

2010 Standard Civil Contract

Payment Annex

This Payment Annex forms part of the Civil and Family Mediation Specifications of the 2010 Standard Civil Contract. It applies from 3 October 2011, subject to the commencement and transitional provisions contained in the main provisions of the Specification and the Community legal Service (Funding) (Amendment No.2) Order 2011 (SI 2011/2066).

All fees in this Payment Annex are exclusive of VAT. See the General and Category Specific provisions of the Specifications for all remuneration rules, including any enhancement provisions.

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Part 1 — Civil Standard and Graduated Fees

1 – Legal Help and Help at Court

Table 1

The fees in this Table for Housing do not apply to the Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme – see Table 6.

<i>Category</i>	<i>Schedule Authorisation Standard Fee</i>	<i>Schedule Authorisation Exceptional Threshold</i>	<i>Tolerance Standard Fee</i>	<i>Tolerance Exceptional Threshold</i>
Actions Against the Police	£239	£717	n/a	n/a
Clinical Negligence	£195	£585	n/a	n/a
Community Care	£266	£798	£161	£483
Consumer General Contract	£159	£477	£134	£402
Debt	£180	£540	£111	£333
Education	£272	£816	n/a	n/a
Employment	£207	£621	£135	£405
Housing	£157	£471	£124	£372
Miscellaneous	n/a	n/a	£79	£237
Personal Injury	£203	£609	£139	£417
Public Law	£259	£777	n/a	n/a
Welfare Benefits	£150	£450	£122	£366

2 – Family Public Law

Table 2 (a): Legal Help

<i>National</i>
£132

Table 2(b): Family Help (Lower) – Section 31 Children Act 1989 care or Supervision proceedings only

<i>National</i>
£365

Table 2(c): Legal Representation - section 31 Children Act 1989 Care or Supervision proceedings only

<i>Party</i>	<i>Court</i>	<i>No. of Clients</i>	<i>Midlands</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>London and South</i>	<i>Wales</i>
Child	Other	1	£1,949	£1,598	£2,237	£2,183
Child	Other	2+	£2,922	£2,396	£3,355	£3,275
Child	High Court	1	£2,591	£2,125	£2,975	£2,903
Child	High Court	2+	£3,887	£3,188	£4,461	£4,354
Joined Party	Other		£1,033	£798	£1,201	£1,301
Joined Party	High Court		£1,374	£1,062	£1,597	£1,730
Parent	Other	1	£2,556	£2,123	£2,907	£2,633
Parent	Other	2	£3,196	£2,653	£3,633	£3,291
Parent	High Court	1	£3,399	£2,823	£3,866	£3,502
Parent	High Court	2	£4,249	£3,530	£4,832	£4,378

3 – Family Private Law

Table 3(a) – Legal Help

<i>National</i>
£86

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

<i>National</i>
£146

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

	<i>Fee</i>	<i>Settlement Fee</i>
London	£230	£138
Non - London	£199	£119

Table 3(d) Family Help (Lower) – Finance

	<i>Fee</i>	<i>Settlement Fee</i>
London	£241	£145
Non- London	£208	£125

Table 3(e) Higher Standard Fee Scheme – Children

<i>Region</i>	<i>Court</i>	<i>Family Help (Higher) Standard Fee</i>	<i>Legal Representation Standard Fee</i>
London	Other	£424	£302
	High Court	£509	£362
Non-London	Other	£353	£251
	High Court	£424	£302

Table 3(f) Higher Standard Fee Scheme – Finance

<i>Region</i>	<i>Court</i>	<i>Family Help (Higher) Standard Fee</i>	<i>Family Help (Higher) Settlement Fee</i>	<i>Legal Representation Standard Fee</i>
London	Other	£471	£95	£374
	High Court	£565	£113	£449
Non-London	Other	£392	£78	£311
	High Court	£471	£95	£374

Table 3(g) Higher Standard Fee Scheme – Domestic Abuse Proceedings

<i>Region</i>	<i>Court</i>	<i>Legal Representation Standard Fee</i>
London	Other	£608
	High Court	£729
Non-London	Other	£507
	High Court	£608

4 – Immigration

Table 4(a) – Immigration Standard Fees

	<i>Stage 1 (Legal Help)</i>	<i>Stage 2a (Controlled Legal Representation)</i>	<i>Stage 2b (Controlled Legal Representation)</i>
Asylum	£413	£227	£567
Immigration Non-Asylum	£234	£227	£454

Table 4(b) Additional Payments – Home Office Interview

Representation at Home Office Interview	£266
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Table 4(c) Additional Payments for Advocacy Services

