

SRA Transparency Rules Checklist

General

What is the requirement?	Compliant?	Notes	Reviewed by	Date
Publicity of firm is accurate, not misleading, and not likely				
to reduce public trust				
Website includes:				
 address of company's registered office 				
2. the registered number form Companies House,				
and				
where in the UK the company is registered				

Rule 1 - Costs Information

What is the requirement?	Compliant?	Notes	Reviewed by	Date
Charges are clear				
(indicate whether VAT and disbursements are included)				
Costs are made clear at engagement and, where				
appropriate, as the matter progresses				
Work areas within scope (for				
individual clients unless specified):				
 conveyancing (residential) 				
 probate/wills (uncontested) 				
 motoring offences (summary only) 				
 immigration (excluding asylum) 				
 employment tribunals (unfair/wrongful dismissal 				
for both individuals and businesses)				

 debt recovery (up to £100,000 for businesses only) 		
 licensing applications for business premises 		
(for businesses)		
For services caught by the price transparency regime:		
(a) total cost of service OR the average/range of costs is		
clear		
(b) basis for charges, including any hourly rates OR fixed		
fees are clear		
(c) the experience and qualifications of those carrying out		
the work (and their supervisors) are clear		
(d) a description and the cost of any likely disbursements		
OR the average/range of costs are clear		
(e) if fees or disbursements attract VAT (and the amount		
of VAT they attract) are clear		
(f) what services are included in the price displayed		
(include key stages and likely timescales for each stage)		
are clear AND any services that might reasonably be		
expected to be included in the price displayed, but are		
not are stated		
(g) if a conditional fee or damages-based agreement is		
used, when a client may have to make any payments		
themselves for services (including from damages) are		
clear		
Costs information should be:		
- clear,		
- accessible,		
- located prominently on website		

Rule 2 – Complaints Information

What is the requirement?	Compliant?	Notes	Reviewed by	Date
Complaints information is located in a prominent place				
on your website				
Complaints handling procedures details are published,				
including how and when a complaint can be made to:				

- the Legal Ombudsman		
- the SRA		

Rule 3 - Publication

What is the requirement?	Compliant?	Notes	Reviewed by	Date
If an authorised firm or individual does not have a				
website, information set out in Rules 1 and 2 (above)				
must be available on request				

Rule 4 – Regulatory Information

What is the requirement?	Compliant?	Notes	Reviewed by	Date
Appropriate information about you, your firm and how				
you are regulated is visible				
Website, letterhead and emails show the words				
'authorised and regulated by the Solicitors				
Regulation Authority and either:				
- its registered name and number (if the firm is a LLP or				
company),				
Or				
- the name under which it is licensed/authorised by the				
SRA and the number allocated to it by the SRA (if the				
firm is a partnership or sole practitioner)				
1. SRA number				
SRA's digital badge				
are both displayed in a prominent place on website				
If an ABS, this must be displayed in a prominent place on				
the website relating to legal service.				
Clearly explain which services provided by you, your				
business or employer, and any separate business, are				
regulated by an approved regulator				
AND				

ensure you do not represent any business or employer		
which is not authorised by the SRA, including any		
separate business, as being regulated by the SRA		

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