

Pension Age Disability Payment – Website/ Newsletter text

A new disability benefit for people of State Pension age is open for applications across Scotland.

Pension Age Disability Payment is for people aged 65 and over who are disabled or who have a long-term health condition that means they need help looking after themselves or supervision to stay safe. It is also available to people who have a terminal illness.

Pension Age Disability Payment is not income-based and is available even if someone has savings

It is the replacement in Scotland for Attendance Allowance from the Department for Work and Pensions. People who already get Attendance Allowance do not need to apply as their award will automatically be moved to Social Security Scotland.

Applications can be made in-person, online or via a paper form. Social Security Scotland has a separate fast-track application route for people who are terminally ill, with eligible people automatically entitled to the higher rate of the benefit payment.

For more information or to apply, visit mygov.scot/pensiondisability or call Social Security Scotland free on 0800 182 2222. Get in touch to request a paper form or in-person appointment.