

## **Understanding our work and our fees for motoring offences**

Tates Solicitors advise and represent on a wide range of driving offences throughout Yorkshire and occasionally further afield, some of which are listed below:

Careless driving (driving without due care and attention) · Causing death by careless driving · Causing death while unlicensed, disqualified or uninsured · Dangerous Driving · Driving whilst disqualified · Drug driving · Excess alcohol (drive, attempt to drive, in charge) · Excess alcohol (fail to provide a specimen) · Fail to stop/report an accident · No insurance · Speeding · Unfit through drink or drugs (drive, attempt to drive, in charge)

This is a list of examples. Don't worry if you do not see the offence that you are charged with, we can help. The allocation of a solicitor suitable to handle your case will always be undertaken by one of the Partners who each have over 15 years experience of handling such cases.

### **Our fees for cases requiring a single court hearing only**

Initial consultation £75 plus VAT. We meet you (face-to-face, or through telephone conference), take your instructions about the case and advise you on the best course of action.

If we are then instructed to represent you at Leeds/Bradford Magistrates Court on a guilty plea, the following additional fees would apply:

**Guilty plea and sentence:** one hearing (not exceptional hardship) Work up to and including the single hearing: £400 + VAT This would be for a straightforward case where we would represent you at Court and where any sentence took place immediately.

Hearings at Bradford Court will additionally incur travel costs of £100 + VAT and mileage at 45p (+VAT) per mile limited to 20 miles.

**Exceptional hardship single hearing:** Single hearing with evidence £600 + VAT

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Our work will include: · Taking instructions as required and advising on plea (if further advice required) · Obtaining details of the prosecution case, where available in advance of the single hearing · Advising on mitigation

· Liaising with the court, Crown Prosecution Service and police as required · Preparation of mitigation (including speaking to character witnesses as necessary) · Representing at court and calling such evidence as may be required.

If we need to represent you at Courts other than Leeds/Bradford the same initial rates will apply and you will inform as to the additional travel costs incurred

If you need further assistance or have questions, email [info@tates-solicitors.co.uk](mailto:info@tates-solicitors.co.uk) or phone 0113 242 2290.