Motoring Law Expenses

This firm is regulated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA) and as such we are required to provide the following information pursuant to the SRA Transparency Rules.

Please note that as each matter is fact specific, the following information is only an indication of our likely fees in a matter. Our total overall fees are therefore impossible to quote at the beginning of a matter and accordingly, none of this information, whether in whole or in part, should be treated as any binding or fixed fee.

Motoring Expenses

The costs of representing a motoring offence will largely depend upon the type of case, whether the case goes to trial and whether a guilty plea is entered into. The following fees represent an average cost for defending the most common traffic offences in the UK: -

i. Speeding

If a guilty plea is entered into, the average cost will be in the region of £1,500 - £3,750 plus VAT at 20%.

If the matter proceeds to trial, the average cost will be within the region of £3,500 - £6,250 plus VAT at 20%

ii. Using a mobile phone whilst driving

If a guilty plea is entered into, the average cost will be in the region of £1,500 - £3,750 plus VAT at 20%.

If the matter proceeds to trial, the average cost will be within the region of £2,500 - £6,250 plus VAT at 20%.

iii. Drink driving and Drug-impaired driving

If a guilty plea is entered into, the average cost will be in the region of £1,500 - £3,750 plus VAT at 20%.

If the matter proceeds to trial, the average cost will be within the region of £5,500 - £9,250 plus VAT at 20%.

iv. Careless and Dangerous driving

If a guilty plea is entered into, the average cost will be in the region of £1,500 - £3,750 plus VAT at 20%.

If the matter proceeds to trial, the average cost will be within the region of £2,500 - £6,250 plus VAT at 20%.

v. Driving whilst disqualified and without License, Insurance or MOT

If a guilty plea is entered into, the average cost will be in the region of £1,500 - £3,750 plus VAT at 20%.

If the matter proceeds to trial, the average cost will be within the region of £4,500 - £7,250 plus VAT at 20%.

vi. Failure to comply with a road sign or traffic lights

If a guilty plea is entered into, the average cost will be in the region of £1,500 - £3,750 plus VAT at 20%.

If the matter proceeds to trial, the average cost will be within the region of £2,500 - £6,250 plus VAT at 20%.

vii. Failure to confirm identity of driver

If a guilty plea is entered into, the average cost will be in the region of £1,500 - £3,750 plus VAT at 20%.

If the matter proceeds to trial, the average cost will be within the region of £2,500 - £6,250 plus VAT at 20%.

viii. 'Totting Up' and disqualification, to include all mitigating arguments

If a guilty plea is entered into, the average cost will be in the region of £1,500 - £3,750 plus VAT at 20%.

If the matter proceeds to trial, the average cost will be within the region of £4,500 - £9,250 plus VAT at 20%.

If a guilty plea is entered into for the aforementioned offences, and an Exceptional Hardship Application is made, the average cost will be within the region of £2,500 - £5,250 plus VAT @ 20%.

You will note that our fees do not include VAT. VAT on our fees must therefore be paid in addition to our fees.

No 'disbursements' (payments to third parties') are included within the fee range quoted above. The amount of the disbursements listed below are subject to change at any time depending on factors outside of our control and no warranty is given as to the accuracy of any such amount. The likely disbursements may be: -

- Counsel/Barrister Fee (ranging from £800 - £3,000 plus VAT, dependant on seniority and amount of time spent)
- Travel Expenses (ranging from £50 - £250 dependant on distance and mode of transport)

'Disbursements' are costs related to your matter and are payable to third parties such as those listed above. Depending on your instructions, we may handle the payment of the disbursement from money

you have placed on our client account. We will advise you of as many disbursements as possible prior to incurring them.

Travel expenses and travel time will also be added depending upon the location of the Court and estimates will be given to you in advance and agreed.

What services are included?

Depending upon the specific facts and circumstances of each matter, we can handle as much or as little of the process for you as you would wish.

The services included within the average fee range above are as follows: -

i. Taking initial instructions and reviewing the Notice of Intended Prosecution or Summons, if applicable.

ii. Ascertaining the likely chances of success.

iii. Preparing and submitting the plea (confirming whether you intend to plead guilty or not guilty)

iv. Preparing an 'Exceptional Hardship Application' in support of your plea.

v. Reviewing all correspondence received from the Court and advising you on the same.

vi. Preparing to attend Court or Instructing Counsel to represent you at Court.

Experience and qualifications of the individuals carrying out the work

Your matter will be handled by a suitably qualified member of the team, and all work is supervised by a senior solicitor. Whilst you matter will be assigned to an individual, it will be handled in general by the litigation team. The litigation team responsible for Motoring Offences is made up as follows: -

Mark Edmondson

Mark is a Consultant at Edmondson Hall. Mark has been qualified as a solicitor for 30 years and has a great deal of experience with Motoring Offences.

Mark is the senior solicitor and supervises all of the work carried out by the litigation team.

Click here to view Mark's profile.

Francesca Cann

Francesca is a Chartered Legal Executive at Edmondson Hall and has been a part of the litigation team since January 2020. Click here to view Francesca's profile.