

Motoring Offences – Fees Structure

At Advice Wise Solicitors, we offer services to those who have been accused of motoring offences.

Unfortunately, legal aid MAY not be available for the majority of these offences. This can include, but is not limited, to the following offences:

1. Driving without a valid insurance policy;
2. Driving without a driving licence;
3. Driving without an MOT;
4. Drink driving;
5. Drug driving;
6. Failure to supply a specimen;
7. Driving whilst using a mobile phone or handheld device;
8. Speeding;
9. Traffic light offences;
10. Careless driving (driving without due care and attention);
11. Failing to provide information to identify the driver of a vehicle;
12. Failing to stop or report.

Advice Wise Solicitors are able to offer our services if you have been charged with any of the above offences or any other offences. Below we set out the range of our fees:

Hourly Rate Fees

We are able to enter into hourly rate fees with you. Our hourly rates are as follows:

Solicitors with over 8 years' experience	£250.00 plus VAT per hour
Solicitors with over 4 years 'experience (up to 8 years' experience)	£200.00 plus VAT per hour
Solicitors with up to 4 years' experience	£165.00 plus VAT per hour
Trainee Solicitors	£120.00 plus VAT per hour
Paralegal/Legal Assistants	£100.00 plus VAT per hour

The above is an indication of our fees. The hourly rates will be applied to all work carried out by us to prepare your case. This includes considering evidence, taking statements from you and/or defence witnesses, preparing a defence statement (if required), liaising with you, the Court, the Prosecution, the Police and others. The above will be **excluding** any costs for Counsel's fees or disbursements.

Counsel's fees (a barrister) are likely to range from between £250.00 - £1,000.00 plus VAT per hearing. The exact fees for Counsel are likely to depend on the seniority of Counsel, the amount of evidence in the case to consider and the likely length of any trial or other hearings.

The disbursements can range from travel costs to the need for any expert witnesses, such as doctors, interpreters, translators, other medical reports etc. Any travel on public transport will

be claimed at the exact cost incurred. Any travel by car will be claimed at 45p per mile, which will be subject to VAT. It is not possible to provide a range of costs for any expert witnesses as the cost will vary depending on the type of expert required and the scope of the work given. It is likely that most disbursements would be subject to VAT.

Fixed Fee Arrangements

Should you wish to enter into a fixed fee for our services, we are able to accommodate the same. Our typical range of fees are as follows:

Types/No. of Hearings	Fees Range
Guilty plea with one hearing	£500.00 - £750.00 + VAT + Counsel Fees + Disbursements
Guilty plea with more than one hearing	£500.00 - £750.00 + VAT + Counsel Fees + Disbursements for the first hearing. £500.00 + VAT per each subsequent hearings.
Not Guilty plea – Up to and including Trial and Sentence	£1,000.00 – £2,500.00 + VAT + Counsel Fees + Disbursements

Please note that the above fixed fee arrangements are a range only. Where the particular fee falls within the range depends on a number of factors such as the complexity of the matter, volume of evidence and the amount of work likely to be required. The fee will include work done by one Solicitor and one Caseworker (Trainee Solicitor, Paralegal or Legal Assistant).

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NOTE: All work will be supervised by Mr Shahid Khan, Managing Director at Advice Wise Solicitors. Mr Shahid Khan is a Solicitor with over 15 years’ experience.