

Civil news: early billing for asylum matters

News story

Changes are being made to the 2018 Standard Civil Contract effective from 1 September 2022 to allow early billing for asylum matters.



Providers will be able to claim the standard fee for asylum matters from 1 September 2022 before the case has concluded.

We are making this possible through changes to the immigration and asylum specification in the 2018 Standard Civil Contract.

The changes follow consultations with your representative bodies. This will only apply to work carried out under the asylum standard fee scheme and which meets the criteria set out in the specification.

Where can I find out more?

Full details of the contract amendments can be found on the Standard Civil Contract 2018 page on GOV.UK.

Further information

[Standard civil contract 2018](#) – for table of amendments and immigration and asylum category specific rules

[Guidance for reporting controlled work and controlled work matters](#) – for updated guidance on how to claim for work completed under the new clauses

[Legal aid guidance](#) – for practical guidance relating to early billing for asylum matters

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