



Social Security Scotland
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Applying for Child Disability Payment





Child Disability Payment is money to help with caring for a disabled child.



It is paid to parents or carers of disabled children from 3 months old up to 16 years old.



The child must have had a disability for 3 months or more. And the disability must be expected to continue for at least 6 months unless they are terminally ill.



You can still apply if your child's condition hasn't been diagnosed yet. It could be a health condition, mental, emotional or physical disability or behavioural issues.



How much you can get paid is based on 2 parts. They are:

- Care. This is about how much the child needs looked after.
- Mobility. This is about how much help the child needs to get around.

For the care part of payments, there are 3 weekly rates:

- Lowest: £26.90. This is paid if the child needs some help for most of the day.
- Middle: £68.10. This is paid if the child needs frequent help during the day or night.
- Highest: £101.75. This is paid if the child needs help during the day and night.



For the mobility part of payments, there are 2 weekly rates:



- Lower: £26.90. This rate is for children aged 5 and over. It is paid if the child needs supervision when moving around outdoors.
- Higher: £71.00. This rate is for children aged 3 and over. It is paid if the child can't walk or finds walking difficult, or if they have a severe visual or mental disability.

If your application for Child Disability Payment is successful, the first payment date will be calculated from either:



- The date the first part of your application was submitted.
- The date you started the application process by phone.



It is paid every 4 weeks. It will be paid into the account you give in your application. If the child is terminally ill, payments will be made weekly in advance.



You, the child, or their carer may also qualify for related benefits. For more information, go to **mygov.scot/child-disabilitypayment/related-benefits**



If your child already gets Disability Living Allowance for children from DWP, you don't need to apply for Child Disability Payment. We will write to you when we're ready to transfer your child to Child Disability Payment. This will happen automatically.



You can find out more and apply online at **mygov.scot/childdisability**. You can apply in person, over the phone or ask for a paper application form by calling Social Security Scotland free on **0800 182 2222**.



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