

General Unified Contract

Civil Specification – Part B

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***Note: All fees in this Payment Annex are exclusive of VAT.
See the General and Category Specific provisions of the
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enhancement provisions***

Standard and Graduated Fees

1 Legal Help and Help at Court

Note: Fees for these services in the Family, Immigration and Mental Health categories are set out in section 2, 3, 4 and 5 of this Payment Annex

Category	Contracted		Tolerance	
	Fixed Fee	Exceptional threshold	Fixed Fee	Exceptional Threshold
Actions Against the Police	£261	£783	£151	£453
Clinical Negligence	£213	£639	-	-
Community Care	£290	£870	£175	£525
Consumer General Contract	£174	£522	£146	£438
Debt	£196	£588	£121	£363
Education	£296	£888	£149	£447
Employment	£225	£675	£147	£441
Housing	£171	£513	£135	£405
Miscellaneous	£86	£258	-	-
Personal Injury	£204	£612	-	-
Public Law	£282	£846	£203	£609
Welfare Benefits	£164	£492	£133	£399

2 Family Public Law

2 (a): Legal Help

National
£136

2 (b): Family Help (Lower) – s31 Care Proceedings Only

National
£306

Table 2 (c): Legal Representation – s31 Care Proceedings Only

Party	Court	No. of Clients	Midlands	North	London and South	Wales
Child	Other	1	£2,602	£2,300	£2,978	£2,818
Child	Other	2+	£3,903	£3,451	£4,466	£4,226
Child	High	1	£3,460	£3,060	£3,960	£3,747
Child	High	2+	£5,191	£4,589	£5,940	£5,620
Joined Party	Other		£1,289	£971	£1,719	£1,466
Joined Party	High		£1,714	£1,292	£2,287	£1,949
Parent	Other	1	£2,465	£1,880	£2,836	£2,466
Parent	Other	2	£3,081	£2,350	£3,545	£3,083
Parent	High	1	£3,278	£2,500	£3,772	£3,280
Parent	High	2	£4,098	£3,125	£4,715	£4,100

3 Family Private Law

Table 3 (a): Legal Help

National
£94

Table 3 (b): Legal Help – Divorce Petition Only

National
£130

Table 3 (c): Family Help (Lower) – Children

	Settled	Not settled
London	£376	£235
Non-London	£324	£203

Table 3 (d): Family Help (Lower) - Finance

	Settled	Not settled
London	£414	£259
Non-London	£357	£223

Table 3 (e): Family Help (Higher) - Children

London	Midlands	North	South	Wales
£1,215	£739	£654	£,1047	£683

Table 3 (f): Family Help (Higher) - Finance

Stage	Midlands	North	South	London	Wales
Basic	£206	£202	£223	£259	£206
FDR Not Settled	£711	£688	£954	£1,107	£603
FDR Settled	£996	£963	£1,335	£1,549	£845

4 Immigration and Asylum

Table 4 (a): Immigration and asylum scheme graduated fees

	Stage 1 (Legal Help)	Stage 2a (CLR)	Stage 2b (CLR)
Asylum Graduated Fee	£450	£240	£600
Immigration Graduated Fee	£255	£240	£480

Table 4 (b): Additional payments for immigration and asylum cases

Representation at the Home Office Interview (asylum and Immigration cases within scope)	£290
Representation at oral CMRH	£175
Representation at telephone CMRH (pilot only at present)	£95
Representation at substantive AIT hearing	Asylum £320 Immigration £250
Additional hearing: part heard or re-list	Asylum £170 Immigration £170
All disbursements (interpreters & translators, expert reports, travel expenses)	Separate payments outside of Graduated Fee Scheme, subject to cost thresholds.

5 Mental Health

Table 5 (a): Mental Health Scheme Fees

tbc

Table 5 (b): Additional Payments for Non-Standard Travel

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6 Housing Possession Duty Scheme

Table 6: Standard Fee

Non-London	£79.50
London	£84.00

Hourly Rates – Controlled Work

7 Legal Help, Help at Court and Family Help (Lower)

Table 7 (a): Immigration, Mental Health, Actions Against the Police etc, Public law, Education and Community Care

Activity	London Rate	Non-London Rate
Preparation, attendance and advocacy	£57.35 per hour	£52.55 per hour
Travel & Waiting time	£30.30 per hour	£29.45 per hour
Routine letters out and telephone calls	£4.40 per item	£4.10 per item

Table 7 (b): Family, Housing and Employment

Activity	London Rate	Non-London Rate
Preparation, attendance and advocacy	£53.10 per hour	£50.05 per hour
Travel & Waiting time	£28.05 per hour	£28.05 per hour
Routine letters out and telephone calls	£4.10 per item	£3.95 per item

Table 7 (c): All other categories and all tolerance work

Activity	London Rate	Non-London Rate
Preparation, attendance and advocacy	£50.70 per hour	£47.80 per hour
Travel & Waiting time	£26.80 per hour	£26.80 per hour
Routine letters out and telephone calls	£3.90 per item	£3.75 per item

