

Dispute Resolution Fee Structure



Stephens Wilmot Solicitors debt recovery charging structure

Please note: the following pricing structure is only indicative of our average fixed costs for debt recovery services. Actual charges may fluctuate based on volume of instructions, size and complexity of disputes. For a more accurate quotation based on your bespoke and individual needs, please contact us for further information.

Please also note that the indicative court fees and further disbursements are accurate as at the time of publishing in May 2024.

PRE - PROCEEDINGS FEES

Outstanding Debt	Court fee
<p>To initiate the process, which includes taking instructions, preparing a letter before action and the initial communications between the respective parties, usually costs around £600 + VAT. This sum is subject to change depending on the next action we need to take. The next steps could include issuing court proceedings which could mean that you would pay disbursements such as a Court fee & hearing fee which vary (see below) depending on the total sum you are owed. Court fees do not attract VAT, however there may be disbursements which we will discuss with you in depth that could attract VAT at the rate of 20%.</p>	

COMMENCING COURT PROCEEDINGS FEES

Outstanding Debt	Court fee	SW fees to you (plus VAT at 20%)	Recoverable (CPR)
Below £300.00	£35.00	£99.00	£50.00 + interest
£300.00 – £500.00	£50.00	£99.00	£50.00 + interest
£500.00* – £1000.00	£70.00	£150.00	£70.00 + interest
£1000.00* – £1500.00	£80.00	£200.00	£80.00 + interest
£1500.00 – £3000.00	£205.00	£250.00	£80.00 + interest
£3000.00 – £5000.00	£455.00	£300.00	£80.00 + interest
£5000.00 – £10,00.00		£350.00	£100.00 + interest

In claims that exceed £10,000.00 but do not exceed £200,000 the Court Fee will be calculated at 5% of the value of the claim. Our fees to you will be £399.00 plus VAT (currently at 20%)*
 In claims that exceed £200,000 or are unlimited the Court Fee will amount to £10,000.00. Our fees to you of £399.00 plus VAT (currently at 20%)*

*All costs recovered from the other side as part of a debt recovery action will be payable to us.

Business to business debts include a LPCD(1) Act 1998 potential right to claim interest at 8% above base rate, a Late Payment Compensation Fee of between £70.00 and £100.00 and the recovery of Solicitor's costs.

"Individual" (non business) debts attract interest of 8% subject to S.69 County Courts Act 1984 at 8%.

ENTERING JUDGMENT FEES

Outstanding Debt	SW Charge (plus VAT at 20%)	Recoverable (CPR)
£25.00 - £5,000.00	£75.00	£22.00
£5,000 +	£95.00	£33.00

GENERAL FEES MID-PROCEEDINGS

Outstanding Debt	Court fee	SW Charge (plus VAT at 20%)
Hearing fee: Multi Track	£1,090.00	
Fast Track	£545.00	
Court Hearing fees for Small Claims		
If claim up to £300.00	£25.00	
If claim between £300.00 - £500.00	£55.00	
If claim between £500.00 - £1,000.00	£80.00	
If claim between £1,000.00 - £1,500.00	£115.00	
If claim between £1,500.00 - £3,000.00	£170.00	
Exceeds £3,000.00	£355.00	
Applying for a Court Order giving the other side notice of the application.	£255.00	
Applying by consent or without Notice for a Court Order (i.e. Consent Order, Unless Order etc)	£100.00	

For Insolvency (personal and corporate) fees and charges please contact us separately.

Enforcement

Having obtained judgement against defendant

	Court fee	SW Charge (plus VAT at 20%)	Recoverable
On transferring claim from County Court to High Court and obtaining Writ of Control in readiness to instruct High Court Enforcement Officer	£66.00	£100.00	£111.75
If Defendant owns property and we seek a Charging Order. Other disbursements to be incurred in applying for: Land Registry fee - £40.00 OCE's - £3.00 plus VAT per copy	£110.00	£350.00	£253.00

On drafting and serving a Statutory Demand

Upon Limited Company	Nil	£350.00	All reasonable costs incurred
Upon individual	Nil	£350.00	All reasonable costs incurred
Process Server's fees – TBA	-	-	-

For more information about our Dispute Resolution process, and our fees, please contact assistance@sw-sols.co.uk or on 01633 928282 .