

HMO Licence fee benchmarking against other local authorities

HMO licence fees charged by other local authorities:

Local Authority	New HMO licence fees			Renewal HMO licence fees			Duration /description (Pro-rata for 5 years)
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Total	Stage 1	Stage 2	Total	
Oxford City Council (operate mandatory and additional HMO licensing)	£1,100	£840	£1940	£260	£215	£475	High rate annual (£3840) ¹
	£305	£220	£525	£190	£60	£250	Standard rate annual (£1525) ²
	-	-	-	£190	£85	£275	2-year renewal (£1075) ³
	-	-	-	£190	£205	£395	5-year renewal
West Oxford District Council	£262	£358	£620	-	-	-	3 years (£1033)
South & Vale District Councils	£410	£310	£720	-	-	£510	5 years ⁴
Warwick District Council	£832 to £1275 depending on number of occupants			£616 to £936 depending on number of occupants			5 years Extra fees and discounts apply ⁵
Bristol City Council	£468	£952	£1420	£363	£737	£1100	5 years. Extra fees and discounts apply ⁶
Bath & North-East Somerset Council	£500	£295	£795	£500	£195	£695	5 years. Discounts apply ⁷
Birmingham City Council	-	-	£1150	-	-	£850	1 or 5 years. Extra fees and discounts apply ⁸
Eastleigh Borough Council	£615	£285	£900	-	-	-	5 years. Extra fees and discounts apply ⁹

¹ Pro-rata fee calculated assuming higher-rate new plus 4 higher-rate renewals

² Pro-rata fee calculated assuming standard new plus 4 standard renewals

³ Pro-rata fee calculated assuming standard new plus 2 two-year renewals

⁴ South and Vale’s licence fee covers one interim inspection, and they charge £150 for additional inspections requested by landlord.

⁵ Warwick apply discounts for landlords making multiple applications. Extra administrative charges include: £53 for repeated requests for missing documents; £159 unlicensed HMO finder’s fee.

⁶ Bristol charge extra £50 per household when more than 5 households; extra £100 if found unlicensed; £150 discount for providing certificates promptly.

⁷ BANES offer £50 discount for entirely electronic (and correct) applications. £25 charge for missed inspections.

⁸ Birmingham offer £150-£300 discounts for accredited landlords. £100 surcharge for incomplete applications. Licences issued for 5 years or 1 year if subject to enforcement action.

⁹ Eastleigh charge for occupants over 5 up to £1150 max fee. £51.75 missed appointment fee.