

VHCC RATES OF PAY
Effective from 13 November 2008

Preparation (hourly rates)

	Category 1 (£)	Category 2 (£)	Category 3 (£)	Category 4 (£)	Standard Rates (£)
Solicitor					
Level A sol	152.50	119.00	95.50	95.50	55.75
Level B sol	133.00	104.50	83.50	83.50	47.25
Level C sol	88.50	69.00	54.00	54.00	34.00
Pupil/junior ¹	48.00	38.50	31.50	31.50	
Counsel					
QC	152.50	119.00	95.50	95.50	
Leading junior	133.00	104.50	83.50	83.50	
Led junior	95.50	76.00	65.00	65.00	
Junior alone	104.50	85.50	74.00	74.00	
2nd Led junior	67.00	53.00	46.00	46.00	
Solicitor Advocate					
Leading level A	152.50	119.00	95.50	95.50	
Led level A	133.00	104.50	83.50	83.50	
Leading level B	133.00	104.50	83.50	83.50	
Led level B	110.00	90.50	69.00	69.00	
Level A alone	138.00	115.00	93.50	93.50	
Level B alone	116.00	99.50	78.50	78.50	
Second Advocate	67.00	53.00	46.00	46.00	

Advocacy²

Advocacy rates for counsel are paid per hearing or per day depending upon the duration of the court sitting time. Advocacy rates are non-category specific.

	Preliminary hearing (£)	Half day (£)	Full day (£)
QC	119.00	250.00	500.00
Leading junior	90.50	205.25	410.50
Led junior	61.00	132.75	265.50
Junior alone	70.00	150.00	300.00
Second led junior	35.50	67.50	135.00
Noter	30.50	57.50	115.00

¹ This is to cover situations where the Representation Order cannot be amended to provide for a second junior counsel but the Case Manager determines that to achieve value for money certain items of work should be done by a third counsel.

² Solicitor-advocates will be paid the appropriate rate for a leading junior, a led junior, or a junior alone.

Attendance at court with counsel (hourly rates for solicitors)

Level A	£42.25
Level B	£34.00
Level C	£20.50

Travelling and waiting

£25 per hour regardless of Litigator Level or Advocacy role

Mileage

£0.45 per mile