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# the family mediation practice

## Mediation. HOW DOES IT WORK?



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#### Why use mediation?

Family mediation is designed to help people resolve matters regarding children and or finances following separation.

We help you settle arrangements outside of court; saving time, easing conflict and saving you costly court bills.

#### How does it work?

Initially we will speak to you both individually, where appropriate this can be done over the phone, to carry out a Mediation Information and Assessment Meeting (known as a MIAM).

During this informative process we explain further the process, answer any questions you have and assess whether your case is suitable for mediation.

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#### What happens if I want to proceed with mediation?

We will arrange your first mediation session at a neutral location that is mutually convenient for you both. There will be two mediators present to help you reach agreement.

This session will normally last for around 90 minutes, or longer if you want (this can be decided beforehand or during the session)

Further sessions can then be arranged if necessary.

## What happens if I don't want to proceed with mediation or the other party is unwilling to?

In this case, the next stage is likely to be making an application to court.

In order to do this you will need an FM1 Certifcate. For matters relating to children theis is part of the C100 Form. For financial matters this is part of Application Form A.

We provide these for you as part of the MIAM if required.

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#### How much does it cost?

The MIAM costs £100; this includes the initial assessment and also covers all costs in contacting the other party, letters, telephone calls and if applicable the C100 and Form.

All mediation sessions cost £120 per hour per person, so a standard session therefore costs £180 per person with additional time being charged in 30 minute increments.

There is a one off administration fee of £50 per person, charged on the first mediation session. If, however, you have already carried out a MIAM with The Family Mediation Practice, this cost is waived.

All costs are correct at the time of publication. Please call us to make sure that there have been no changes.

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