	<i>Additional Payment</i>
Oral Case Management Review Hearing	£166
Telephone Case Management Review Hearing	£90
Substantive Hearing in the AIT	Asylum £302 Immigration £237
Additional Day Substantive Hearing	Asylum £161 Immigration £161

Table 4 (d) Immigration Removal Centres Standard Fees (for exclusive Schedule Holders only)

On Site Surgery - advising five or more clients	£360
On site Surgery - advising four clients or less	£180
Fast Track Standby Payment	£34.02

5 – Mental Health

Table 5(a) – Basic fees

<i>Basic Fees</i>	<i>Value</i>
Mental Health – non Tribunal	£253
Level 1 (Mental Health Proceedings)	£129
Level 2 (Mental Health Proceedings)	£321
Level 3 (Mental Health Proceedings)	£294

Table 5(b) additional fees

<i>Additional Fees</i>	<i>Value</i>
Adjourned Hearing Fee	£117
Remote Travel Payment: Level 1 (Mental Health Proceedings)	£69
Remote Travel Payment: Non-Tribunal, Level 2 (Mental Health Proceedings) , Level 3 (Mental Health Proceedings)	£138

6 – Housing Possession Court Duty Scheme

Table 6 Standard Fee

<i>Standard Fees</i>	<i>Value</i>
London	£75.60
Non-London	£71.55

Hourly Rates – Controlled Work

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

Table 7(a) Immigration exceptional cases, Mental Health, Actions Against the Police etc., Public Law, Education and Community Care

<i>Activity</i>	<i>London Rate</i>	<i>Non- London Rate</i>
Preparation, Attendance and Advocacy	£52.65 per hour	£48.24 per hour
Travel & Waiting Time	£27.81 per hour	£27.00 per hour
Routine Letters out and telephone calls	£4.05 per item	£3.78 per item

Table 7(b) Family and Housing (except as in Table 7 (c)) and Employment

<i>Activity</i>	<i>London Rate</i>	<i>Non-London Rate</i>
Preparation, Attendance and Advocacy	£48.74 per hour	£45.95 per hour
Travel & Waiting Time	£25.74 per hour	£25.74 per hour
Routine Letters out and telephone calls	£3.78 per item	£3.65 per item

Table 7(c) Legal Help or Help at Court provided in relation to a review under section 202 of the Housing Act 1996 and to a defendant to a possession claim in the County Court; Family Help (Lower) and related Legal Help in relation to care or supervision proceedings under section 31 of the Children Act 1989

<i>Activity</i>	<i>London Rate</i>	<i>Non-London Rate</i>
Preparation, Attendance and Advocacy	£56.16 per hour	£52.56 per hour
Travel & Waiting Time	£27.81 per hour	£27.05 per hour
Routine Letters out and telephone calls	£4.05 per item	£3.78 per item

Table 7(d) Immigration hourly rates cases

<i>Activity</i>	<i>London Rate</i>	<i>Non-London Rate</i>
Preparation, Attendance and Advocacy	£51.62 per hour	£47.30 per hour
Travel & Waiting Time	£27.27 per hour	£26.51 per hour
Routine Letters out and telephone calls	£3.96 per item	£3.69 per item

Table 7 (e) All other categories and all tolerance work

<i>Activity</i>	<i>London Rate</i>	<i>Non-London Rate</i>
Preparation, Attendance and	£46.53	£43.88

Advocacy	per hour	per hour
Travel & Waiting Time	£24.62	£24.62
	per hour	per hour
Routine Letters out and telephone calls	£3.60	£3.47
	per item	per item

8 – Controlled Legal Representation

Table 8(a) Immigration – exceptional cases

<i>Activity</i>	<i>London Rate</i>	<i>Non-London Rate</i>
Preparation and Attendance	£57.83 per hour	£54.09 per hour
Travel & Waiting Time	£28.62 per hour	£27.81 per hour
Routine Letters out and telephone calls	£4.14 per item	£3.87 per item
Advocacy	£65.79 per hour	£65.79 per hour

Table 8(b) Immigration - Upper Tribunal cases where permission granted to Client (non Fast Track)

<i>Activity</i>	<i>London Rate</i>	<i>Non-London Rate</i>
Preparation and Attendance	£74.36 per hour	£69.56 per hour
Travel & Waiting Time	£36.82 per hour	£35.78 per hour
Routine Letters out and telephone calls	£5.35 per item	£4.99 per item
Advocacy	£84.56 per hour	£84.56 per hour

