

**Annex C - Written Ministerial Statement announcing proposed fees for
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Charging for Immigration and Nationality Services 2009-10

**The Minister of State for Borders and Immigration and Member for Oldham
East and Saddleworth (Mr. Phil Woolas):**

I am today laying regulations on fees for immigration and nationality services.

The Government reviews the fees on a regular basis and makes appropriate changes as necessary. We have continued with our strategic approach to charging; setting certain fees on the basis of the value of the service as well as cost recovery in a number of areas.

Some fees will continue to be set at or below levels that reflect the administrative costs of the service. These fees must be set out in regulations before both Houses of Parliament and are subject to the negative procedure. Other fees continue to be set at levels above the normal administrative costs of the service. This allows us to generate revenue which is used either to set certain fees below cost recovery or to deliver the Government's wider objectives such as the doubling of resource for enforcement announced in March 2007, and the fund to manage the transitional impacts of migration announced in July 2008. These fees must also be specified in regulations before both Houses, but are subject to the affirmative process.

Today I laid regulations setting the fees charged above cost recovery. I am announcing our proposals for all the immigration and nationality fees we intend to charge during 2009/10 in order that Parliament may consider these regulations in context. For transparency, I have included the estimated unit cost for each route, so that it is clear which fees are set at or below cost recovery and the degree to which certain other routes are not.

Finally, we have also proposed fees for several new processes and services we provided previously free of charge. These new services were specified in the Fees Order laid on the 21 January. The fees for these services will be set in negative regulations. Full details on how to apply for these services will be provided on our website, www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk.

A full table of fees for 2009-10 is set out at Annex A.

PBS sponsorship fees

CURRENT PRODUCTS	2008-09 Fee (£)	Proposed Fee for 2009/10 (£)	Unit Cost 09/10
Tier 2 Sponsor licence - small business	300	300	858
Tier 2 Sponsor licence - medium/large business	1000	1000	858
Tier 4 Sponsor licence	400	400	858
Tier 5 Sponsor licence	400	400	858
Tier 2 & 4 Sponsor licence - small business	400	400	858
Tier 2 & 4 Sponsor licence - medium/large business	1000	1000	858
Tier 2 & 5 Sponsor licence - small business	400	400	858
Tier 2 & 5 Sponsor licence - medium/large business	1000	1000	858
Tier 4 & 5 Sponsor licence	400	400	858
Tier 2, 4 & 5 Sponsor licence - small business	400	400	858
Tier 2, 4 & 5 Sponsor licence - medium/large business	1000	1000	858
Tier 2 & 4, 5 Licence – Medium/Large Sponsor, where they currently hold Tier 4 &/or Tier 5 Licence	600	600	858
Tier 4 &/or Tier 5 Licence – Small Sponsor, where they currently hold Tier 2 Licence	100	100	858
Tier 2 Certificate of Sponsorship	170	170	29
Tier 4 Confirmation of acceptance for Studies	N/A	10	29
Tier 5 Certificate of Sponsorship	10	10	29

Fees for applications made outside the UK

CURRENT PRODUCTS	2008-09 Fee (£)	Proposed Fee* for 2009/10 (£)	Unit Costs 09/10 (£)
Non-PBS Visas			
Visitor visa short term	65	67	101
Visitor visa long term (up to 2 yr)	205	215	127
Visitor visa long term (2 to 5 yr)		400	127
Visitor visa long term (5 to 10 yr)		500	127
Settlement visa	515	585	379
Other visa	205	215	126
Direct Airside Transit Visa	45	46	70
Certificate of Entitlement	205	215	126
PBS Visas			
Tier 1 (General)	600	675	412
Tier 1 (General/Entrepreneur) (CESC)**	540	615	412
Tier 1 (Investor)	600	675	412
Tier 1 (Entrepreneur)	600	675	412
Tier 1 (Post Study)	205	265	412
Tier 1 (transition)	200	250	412
Tier 1 (transition) (CESC)	180	230	412
Tier 2	205	265	176
Tier 2 (CESC)	185	245	176
Tier 4	99	145	258
Tier 5	99	125	188
Tier 5 (Temporary Worker) (CESC)	90	110	188

* Dependants apply separately for a visa and pay the same fee as the main applicant.

** For certain types of application, we offer a reduced fee to nationals of countries that have ratified the Council of Europe Social Charter (1961) (the CESC), in line with the UK's obligations under this Charter. These countries are Croatia, FYR Macedonia and Turkey.

