HOUSING BENEFIT Working Age Regulations		HOUSING BENEFIT Working Age Regulations	
PERSONAL ALLOWANCES (weekly fig.	ures)	PREMIUMS (weekly figures)	
Under 25, or In WRAG / Support Group Aged 25 - State Pension age* Lone Parent Under 18, or In WRAG / Support Group Aged 18 - State Pension age* Couples Both aged under 18, or One in WRAG / Support Group At least one aged 18 or over** Children (generally where Child Benefit is in paym For each dependent child under 20 No additional child allowance for child born on or after where two or more already included in award unless sy see website for more details.  * State Pension age is currently 65.  ** HB will come to an end where the older member of a State Pension age except where the younger member of claimant of IR-ESA, IB-JSA or income Support. HB can	£ 77.78 6th April 2017 pecial rules apply -	Family Note: Not for new claims from 1st May 2016 or those who have not been on HB with child since 30th  ESA Component  Work related activity (WRAG)^ Support  *Abolished from 3rd April 2017 unless protected -see w  Disability Single Couple Enhanced Disability Single Couple Severe Disability* Single Couple Couple Severe Disability*  Single Couple - one qualifies Couple - both qualify  **Complicated rules - please see website  Disabled Child Enhanced Disability (Child)	£ 33.7(
PRIVATE SECTOR OCCUPANCY RULES: M restricted to applicable Local Housing Allow property needed (shared accommodation re	wance for size of	CAPITAL: Max £16,000. Deemed income of: £1/wk per £250 (or part of	£ 42.79
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IT IS	HOUSING BENEFIT State Pension Age Regulations		
	PERSONAL ALLOWANCES (weekly figures)		
£ 18.53 th April 2016	Single Turned State Pension age before 1.4.21 Turned State Pension age on or after 1.4.21	£217.00 £201.05	
£ 33.70 £ 44.70	Couple One or both turned State Pension age before 1.4.21 Both State Pension age on or after 1.4.21	£324.70 £306.85	
website for more details.	Child (generally where Child Benefit is in payment) No additional child allowance for child born on or after 6th April 2017 where two or more already included in	£ 77.78	
£ 39.85	award unless special rules apply - see website for more details.		
£ 56.80	PREMIUMS (weekly figures)		
£ 19.55 £ 27.90	Family  Note: Not for new claims from 1st May 2016, or those who have not been on HB with child since 30th April 2016	£ 18.53	
	Severe Disability**		
£ 76.40	Single	£ 76.40	
£ 76.40	Couple (one qualifies)	£ 76.40	
£152.80	Couple (both qualify) "Complicated rules - please see website	£152.80	
£ 74.69	Disabled Child	£ 74.69	
£ 30.17	Enhanced Disability (Child)	£ 30.17	
£ 42.75	Carer	£ 42.75	

HOUSING BENEFIT NON-DEPENDANT DEDUCTIONS	
Claimant or partner on: PIP/ADP daily living or DLA/CDP care (any rate), or Attendance Allows or CAA, or Armed Forces Independence Payment registered blind or severely sight impaired	ance,
Circumstances of non-dependant:	
Temporary stay / on remand / in prison	Nil
Non-dep on Pension Credit	Nil
Non-dep aged 16-17	Nil
Non-dep aged 18-24 on: IR-ESA not in WRAG or Support Group, or IS / IB-JSA or	
Universal Credit with no 'earned income'	NII
Non-dep full time student (summer hols must not be working 16hr+/wk)	Nil
Non-dep in Armed Forces on operations	Nil
Non-dep working 16hr+ / wk, gross income	=
Under £162	£ 18.10
£162 - £235.99	£ 41.60
£236 - £307.99	£ 57.10
£308 - £409.99	£ 93.40
£410 - £510.99	£106.35
£511 or over	£116.75
Non-dep in any other situation (including if off work sick or on maternity leave)	£ 18.10
SOCIAL SECTOR OCCUPANCY RULES: BEDROOM TAX - unless excluded, reduce eligible 14% if one 'spare' bedroom, 25% if two+ 'spare' bedroo	e rent by: sedrooms.

