

## **Motoring law: costs information**

With the exception of fixed fee consultations, our fees are typically based on hourly rates. The following hourly rates apply:-

Partners:	£325	per hour (plus VAT)
Solicitors/Legal Executives:	£275	per hour (plus VAT)
Paralegals/trainees/assistants:	£150	per hour (plus VAT)

### **Approximate costs for an average Case: guilty plea**

All cases are different, and require varying levels of preparation. All our work is charged out on an hourly basis. We anticipate that a for a guilty plea our fees would be between £1,500 and £2,500 plus VAT. Disbursements for travel to/from Court may be charged in addition to this.

The above fees would involve considering the evidence, advising you on the evidence, potential sentence and representation at Court for a single hearing.

### **Approximate costs for an average case: trial**

As above, trials vary in their length, complexity and level of preparation required. We estimate that our fees would be in the region of £5,000 plus VAT to prepare your case for trial and representation at Court.

### **Services that are not included in the above estimates**

The above estimate of fees does not include the cost of instructing experts or Counsel.

### **Time Scales**

First Appearances in Court can range from 2-6 weeks after being charged or sent a postal summons. If a not guilty plea is entered, trial dates can be anywhere from 6 weeks to 9 months later depending on how busy the Court is and the number of witnesses involved or length of the case.

### **Fixed fee consultation**

The cost of a fixed fee consultation is dependent on the nature of the instruction, but will typically be in the region of £275-£650 plus vat.

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