Table 8(c) Immigration - Other Hourly Rates Cases

<i>Activity</i>	<i>London Rate</i>	<i>Non-London Rate</i>
Preparation and Attendance	£55.08 per hour	£51.53 per hour
Travel & Waiting Time	£27.27 per hour	£26.51 per hour
Routine Letters out and telephone calls	£3.96 per item	£3.69 per item
Advocacy	£62.64 per hour	£62.64 per hour

Table 8(d) Representation in Mental Health proceedings

<i>Activity</i>	<i>London Rate</i>	<i>Non-London Rate</i>
Preparation and Attendance	£57.83 per hour	£54.09 per hour
Travel & Waiting Time	£28.62 per hour	£27.81 per hour
Routine Letters out and telephone calls	£4.14 per item	£3.87 per item
Advocacy	£65.79 per hour	£65.79 per hour
Attending tribunal with counsel	£30.78 per hour	£30.78 per hour

Hourly Rates – Licensed Work

9 – Family Prescribed Rates

Table 9(a) Care Proceedings

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Higher Courts</i>	<i>County Court and Family Proceedings Court</i>
Writing routine letters	£4.23 per item	£3.69 per item
Receiving routine letters	£2.12 per item	£1.85 per item
Routine telephone calls	£4.23 per item	£3.69 per item
Preparation and attendance	£70.07 per hour (London Rate) £65.84 per hour (Non-London Rate)	£61.38 per hour (London Rate) £58.41 per hour (Non- London Rate)
Attendance at court or conference with counsel	£37.13 per hour	£32.67 per hour
Advocacy	£70.07 per hour (London Rate) £65.84 per hour (Non-London Rate)	£64.35 per hour
Travelling and waiting time	£32.18 per hour	£29.21 per hour

Table 9(b) Other Family Proceedings

The fees in this Table do not apply to proceedings under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependents) Act 1975 or proceedings under the Trusts of Land and Appointment of Trustees Act 1996 – Table 10(a) or Table 10(b) apply to those proceedings.

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Higher Courts</i>	<i>County Court and Family Proceedings Court</i>
Routine letters out	£6.35 per item	£5.40 per item
Receiving routine letters	£3.15 per item	£2.70 per item
Routine telephone calls	£6.35 per item	£5.40 per item
Preparation and attendance	£70.56 per hour (London Rate) £65.75 per hour (Non-London Rate)	£59.40 per hour (London Rate) £54.90 per hour (Non-London Rate)
Attending court or conference with counsel	£37.13 per hour	£32.40 per hour
Advocacy	£70.56 per hour (London Rate) £65.75 per hour (Non-London Rate)	£59.40 per hour (London Rate) £56.70 per hour (Non-London Rate)
Travelling and waiting time	£32.18 per hour	£28.80 per hour (London Rate)

£27.90
per hour (Non-London Rate)

10 - Non Family Prescribed Rates

Table 10 (a) Higher Courts, County Courts and Magistrates' Courts for work carried out with Schedule Authorisation

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Higher Courts</i>	<i>County Court and Magistrates Court</i>
Routine letters out	£6.75 per item	£5.94 per item
Routine telephone calls	£3.74 per item	£3.29 per item
Preparation and attendance	£71.55 per hour (London Rate) £67.50 per hour (Non-London Rate)	£63.00 per hour (London Rate) £59.40 per hour (Non-London Rate)
Attendance at court or conference with counsel	£33.30 per hour	£29.25 per hour
Advocacy	£67.50 per hour	£59.40 per hour
Travelling and waiting time	£29.93 per hour	£26.28 per hour

Table 10 (b) Higher Courts, County Courts and Magistrates' Courts for work not carried out with Schedule Authorisation

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Higher Courts</i>	<i>County Court and Magistrates Court</i>
Routine letters out	£6.66 per item	£5.85 per item
Routine telephone calls	£3.69 per item	£3.24 per item
Preparation and attendance	£70.65 per hour (London Rate) £66.60 per hour (Non-London Rate)	£62.10 per hour (London Rate) £58.50 per hour (Non-London Rate)
Attending court or conference with counsel	£32.76 per hour	£28.80 per hour
Advocacy	£66.60 per hour	£58.50 per hour
Travelling and waiting time	£29.43 per hour	£25.88 per hour

Table 10(c) First Tier Tribunal

<i>Activity</i>	<i>London Rate</i>	<i>Non-London Rate</i>
Preparation and attendance	£55.08 per hour	£51.53 per hour
Routine letter out and telephone calls	£3.96 per item	£3.69 per item
Advocacy	£62.64 per hour	£62.64 per hour
Attending tribunal or conference with counsel	£29.30 per hour	£29.30 per hour
Travelling and waiting time	£27.27 per hour	£26.51 per hour

