



# Disclosure & Barring Service

7th October 2024

## Important information

### Regarding plans to change Disclosure and Barring Service fees

#### Background

The Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) is planning to change the cost of DBS checks and the DBS Update Service from 2nd December 2024 (Subject to ministerial approval). All product fees will be increasing however DBS checks for volunteers will remain free-of-charge. Details of the individual fee changes will be finalised once the proposal has been laid in Parliament on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024, indicative fees are below:-

Fee Proposal Date:	Enhanced DBS fee:	Standard DBS fee:	Update Service fee:	Basic DBS fee:
2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2024	£49.50	£21.50	£16.00	£21.50

#### Why are DBS fees changing?

The fee for each of the DBS 'chargeable' products is set at its own unit cost with the aim of full cost recovery for each product. These fees are reviewed annually to ensure they remain appropriate and deliver value for money for both the customer and the public purse.

Over the last few years, we have been able to deliver substantial savings to our customers, through significant reductions in the fees for our Disclosure checks, and by holding the fee for our Update Service.

Quality remains at the core of what we do in our products, in the services we provide, and in the decisions that we make. To maintain the highest quality, in an environment with growing demand for our services together with the need to modernise and replace legacy IT platforms these changes are now necessary.

We will provide further updates as the required legislation progresses. In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact your account manager (if you have one), or email: [customerservices@db.gov.uk](mailto:customerservices@db.gov.uk)

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