

# Scale of fees – criminal law

## Solicitor – Magistrates/childrens court matters

	Fixed fee (\$)
<b>Prepare and attend (includes court time)</b>	
Plea	575.10
Cross-examination of protected witness(es) (up to three hours court time)	298.00
Cross-examination of protected witness(es) (full day court time)	596.10
<b>Preparation</b>	
Trial (Solicitor only)	784.20
Trial (Solicitor instructing Counsel)	731.90
Registry committal	185.10
Formal application for Cross-examination of witnesses, disclosure direction order, and/or indicting summary matters	185.10
Committal hearing with Cross-examination	377.50
Bail application	115.00
Investigate prospects of reopening of sentence in line with section 188 of the <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1992</i>	697.50
Additional preparation for 20 or more charges	230.00
Additional preparation for 100 or more charges	453.40
Additional preparation when an interpreter is engaged	172.50
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (Solicitor only)	1150.20
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (Solicitor instructing Counsel)	2638.20
<b>Court time</b>	
Up to three hours	330.40
Full day	660.80
<b>Court time instructing counsel (Summary trial)</b>	
Up to three hours	240.50
Full day	481.00
<b>Court time instructing counsel (Committal)</b>	
Up to three hours	254.10
Full day	508.30
<b>Prison visit</b>	
	185.10
<b>Duty lawyer</b>	
Magistrate court only	132/hour

## Solicitor – Higher court matters

	<i>District Court Children's Court of Queensland</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>Supreme Court</i> Fixed fee (\$)
<b>Preparation</b>		
Plea	242.60	264.50
Breach	242.60	264.50
Pre-trial hearing	242.60	264.50
Vacating a plea	242.60	264.50
Trial	727.80	3470.60
Bail application	115.00	485.20
Investigate prospects of reopening of sentence in line with section 188 of the <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1992</i>	697.50	697.50
Additional preparation for 20 or more charges	242.60	242.60
Additional preparation when an interpreter is engaged	172.50	172.50
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (plea of guilty)	1566.50	2005.50
Additional preparation for extraordinary matters (trial)	2766.90	–
<b>Mentions/formal sentence/pre-sentence return date</b>		
Solicitor only	141.30	182.00
Solicitor instructing	102.50	102.50
<b>Court time instructing counsel</b>		
Up to three hours	351.40	363.90
Full day	702.70	727.80
<b>Negotiation/case conference</b>		
Conference	172.50	172.50
Negotiation	172.50	172.50
<b>Prison visit</b>		
	185.10	185.10
<b>Cross-examination of protected witnesses</b>		
Half day court attendance	351.40	363.90
Full day court attendance	702.70	727.80

## Solicitor advocate

	<i>District Court Children's Court of Queensland</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>Supreme Court</i> Fixed fee (\$)
<b>Preparation</b>		
Plea	370.20	473.70
Breach	370.20	473.70
Pre-trial hearing	370.20	473.70
Additional preparation for 20 or more charges	172.50	172.50
Additional preparation when an interpreter is engaged	172.50	172.50
Trial	757.10	—
<b>Mentions/formal sentence/pre-sentence return date</b>		
Solicitor only	141.30	182.00
<b>Court time</b>		
Up to three hours	414.00	509.20
Full day	828.00	—
<b>Negotiation/case conference/conference</b>		
	172.50	172.50

# Counsel

	<i>Childrens Court Magistrates Court</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>District Court Children's Court of Queensland</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>Supreme Court</i> Fixed fee (\$)
<b>Preparation</b>			
Plea	–	192.00	294.90
Breach	–	192.00	294.90
Pre-trial hearing	–	192.00	294.90
Early stages of committal proceedings	185.00	–	–
Formal application for Cross-examination of witnesses, disclosure direction order, and/or indicting summary matters	185.00	–	–
Committal hearing with Cross-examination	185.00	–	–
Higher court trial	–	578.90	4093.80
Bail application	–	–	363.90
Additional preparation time for extraordinary matters (plea)	–	1664.70	2598.50
Additional preparation time for extraordinary matters (trial)	2214.70	2865.10	–
<b>Mentions/formal sentence/pre-sentence return date</b>			
Mentions instructed	–	141.30	182.00
<b>Court time</b>			
Up to three hours	330.40	414.00	509.20
Full day	660.80	828.00	1018.60
<b>Negotiation/case conferencing</b>			
Conference	–	172.50	172.50
Negotiation	172.50	172.50	172.50
<b>Prison visit</b>			
	185.10	185.10	185.10
<b>Cross-examination of protected witnesses</b>			
	660.80	828.00	1018.40
<b>Summary trial (prepare and attend)</b>			
	1254.80	–	–

# Criminal law appeals

	<i>Solicitor</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>Solicitor Advocate</i> Fixed fee (\$)	<i>Counsel</i> Fixed fee (\$)
<b>District court s 222 appeal</b>			
Investigate prospects — sentence	454.20	—	—
Investigate prospects — conviction and sentence	681.30	—	—
Preparation and first day	1181.60	2001.60	1393.60
<b>Court of Appeal</b>			
Investigate prospects — sentence	743.20	—	929.00
Investigate prospects — conviction	1300.60	—	1625.80
Investigate prospects — conviction and sentence	1858.10	—	2322.60
<b>Appeal against sentence</b>			
Preparation and first day	681.30	—	1393.60
Subsequent days	364.00	—	1018.60
<b>Appeal against conviction</b>			
Preparation and first day	1246.20	—	2441.30
Subsequent half day	364.00	—	—
Subsequent full day	728.00	—	1018.60
<b>Appeal against conviction and sentence</b>			
Preparation and first day	1703.30	—	3483.80
Subsequent half day	364.00	—	—
Subsequent full day	728.00	—	1018.60
<b>High Court</b>			
Investigate prospects	743.20	—	1625.80
Preparation and first day — application for special leave	1362.60	—	2441.30
Preparation and first day — appeal	1362.60	—	2441.30
Subsequent half day	364.00	—	—
Subsequent full day	728.00	—	1527.70