Family Advocacy Scheme: Fees and Rates

11 - Public law Advocacy Fees

Table 11 (a) Care or supervision proceedings under section 31 of the Children Act 1989 – graduated fees

<i>Court</i>	<i>Hearing Unit 1 (up to 1 hour)</i>	<i>Hearing Unit 2 (up to 2.5 hours)</i>	<i>Conference Fee</i>	<i>Opinion Fee</i>	<i>Advocates' Meeting Fee</i>	<i>Final Hearing Fee (per day)</i>
Family Proceedings Court	£86.72	£216.81	£127.71	£105.66	£128.16	£506.25
County Court	£95.40	£238.46	£127.71	£105.66	£140.99	£556.88
High Court	£114.48	£286.16	£127.71	£105.66	£169.20	£668.25

Table 11 (b) Other Public Law cases - graduated fees

<i>Court</i>	<i>Hearing Unit 1 (up to 1 hour)</i>	<i>Hearing Unit 2 (up to 2.5 hours)</i>	<i>Conference Fee</i>	<i>Opinion Fee</i>	<i>Advocates' Meeting Fee</i>	<i>Final Hearing Fee (per day)</i>
Family Proceedings Court	£75.83	£189.59	£127.71	£105.66	£128.16	£464.31
County Court	£83.39	£208.53	£127.71	£105.66	£140.99	£510.75
High Court	£100.08	£250.20	£127.71	£105.66	£169.20	£612.90

Table 11 (c) Public Law – bolt-on fees

<i>Category</i>	<i>Payable For</i>	<i>Fee Payable</i>
Client - Allegations of Harm	Hearings	25% of Hearing Unit Fee
Client - Lack of understanding etc	Hearings	25% of Hearing Unit Fee
Expert's cross examination	Hearings	25% of Hearing Unit Fee
Court bundle payments	Hearings	See table below
Exceptional travel fee	Hearings Advocates' Meetings and Conferences	£32.04

Table 11 (d) Public Law – bolt-on fees - court bundle payments

	<i>CB1 (350-700 pages)</i>	<i>CB2 (701-1,400 pages)</i>	<i>CB3 (over 1,400 pages)</i>
Interim Hearing	£59.40	£89.10	£89.10
Final Hearing	£159.30	£239.40	£318.60

12 – Private Law Advocacy Fees

Table 12 (a) Private law children - graduated fees

<i>Court</i>	<i>Hearing Unit 1 (up to 1 hour)</i>	<i>Hearing Unit 2 (up to 2.5 hours)</i>	<i>Conference Fee</i>	<i>Opinion Fee</i>	<i>Final hearing fee (per day)</i>
Family Proceedings Court	£62.69	£156.74	£125.37	£94.05	£397.04
County Court	£68.94	£172.40	£125.37	£94.05	£436.73
High Court	£82.76	£206.87	£125.37	£94.05	£524.07

Table 12 (b) Domestic abuse – graduated fees

<i>Court</i>	<i>Hearing Unit 1 (up to 1 hour)</i>	<i>Hearing Unit (up to 2.5 hours)</i>	<i>Final hearing fee (per day)</i>
Family Proceedings Court	£81.50	£203.76	£361.17
County Court	£81.50	£203.76	£361.17
High Court	£81.50	£203.76	£361.17

Table 12 (c) Private Law Finance – graduated fees

<i>Court</i>	<i>Hearing Unit 1 (up to 1 hour)</i>	<i>Hearing Unit 2 (up to 2.5 hours)</i>	<i>Financial Dispute Resolution Hearing Unit 1</i>	<i>Financial Dispute Resolution Hearing Unit 2</i>	<i>Early resolution fee</i>	<i>Conference Fee</i>	<i>Opinion Fee</i>	<i>Final hearing fee (per day)</i>
County Court	£63.18	£157.95	£101.07	£252.72	£126.36	£126.36	£94.77	£443.70
High Court	£75.83	£189.54	£121.32	£303.26	£151.65	£126.36	£94.77	£532.44

Table 12 (d) Private law – bolt-one fees

<i>Bolt-on Fee</i>	<i>Payable For</i>	<i>Fee Payable</i>
Client - Allegations of Harm	Private Law Children Hearings	25% of Hearing Unit Fee
Expert's cross examination	Private Law Children Hearings	20% of Hearing Unit Fee
Early resolution fee	Private Law Children Hearings	See Private Law Finance table above
Court bundle payments	Private Law Children or Finance Hearings	See table below
Exceptional travel fee	Hearings and Conferences	£32.04

