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## SOLICITORS

### ROAD TRAFFIC LAW: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT FEES

We offer fixed fees for a selection of motoring offences, the cost of which, together with details of what the fees include, are provided below.

#### **General Information**

- We will meet with you at our office prior to the hearing or at Court to provide instructions on what happened.
- We will consider initial disclosure, and any other evidence and provide advice.
- We will explain the court procedure to you, so you know what to expect on the day of your hearing, and the sentencing options available to the court.
- We will conduct preparatory work for the first hearing, however, if you intend to enter a not guilty plea, the taking of statements from you or your witnesses will not be included, neither will the instructing an expert, or making a site visit.
- We cannot provide a timescale of when your hearing will take place, as this depends on the court listing for the day.
- We will attend court on the day of your hearing and meet with you before going into the hearing. Usually, we will be at Court for half a day.
- We will discuss the outcome with you and confirm the outcome in writing. However, detailed advice on appeal, and any appeal will not be covered and will carry additional costs at the rate of £200 per hour plus VAT (£240 per hour inclusive of VAT).

#### **Drink Driving Offence, Guilty Plea**

- Fixed fee £600 plus VAT (£720 inclusive of VAT) plus disbursements (usually mileage and parking).
- 2 hours attendance/preparation.
- Representation at a single hearing – if the matter is adjourned to another Court session for any reason, including Special Reasons hearing, there will be additional charges at the hourly rate of £200 per hour plus VAT (£240 inclusive of VAT) and further disbursement charges may be incurred.
- Travelling to Barrow-in-Furness Magistrates Court. If the matter is at any other Court the fee may increase to take into account increased travelling time and mileage.
- Taking instructions.
- Letters/emails and telephone calls associated with the first hearing.
- Waiting time.

### **Drink Driving Offence, Not Guilty Plea**

- Fixed fee £600 plus VAT (£720 inclusive of VAT) plus disbursements (usually mileage and parking).
- 2 hours attendance/preparation.
- Representation at a single hearing to list the matter for trial.
- Travelling to Barrow in Furness Magistrates Court. If the matter is at any other Court the fee may increase to take into account increased travelling time and mileage.
- Taking instructions.
- Letters/emails and telephone calls associated with the first hearing.
- Waiting time.
- This does not include taking statement from you or your witnesses or preparing for trial, it does not include any site visits.
- This does not include instructing an expert.
- Please note all work carried out after the first hearing will be charged on an hourly rate of £200 per hour plus VAT (£240 inclusive of VAT) plus additional disbursement charges where appropriate.

### **Speeding/ Fail to Provide Information as To the Identity of The Driver, Guilty Plea**

- Fixed fee £600 plus VAT (£720 inclusive of VAT) plus disbursements (usually mileage and parking).
- 2 hours attendance/preparation.
- If the matter proceeds as an exceptional hardship argument on the day, this will be included.
- Representation at a single hearing – if the matter is adjourned to another Court session for any reason there will be additional charges at the hourly rate of £200 per hour plus VAT (£240 inclusive of VAT) and further disbursement charges may be incurred. If the matter is adjourned for exceptional hardship/disqualification this will incur additional charges as specified above.
- Travelling to Barrow-in-Furness Magistrates Court. If the matter is at any other Court the fee may increase to take into account increased travelling time and mileage.
- Taking instructions.
- Letters/emails and telephone calls associated with the first hearing.
- Waiting time.

### **Speeding/ Fail to Provide Information as To the Identity of The Driver, Not Guilty Plea**

- Fixed fee £600 plus VAT (£720 inclusive of VAT) plus disbursements (usually mileage and parking).
- 2 hours attendance/preparation.

- Representation at a single hearing to list the matter for trial.
- Travelling to Barrow-in-Furness Magistrates Court. If the matter is at any other Court the fee may increase to take into account increased travelling time and mileage.
- Taking instructions.
- Letters/emails and telephone calls associated with the first hearing.
- Waiting time.
- This does not include taking statement from you or you witness or preparing for trial. It does not include a site visit.
- This does not include instructing an expert.
- Please note all work carried out after the first hearing will charged on an hourly rate of £200 per hour plus VAT (£240 inclusive of VAT) plus additional disbursement charges where appropriate.

#### **Driving Without Due Care and Attention, Guilty Plea**

- Fixed fee £600 plus VAT (£720 inclusive of VAT) plus disbursements (usually mileage and parking).
- 2 hours attendance/preparation.
- Representation at a single hearing – if the matter is adjourned to another court session for any reason there will be additional charges at the hourly rate of £200 per hour plus VAT (£240 inclusive of VAT) and further disbursement charges may be incurred.
- Travelling to Barrow-in-Furness Magistrates Court, if the matter is at any other Court the fee may increase to take into account increased travelling time and mileage.
- Taking instructions.
- Letters/emails and telephone calls associated with the first hearing.
- Waiting time.

#### **Driving Without Due Care and Attention, Not Guilty Plea**

- Fixed fee £600 plus VAT (£720 inclusive of VAT) plus disbursements (usually mileage and parking).
- 2 hours attendance/preparation.
- Representation at a single hearing to list the matter for trial.
- Travelling to Barrow-in-Furness Magistrates Court, if the matter is at any other Court the fee may increase to take into account increased travelling time and mileage.
- Taking instructions.
- Letters/emails and telephone calls associated with the first hearing.
- Waiting time.

- This does not include taking statements from you or your witnesses or preparing for trial. It does not include a site visit.
- This does not include instructing any experts.
- Please note all work carried out after the first hearing will be charged on an hourly rate of £200 per hour plus VAT (£240 inclusive of VAT) plus additional disbursement charges where appropriate.

**If you are charged with any other motoring offence, where you believe that as a result of the number of points on your licence you risk disqualification through the totting up provisions, and wish to argue exceptional hardship**

- Fixed fee of £600 plus VAT (£720 inclusive of VAT) plus disbursements (usually mileage and parking).
- 2 hours attendance/preparation.
- Representation at a single hearing – if the matter is adjourned to another court session for any reason there will be additional charges at the hourly rate of £200 per hour plus VAT (£240 inclusive of VAT) and further disbursement charges may be incurred.
- Travelling to Barrow-in-Furness Magistrates Court. If the matter is at any other Court the fee may increase to take into account increased travelling time and mileage.
- Taking instructions.
- Letters/emails and telephone calls associated with the first hearing.
- Waiting time.

You will be issued with our Terms of Business, prior to the Court hearing. This must be signed and returned to us, prior to the first Court appearance. All fees are payable in advance of the hearing. We are not able to attend Court without a payment on account of costs.

**Advice without Court Representation**

If you cannot afford representation in person, we may be able to assist by preparing a letter of mitigation for you to take to the first hearing or in the case of a 'not guilty' plea, advise on completing the Case Management form required by the Court. We offer these services for a fixed fee of £200 plus VAT (£240 inclusive of VAT). This would include a 30-minute appointment in which we would go through initial disclosure (if available), take instructions and complete the appropriate documentation for the Court, or provide the appropriate letter.

The availability of this service is at our discretion and is dependent upon the nature of the case. You will be issued with our Terms of Business, prior to the advice appointment. This must be signed and returned to us prior to the advice appointment. The fee payable, must also be paid prior to the advice appointment.

If you wish to discuss your case, please contact us on (01539) 729786, or email us at [solicitors@milnemoser.co.uk](mailto:solicitors@milnemoser.co.uk)