

PROBATE FEES

Our fees in uncontested English estates are based on a 'time spent' basis. The current hourly rate is £350.00 plus VAT.

As estates differ in value and complexity, it can be difficult to provide standard costings without being aware of all parameters. However, some sample estate pricing is set out below:

- *A fee for a simple estate, where there is a single property and bank account(s) is usually in the region of £1,500 plus VAT.*
- *A more complex estate, where there are numerous assets and/or a foreign element our fees can range from £2,500 up to £20,000 plus VAT.*

Once we establish the nature and value of all the assets and liabilities of an estate, we provide the client with a fee estimate for the administration.

Having provided a fee estimate, if any unexpected issues arise in the administration process, we notify the client as soon as possible and amend our fee estimate accordingly, with the client's approval. When the administration is finalised we usually instruct an independent Law Costs Draftsman to read the file and to prepare a detailed breakdown of the time spent on the matter applying the hourly rate.

We do not charge a percentage of the gross estate.