We are routinely asked by our clients how much it will cost to make an application, which is understandable as the immigration process is a very expensive process for a lot of individuals and families. Consequently, we aim to provide clients with as much information as possible to allow them to make an informed decision as being transparent about costs and outcomes is important to us and our clients.

In our immigration department, we offer most services on a fixed or agreed fee basis. There are some matters that are dealt with on an hourly basis but the majority of our applications are dealt with on a fixed fee basis.

Our fees are based on the work agreed at the outset of the matter, but can occasionally increase depending on each individual case. Commonly, this occurs when there is further work to be done after an application has been submitted to the Home Office. When this situation arises we will inform you at the earliest possible opportunity.

Our fixed fees <u>do not</u> include disbursements. Disbursements are costs related to your matter that are payable to third parties, such as visa fees. We handle the payment of the disbursements on your behalf to ensure a smoother process.

If any disbursements are applicable to your case, they will be outlined at the earliest possible opportunity.

We will confirm whether VAT is applicable in advance of agreeing the fee. As a UK registered organisation, we charge VAT at 20% if you are ordinarily a resident in the UK.

Henry Hyams Solicitors publishes information about typical costs and expenses (disbursements) for various categories of immigration work. We are of course happy to answer any questions relating to the cost information below.

Our costs information:

By way of example, we provide the following fee range information for common types of cases. These fees are all dependant on the complexity of the case and the number of applicants:

- Entry clearance applications for spouses/partners £800 to £2,000 excluding VAT.
- Entry clearance applications for fiancé(e) £800 to £2,000 excluding VAT.
- Entry clearance application for children £800 to £2,000 excluding VAT.
- Entry clearance application for visitors £800 to £1,500 excluding VAT.
- Applications under Family Reunion provisions £500 £1,000 excluding VAT.
- Dependant relative applications £1,500 to £3,000 excluding VAT
- Leave to remain applications for spouses/partners and any dependent children -£800 to £2,000 excluding VAT.
- Leave to remain applications on the basis of long residence £800 to £2,000 excluding VAT.
- Applications under the Points Based System for students £800 to £1,200 excluding VAT.

- Applications under the Points Based System for business people (Tier 1) £1,500 to £3,000 excluding VAT.
- Applications under the Points Based System for workers (Tier 2) £800 to £1,500 excluding VAT.
- Applications under the Points Based System for students £800 to £1,200 excluding VAT.
- Applications on behalf of European Economic Area (EEA) nationals and their family members - £700 to £1,500 excluding VAT
- Applications under the ancestry rules £600 to £1,200 excluding VAT
- Naturalisation or registration as a British citizen £500 to £1,000 excluding VAT

Where the Home Office refuse your application, the above costs quoted do not cover advice and assistance in relation to any appeal, administrative review or judicial reviews.

A list of all Home Office fees are available on their website.

What services are included

We offer a comprehensive service, which includes all work associated with the application. We will start assisting you from the very outset until the conclusion of the particular matter, so until the Home Office make a decision on your application. As an example, our services will include the following:

- 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.
- Providing you with advice about the outcome of the application and any further steps you need to take.

How long will my application take?

We cannot guarantee how long the Home Office will take to process your application as their processing times depend greatly on the category of application submitted. We suggest that you check the current processing times on the Home Office website for further information.

We will normally be able to submit this type of application within 2 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 the anticipated fees are an estimate based on the facts above. All applications are likely to vary and of course, we can give you a more accurate estimate once we have more information about your specific case.