

# Global Immigration alert

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## United Kingdom

### UK to increase fees for several immigration applications

#### Executive summary

Effective 9 April 2025, UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) will increase the processing fees for certain immigration applications.

#### Key developments

Individuals who file the following applications will be subject to the processing fees below:

- Visit Visa (with a validity period of up to six months): GBP 127 (up from GBP 115 previously)
- Electronic Travel Authorisation (ETA): GBP 16 (up from GBP 10 previously)
- Certificate of Sponsorship (COS): GBP 525 (up from GBP 239 previously)
- Indefinite Leave to Remain (ILR): GBP 3,029 (up from GBP 2,885 previously)
- Naturalization (adults): GBP 1,605 (up from GBP 1,500 previously)
- Skilled Worker/Global Business Mobility (GBM) Visas if the application is filed outside the UK:
  - With a validity period of up to three years: GBP 769 (up from GBP 719 previously)
  - With a validity period exceeding three years: GBP 1,519 (up from GBP 1,420 previously)
- Skilled Worker/GBM Visas if the application is filed in the UK:
  - With a validity period of up to three years: GBP 885 (up from GBP 827 previously)
  - With a validity period exceeding three years: GBP 1,751 (up from GBP 1,636 previously)

#### Impact on employers

These changes are expected to impact companies that employ foreign nationals in the UK or send impacted individuals to the UK for business purposes. Organizations may consider the new fees in connection with their workforce planning and update their internal policies as required.

#### Key steps

EY will continue to monitor these developments. Should you have any questions, we encourage you to contact one of our immigration professionals.



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