8 Controlled Legal Representation

Table 8 (a): Immigration – All Matters not subject to an Order under Section 103D NIA 2002

	London Rates	Non-London Rates
Preparation and attendance	£61.20 per hour	£57.25 per hour
Travel and Waiting time	£30.30 per hour	£29.45 per hour
Routine letters out and telephone calls	£4.40 per item	£4.10 per item
Advocacy	£69.60 per hour	£69.60 per hour

Table 8 (b): Immigration – Applications under section 103A NIA 2003 where an Order under Section 103D has been granted

	London Rates	Non-London Rates
Preparation and attendance	£82.62 per hour	£77.29 per hour
Travel and Waiting time	£40.91 per hour	£39.76 per hour
Routine letters out and telephone calls	£5.94 per item	£5.54 per item
Advocacy	£93.96 per hour	£93.96 per hour

Table 8 (c): Representation at Mental Health Review Tribunal

Activity	London Rate	Non-London Rate
Preparation	£61.20 per hour	£57.25 per hour
Travel and waiting time	£30.30 per hour	£29.45 per hour
Letters and telephone calls	£4.40 per item	£4.10 per item
Advocacy	£69.60 per hour	£69.60 per hour
Attending tribunal with counsel	£32.55 per hour	£32.55 per hour

Hourly Rates – Licensed Work

9 Family Prescribed Rates

Table 9 (a): Care Proceedings

Step	Higher Courts	County Court and magistrates' court
Writing routine letters	£ 4.70 per item	£ 4.10 per item
Receiving routine letters	£ 2.35 per item	£ 2.05 per item
Routine telephone calls	£ 4.70 per item	£ 4.10 per item
Preparation and attendance	£77.85 per hour (London Rate) £ 73.15 per hour (Non-London Rate)	£68.20 per hour (London Rate) £ 64.90 per hour (Non-London Rate)
Attending at court or conference with counsel	£ 41.25 per hour	£ 36.30 per hour
Advocacy	£77.85 per hour (London Rate) £ 73.15 per hour (Non-London Rate)	£ 71.50 per hour
Travelling and waiting time	£ 35.75 per hour	£ 32.45 per hour.

Table 9 (b): Other Family Proceedings

Step	Higher Courts	County Court and magistrates' court
Routine letters out	£ 7.05 per item	£ 6.00 per item
Receiving routine letters	£ 3.50 per item	£ 3.00 per item
Routine telephone calls	£ 7.05 per item	£ 6.00 per item
Preparation and attendance	£78.40 per hour (London Rate) £73.05 per hour (non London Rate)	£66.00 per hour (London Rate) £61.00 per hour (Non London Rate)
Attending court or conference with counsel	£41.25 per hour	£36.00 per hour
Advocacy	£78.40 per hour (London Rate) £73.05 per hour (Non-London Rate)	£66.00 per hour (London Rate) £63.00 per hour (Non-London Rate)
Travelling and waiting time	£ 35.75 per hour	£ 32.00 per hour (London Rate) £31.00 per hour (Non-London Rate)

10 Non-Family Prescribed Rates

Table 10 (a): Higher Courts, County Courts and magistrates' courts for work carried out within an SQM Category

Step	Higher Courts	County Court and magistrates' court
Routine letters out	£7.50 per item	£6.60 per item
Routine telephone calls	£4.15 per item	£3.65 per item
Preparation and attendance	£79.50 per hour (London Rate) £75.00 per hour (Non-London Rate)	£70.00 per hour (London Rate) £66.00 per hour (Non-London Rate)
Attending court or conference with counsel	£37.00 per hour	£32.50 per hour
Advocacy	£75.00 per hour	£66.00 per hour
Traveling and waiting time	£33.25 per hour	£29.20 per hour

Table 10 (b): High Court, County Court and Magistrates' Court for work not carried out within an SQM Category

Step	Higher Courts	County Court and magistrates' court
Routine letters out	£7.40 per item	£6.50 per item
Routine telephone calls	£4.10 per item	£3.60 per item
Preparation and attendance	£78.50 per hour (London Rate) £74.00 per hour (Non-London Rate)	£69.00 per hour (London Rate) £65.00 per hour (Non-London Rate)
Attending court or conference with counsel	£36.40 per hour	£32.00 per hour
Advocacy	£74.00 per hour	£65.00 per hour
Traveling and waiting time	£32.70 per hour	£28.75 per hour

Table 10 (c): Other Tribunals

Step	London Rate	Non-London Rate
Preparation and attendance	£61.20 per hour	£57.25 per hour
Routine letters out and telephone calls	£4.40 per item	£4.10 per item
Advocacy	£69.60 per hour	£69.60 per hour
Attending tribunal or conference with counsel	£32.55 per hour	£32.55 per hour
Travelling and waiting time	£30.30 per hour	£29.45 per hour