

## Information Sheet: Criminal Injuries

The Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority (CICA) is a government organisation that was established to pay compensation to individuals who have been injured due to violent crime, through no fault of their own.

At Alsters Kelley we have a team of personal injury solicitors who can deal with your application for you, to ensure you are guided through the process with ease. We can prepare the application to the CICA for you and deal with any queries from the authority when investigating your claim.

If the CICA finds that you are eligible for compensation, we will advise you on the award offered. We can apply to have this reviewed for you, if you can show that you are entitled to a higher award under the Authority's award tariff.

The awards granted by the CICA range from £1,000 - £500,000, and special expenses such as loss of earnings may be recoverable on top.

You need to ensure you have reported the incident to the police as soon as possible after the incident took place and fully cooperate with the criminal investigations. You also need to have received treatment from a medical professional for your injuries.

Applications for compensation need to have been received by the CICA within 2 years of the incident date.

If you are interested in pursuing a claim and would like us to help, then please contact us.

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