# Price transparency – Fees for motoring offences

In compliance with the Solicitors Regulation Authority requirements, we confirm that our fees as set out below are considered by us to be fair and reasonable, having regard to the circumstances of the matter.

Once the details of the matter are better known we can assess if any additional factors, such as urgency, the complexity and importance of the matter, and the skill required for its conduct, are likely to affect these fees.

#### **Fixed fees**

We offer a fixed fee service for some motoring offences:

Offence	Fixed fee (not including VAT)
Drink driving offence: guilty plea	£300.00
Speeding offence: guilty plea	£300.00
Driving without a valid licence or insurance: guilty plea	£300.00
Driving while disqualified: guilty plea	£350.00

This fee includes two hours of work in considering the evidence, taking your instructions and providing advice. It also includes attendance and representation at one magistrates' court hearing.

The fee does not include dealing with any witnesses or offering advice or assistance with special reasons hearings or appeals.

# **Hourly rates**

Our charges for the time we spend on more complex matters are calculated using the following hourly rates which are assessed in six-minute units:

Qualification	Hourly rate charged
Partners	£220.00
Solicitors/Legal executives	£190.00
Trainees and paralegals	£150.00
Litigation assistants	£120.00

These prices are all plus VAT.

VAT and disbursements are explained in more detail below.

# Average fee ranges

At the beginning of the matter we will provide an estimate of our likely charges, however as there are so many variables in a matter such as this it may become necessary to revise our estimate. Any estimate revision will be fully discussed with you before any additional work is undertaken.

As a general guide our fees tend to fall within the following brackets:

Service	Estimate
Special reasons hearing	£400 to £600.00
Trial	£700.00 to £1500.00
Appeal	£2000.00 to £2500.00

These prices are all plus VAT.

# **Timescale**

We cannot provide a timescale for resolving this matter as this depends on the dates of court hearings and a number of other factors. We will be able to give you further advice when you contact us.