications for permanent residence, registration certificates and settled status	Our charges typically range between £1,500 and £5,000
Applications under Tier 1 of the Points Based System (Investor and Global Talent visas)	Our charges typically range between £5,000 and £10,000
Applications for Skilled Worker and Intra-Company Transfer visas and applications under Tiers 4 and 5 of the Points Based System (for example students and Youth Mobility Scheme visas)	Our charges typically range between £1,500 and £4,000
Sponsor licence applications	Our charges typically range between £5,000 and £10,000

For complex matters, we may charge higher fees than those listed above. Factors that may result in a matter being more complex include, but are not limited to, situations where:

- Interpreters are required;
- There are additional family members applying at the same time;
- The client has an adverse or complicated immigration history - including breaches of the immigration rules or a history of overstaying;
- There is significant supporting evidence to be considered;
- The Home Office refuses the application; or
- It is necessary to instruct counsel.

The costs quoted above do not include Home Office fees for making the application. You will pay these fees to the Home Office directly as part of the application process. By way of example, the current fee for an application for Indefinite Leave to Remain is £2,389.

Disbursements

Disbursements are costs related to your matter that are payable to third parties. We handle the payment of the disbursements on your behalf to ensure a smoother process, however disbursements are not included in our fee ranges.

Disbursements may include:

- Translation fees;
- Interpreters' fees. If an interpreter is required, we will discuss this with you at the onset of the matter;
- Independent expert reports or advice from counsel. These are not required in many cases: we will let you know as soon as possible if we consider an expert report is necessary and the cost involved.;
- Travel expenses. If we attend an interview with you, there may be additional disbursements in relation to our travel expenditure. Where possible, these will be explained to you before they are incurred.;
- Photocopying. Any photocopying that is required will be charged at a commercial rate. This would usually be no more than £100 plus VAT where relevant.

VAT

VAT is payable at 20% on all legal fees and taxable disbursements.

Our team

You may review the experience and qualifications of our Immigration Team [here](#).