Table 12 (e) Private law children and finance – bolt-on fees - court bundle payment

	<i>CB1 (350-700 pages)</i>	<i>CB2 (701-1,400 pages)</i>	<i>CB3 (over 1,400 pages)</i>
Interim Hearing	£59.40	£89.10	£89.10
Final Hearing	£159.30	£239.40	£318.60

Family Mediation Fees

13 – Family Mediation

Table 13 (a): Willingness Test

<i>Willingness Test</i>
£25

Table 13 (b): Assessment Meetings

<i>Activity</i>	
Assessment alone	£87
Assessment separate	£87
Assessment together	£130

Table 13(c): Mediation Fees

<i>Category of Work</i>	<i>Single Session</i>	<i>Multi Session</i>	<i>Agreed Proposal</i>
All Issues Sole Mediation	£168	£756	£252
All Issues Co-Mediation	£230	£1,064	£252
Property and Finance Sole Mediation	£168	£588	£189
Property and Finance Co-Mediation	£230	£834	£189
Child Sole Mediation	£168	£462	£126
Child Co-Mediation	£230	£647	£126

14 - Experts Fees and Rates

Table 14

<i>Expert</i>	<i>Outside London Hourly Rate or fixed fee</i>	<i>London Hourly Rate or fixed fee</i>	<i>Comments</i>
A&E consultant	£126	£135	
Accident reconstruction	£90	£68	
Accountant	£50 - £135	£50 - £144	Partner £144, Manager £108, Accountant £80, General staff £50
Anaesthetist	£135	£135	
Architect	£99	£90	
Cardiologist	£144	£144	
Cell telephone site analysis	£90	£90	
Child psychiatrist	£135	£90	
Child psychologist	£126	£90	
Computer expert	£90	£90	
Consultant engineer	£90	£68	
Dentist	£117	£117	
Dermatologist	£108	£108	
Disability consultant	£68	£68	
DNA (per person) – testing of sample	£315 per test	£315 per test	
DNA (per person) – preparation of report	£90	£90	
Doctor (GP)	£99	£90	
Employment consultant	£68	£68	
Enquiry agent	£32	£23	
ENT surgeon	£126	£126	
General surgeon	£135	£90	
Geneticist	£108	£108	
GP (records report)	£63 fixed fee	£90 fixed fee	
Gynaecologist	£135	£90	
Haematologist	£122	£90	
Handwriting expert	£90	£90	
Interpreter	£32	£25	
Lip reader / Signer	£72	£41	
Mediator	£126	£126	
Medical consultant	£135	£90	
Medical microbiologist	£135	£135	
Meteorologist	£126	£180 fixed fee	
Midwife	£90	£90	
Neonatologist	£135	£135	
Neurologist	£153	£90	
Neuropsychiatrist	£158	£90	
Neuroradiologist	£171	£171	
Neurosurgeon	£171	£90	
Nursing expert	£81	£81	

Obstetrician	£135	£135
Occupational therapist	£68	£68
Oncologist	£140	£140
Orthopaedic surgeon	£144	£144
Paediatrician	£135	£90
Pathologist	£153	£540 fixed fee
Pharmacologist	£122	£122
Photographer	£32	£23
Physiotherapist	£81	£81
Plastic surgeon	£135	£135
Process server	£32	£23
Psychiatrist	£135	£90
Psychologist	£117	£90
Radiologist	£135	£135
Rheumatologist	£135	£135
Risk assessment expert	£63	£63
Speech therapist	£99	£99
Surveyor	£50	£50
Telecoms expert	£90	£90
Toxicologist	£135	£135
Urologist	£135	£135
Vet	£90	£90
Voice recognition	£117	£90

15 - Remuneration of barristers in independent practice

Table 15

<i>Category</i>	<i>Hourly Rate</i>
Junior counsel in the County Court	£112.50 (Non-London Rate) £135 (London Rate)
Senior counsel alone or leading in the High Court	£135
Led junior counsel in the High Court, Court of Appeal or the Supreme Court	£112.50
Leading senior counsel in the Court of Appeal	£157.50
Queen's Counsel (where approved for briefing or instruction by us) in the High Court or Court of Appeal .	£180
Leading senior counsel in the Supreme Court	£180
Queen's Counsel (where approved for briefing or instruction by us) in the Supreme Court	£225
Noter/Pupil/2nd led junior counsel	£36

For the purposes of this Table “junior counsel” means a barrister in independent practice of less than 10 years call; and “senior counsel” means a barrister in independent practice of 10 years call or more.