Fees for applications made inside the UK

CURRENT PRODUCTS	2008-09 Fee (£)	Proposed Fee for 2009/10 (£)	Unit Costs 09/10 (£)
Applications made in the UK - outside the Points Based System			
Indefinite Leave to Remain - Postal	750	820*	318
Indefinite Leave to Remain - application made at a Public Enquiry Office (PEO)	950	1020*	278
Indefinite Leave to Remain - Postal (CESC)	N/A	750*	318
Indefinite Leave to Remain - application made at a Public Enquiry Office (PEO) (CESC)	N/A	920*	278
Leave to Remain Non Student – Postal	395	465*	392
Leave to Remain Non Student - PEO	595	665*	286
FLR-IED - Postal	350	400*	230
FLR-IED - PEO	550	600*	250
FLR- BUS	750	800*	247
Certificate of Approval	295	295	402
Transfer of Conditions - Postal	160	165	399
Transfer of Conditions - PEO	500	515	302
Travel Documents Adult COT (certificate of travel)	210	215	243
Travel Documents Adult CTD	72	72	242
Travel Documents Child COT	130	135	258
Travel Documents Child CTD	46	46	245

CURRENT PRODUCTS	2008-09 Fee (£)	Proposed Fee for 2009/10 (£)	Unit Costs 09/10 (£)
Applications made in the UK - outside the Points Based System			
Nationality 6(1) Single	575	640	175
Nationality 6(1) Joint	575	690	221
Nationality 6(2) Others	575	640*	175
Nationality Registration Adult	400	460	175
Nationality Registration Single Minors	400	460	175
Nationality Registration Multiple Minors	400	510**	252
Renunciation of Nationality	385	395	177
Nationality Right of Abode	135	140	176
Re-issued Certificates of Nationality	20	75	182
Replacement BID	30	30	51

CURRENT PRODUCTS	2008-09 Fee (£)	Proposed Fee for 2009/10 (£)	Unit Costs 09/10 (£)
PBS Routes - Migrant Inside UK			
Tier 1 (General) - Postal	750	820*	247
Tier 1 (General) - PEO	950	1020*	249
Tier 1 (General / Entrepreneur) - Postal (CESC)	N/A	750*	247
Tier 1 (General) – PEO (CESC)	N/A	920*	249
Tier 1 (Investor) - Postal	750	820*	247
Tier 1 (Entrepreneur) - Postal	750	820*	247
Tier 1 (Post Study) - Postal	400	500*	247
Tier 1 (Post Study) - PEO	600	700*	260
Tier 1 (Transition) - Postal	350	400*	247
Tier 1 (Transition) - PEO	550	600*	249
Tier 2 - Postal	400	465*	230
Tier 2 - PEO	600	665*	250
Tier 2 – Postal (CESC)	N/A	425*	230
Tier 2 – PEO (CESC)	N/A	605*	250
Tier 4 – Postal	295	357*	357
Tier 4 – PEO	500	565*	373
Tier 5 - Postal	100	125	230
Tier 5 (Temporary Worker) – PEO	500	515	250
Tier 5 (Temporary Worker) - Postal (CESC)	N/A	110	230
Tier 5 (Temporary Worker) – PEO (CESC)	N/A	460	250

* An additional £50 for each dependant applied for at the same time is also payable.

** After the first two minors, an additional £50 per extra child included on the application form is also payable.

New fees for existing services

NEW PRODUCTS	NOTES	2008-09 Fee (£)	Proposed Fee for 2009/10 (£)	Unit Costs 09/10 (£)
International				
Vignette Transfer Fee	Transfer visa vignette between passports	0	75	75
In UK				
Status Letters (Nationality)	Formal letter confirming applicants current status in the UK as a person who has acquired British Nationality. £75 (fee needs to be the same for duplicate certificate +based on costs)	0	75	87
Non-Acquisition Letters (Nationality)	Formal letter confirming that a person has not acquired British Nationality	0	75	87
Status Letters (Immigration)	Formal letter confirming applicants current immigration status in the UK. £75 (fee needs to be the same for duplicate certificate + based on costs)	0	75	87
Call out/Out of hours fee	E.g. Capture of biometric data away from a UKBA public enquiry office. Currently offered at certain locations overseas. Optional service offered by prior appointment only. Same under cost fee as is currently charged for overseas service.	N/A	£128 per hour up to a maximum of £922 a day	£134/hour
Work Permit Technical Changes	Application for an employer to amend personal details of an employee on a work permit, or to make minor changes to the information UKBA holds. For example, a technical change could be a change of name on marriage, change of your business address, or where both the employee and the specific job they were approved for, move location.	0	20	230