



## Enforcing Monetary Judgments (CCJ's)

As High Court Enforcement Officers, Equivo are authorised by the Ministry of Justice to enforce judgments issued in England and Wales. We can enforce judgments obtained in the High Court and almost any judgment issued in the County Court (where the amount is over £600.00).

When we attend to enforce a judgment, we attend with a High Court writ that allows us to seize remove goods belonging to the Defendant if payment of the judgment amount isn't made.

If you have a judgment from the High Court, we can act to enforce immediately. If your judgment has been awarded in the County Court, we will arrange for the transfer the case to the High Court, so that we can act on your behalf. We can transfer the case for free, but when we apply for a writ there is a £60.00 disbursement payable to HM Courts and Tribunal Service. This disbursement must be paid in advance but is recoverable from the Defendant upon successful enforcement.

The transfer process usually takes around 10-14 days, but this largely depends upon County Court turnaround times and it may take longer. We offer an Express Transfer Service, which can reduce lead times to under five days. We would be happy to provide you with a quote if you are considering using the Express Transfer Service.

I want to go ahead and enforce my judgment. What do you need from me? In order to proceed with enforcement, we will need:

- A copy of the judgment you want us to enforce
- Your completed instruction form
- Payment of the HM Courts and Tribunal Service disbursement (if you need us to obtain a writ on your behalf)

## What will you do once the writ is obtained?

Once we have received the writ, one of our Enforcement Officers will be dispatched to attend the Defendant's address.



Once on site, our Enforcement Officer will seize goods belonging to the Defendant and will request payment of the amount due under the writ. If the Defendant is unable to pay in full, we will make a short-term payment arrangement to clear any balance.

We will generally only remove goods if the Defendant cannot make payment or if the goods we have seized are at risk.

## How much will it cost?

Our fees are generally payable by the Defendant in accordance with The High Court Enforcement Officers Regulations (2004). These regulations allow us to charge our fees in addition to the judgment debt where we are successful.

If, when we attend, it becomes clear that the Defendant is unable to pay and that he does not have sufficient goods to cover removal and sale costs, we may invoice you £75+VAT to cover the costs of our attendance.

This means that you will not be liable for our fees if we are successful and will only be liable to pay £75+VAT in relation to our fees if we are unable to enforce your judgment. You should also note that in such cases we would be unable to recover the costs to you of obtaining the writ (£60.00).

## How do I instruct Equivo?

All you need to do is simply fill in our online form by clicking the 'Instruct Us' button below. For any questions, you can contact our team on **020 7788 8484**. Or for more information, visit our website at **www.equivo.com**.

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