

Private Immigration Fees

Our costs for advising individuals on immigration matters are, unless otherwise stated or agreed, based solely on the amount of time we spend on each matter. Generally we will provide you with a fixed price for the work you ask us to undertake.

We will discuss with you the work that will be entailed and the other costs associated with undertaking the work, such as Home Office fees, at the outset of our work for you.

We have set out a schedule of costs below, which provides you with more information about our fees. Our fees may vary considerably depending on the merits of the application therefore this is not a quotation of what the work will cost but provides a guide of likely charges based upon our experience of dealing with these matters.

When we take initial instructions from you we will provide you with a quoted fee for the work that will be undertaken. Generally, this will be the price that you pay. However, matters may arise which were not foreseen at the outset, which increase the complexity of the matter or the work we need to undertake on your behalf. If that occurs we will advise you in writing of the issue that has arisen and the effect that has had on the initial quote. Before carrying out further work we will seek your agreement to the revised fee.

Factors which might make a matter more complex and therefore more expensive include:

1. Previous criminal convictions, or conduct which the Home Office may take into account when considering if you are of good character;
2. A previous history of non-compliance with immigration laws either in the UK or elsewhere;
3. Being required to attend a Home Office Interview;
4. A change in your personal circumstances after we provide our cost estimate.

VAT must be added to our fees at the rate of 20%. In addition to our fees there will frequently be disbursements which we will need to be paid as part of the application process. We will incur these costs on your behalf, therefore we will ask for money on account of them before they are incurred.

Depending on the type of application some of the different varieties of cost which might need to be incurred are:

1. Fees charged by the Home Office. The fees charged by the Home Office can be found on the Home Office website at [UK visa fees](#).
2. Service charges made by the Home Offices Commercial Partners at overseas Visa Application Centres. These charges will vary from country to country but can be accessed on the Home Office website [here](#)
3. Service charges made by the Home Office's commercial partner Sopra Steria, in relation to appointments to enroll biometric data in the UK, can be accessed [here](#).
4. Charges made by The National Recognition Information Centre of the United Kingdom (NARIC), the UK's agency for recognising international qualification and skills can be accessed [here](#).
5. Costs incurred in obtaining any relevant medical certificates.
6. If documents are in a language other than English it will be necessary to obtain an official translation;

7. If we need to obtain advice from a barrister, these costs will be in addition to our charges. We will discuss this with you in advance of incurring any costs.

Private Immigration	Fee
Initial Consultation	£300 - £600
Start up & Innovator Application	£3,000 - £5,000
Sole Representative of an Overseas Business	£4,500 - £7,000
Skilled Worker Visa Application	£1,500 - £3,000
Global Talent Visa Application	£2,000 - £4,000
ICT Visa Application	£1,000 - £2,500
Investor Visa Application	£4,000 - £14,000
Dependent applying with the main applicant	£1,000 - £4,000
EU Settlement Scheme Applications	£800 - £1,500
Evidence of existing immigration permission	£500 - £5,000
Visit Visa	£1,500 - £3,000
Application for British Citizenship	£2,500 - £5,000
Ancestry Visa	£2,500 - £4,500
Spouse Visa	£2,500 - £4,500
UK Passport Application	£500 - £1,500
Limited leave to remain in the UK	£2,000 - £15,000
Indefinite leave to remain in the UK	£2,000 - £15,000

The fees summarised above set out the typical costs of applications. All of these fees are based on a standardised scope of services which cover the entire end to end process of the application process, and typically involve the following:

- Discussing the circumstances of your application, reviewing past and current immigration documents and any other relevant documents;
- Advising on the options available to you, considering the legal requirements for available immigration routes and whether you meet them now or could do at a future time;
- Advising you on the supporting evidence required for your application;

- Reviewing the supporting evidence provided to us and advising you of any further evidence which may be required and helping you to obtain that evidence. For example, advising you whether further documents are required to establish residence in the UK, which documents and over what period of time, or the documents required to establish English language ability;
- Preparing your application on your behalf;
- Submitting the application, paying any necessary government fees, booking the biometric appointment and providing you with the application bundle including a cover letter;
- Keeping you updated on the progress of your application and corresponding with the Home Office, if required, whilst your application is being processed by the Home Office, and
- Advising you about the Home Office's decision on your application and checking to make sure that your grant of leave has been issued correctly; and
- Providing you with a briefing on the conditions of your grant of leave.

How long will my matter take?

Typically we would expect to have your application ready for submission within two to four weeks, however this depends on a variety of factors, including how quickly you are able to provide relevant documents to us, the complexity of your application and the length of time it takes to obtain any translations and/or medical certificates.

Once your application has been submitted, progress will depend upon Home Office processing times and the availability of appointments for enrolling biometric details. The Home Office publishes general processing times for immigration applications here. Please contact a member of our team to discuss your individual circumstances in more detail.

We have four members of the team who may work on your matter. Regardless of who works on your matter, Barry Stanton who is a partner in the Employment Team has responsibility for supervising the Immigration Team; Chris Harber is the Head of the Immigration Team. We will let you know who will be undertaking your work in advance of commencing work.