:	BENEFIT CAP Inside G.London ( Couples & single parents £486.98 Single people, no children £326.29 Unless excluded—see website	E423.46 £283.71
,	Student Loan State Pension age* only: Child Tax Credit	£10.00
)	Widowed Parents Allowance SSP / SMP / SAP / SPP	£15.00
)	Lodger income War Pension	£20.00
)	Bereavement Support Payment	All
	Child Benefit & Child Maintenance Fostering Allowance	All
	OTHER DISREGARDS PIP/ADP, DLA/CDP,AFIP,AA,Constant AA	All
	Permitted Earnings special rules apply - please seek advice	/£167.00
	Plus where applicable:  16 / 30 hour disregard special rules apply - please seek advice  100% child care up to (1 child / 2+) £	£17.10
	Couple Single Person	£10.00
	Claimant or partner: In WRAG/Support Group or Disability Premium or Carers Premium (only applies where carer is working)	£20.00
	Single Parent	£25.00

HOUSING BENEFIT

#### HOUSING BENEFIT **FUEL DEDUCTIONS** £35.25 £ 4.10 Hot Water £ 2.85 Lighting £ 4.10 Cooking £46.30 Fuel charge deductions for one room: Heating & hot water and /or lighting £21.10 Where fuel etc provided, these deductions only apply where the charge is not specified by landlord / claimant. MEAL DEDUCTIONS £ 4.05 (claimant and each member of family) Less than 3 meals a day: £22.10 Single claimant £22.10 Each person in family aged 16 or over Each child under 16 £11.05 Three or more meals a day: £33.15 Single claimant £33.15 Each person in family aged 16 or over £16.80 Where meals are provided with a charge in the rent, the above meal deductions always apply, regardless of the actual charge specified by the landlord / claimant. HB OVERPAYMENT RECOVERY RATES: £12.75 (plus 1/2 basic wages disregard £21.25 if working) information | advice | training

# (monthly figures)

## MAXIMUM UNIVERSAL CREDIT

#### Standard Allowance Single under 25

Single 25 or over	£368.74
Couple both under 25	£458.51
Couple one or both 25+	£578.82
Child Element	
Higher amount included for 1st child if born before 6.4.17	£315.00

# Note: No additional child element for child born on or after 6th April 2017 where two or more already included in award unless special rules apply - see website for more details.

### **Disabled Child Element**

low	£146.3
high	£456.8
Limited Capability for Work Element Element abolished from 3rd April 2017 unless protected	£146.3
Limited Capability for Work Related Activity Element	£390.0
Carer Element	£185.8
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# Childcare Element

80 % OF I	monu	ny eng	ible childca	re up to a max or:
	one	child	£646.35	two+ children £1108.04
From July	2023:			
	one	child	£950.92	two+ children £1630.15

Transitional SDP Element: £132.12/ £313.79/ £445.91 plus (where entitled): DP: £172/£246 EDP: £84/£120 CDE: £177 Managed Migration Transitional Element: Note: can be eroded or lost altogether. (See website for more details)

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# UNIVERSAL CREDIT

### WORK ALLOWANCE

Only applicable if claimant/partner either:
- is responsible for a child / qualifying young person, or
- has LCW / LCWRA

Low (gets HCE or lives in 'temporary accommodation')	£379
High	£631
(no HCE including those living in 'specified accommo	dation')

### Earnings taper 55%

SSP, SMP, SPP, SAP - treated as earnings

£292.11

£4.35/month income per £250 (or part of) above £6,000

#### DISREGARDED INCOME

PIP / ADP / DLA / CDP / AFIP / Constant AA / AA

# Child Benefit & Child Maintenance

Fostering Allowance

Bereavement Support Payment

War Pension / War Widows Pension

BENEFIT CAP Unless excluded—see website	Inside Greater London	Outside Greater London
Couples & single parents	£2110.25	£1835.00
Single people, no children	£1413.92	£1229.42

Entitlement can be reduced by income / deductions. For more information on how Universal Credit is calculated please see the website.

# UNIVERSAL CREDIT

#### HOUSING COSTS ELEMENT

CAPITAL: Max £16,000, unless on Guarantee Pension Credit Deemed income of: £1/wk per £500 (or part of) over £10,000.

SOCIAL SECTOR: monthly rent =

Monthly rent less Housing Costs Contribution

# Eligible rent x no. of weeks charged divided by 12, less Bedroom Tax (unless excluded) - reduce eligible rent by: 14% if one 'spare' bedroom, 25% if two+ 'spare' bedrooms.

#### PRIVATE SECTOR: monthly rent = Restricted to applicable Local Housing Allowance for size of property needed (shared accommodation rate to 4 beds).

Housing Costs Contributions (Non-dep	deductio
Unless one of the below apply	£85.7
Non-dep aged under 21	N

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# Non-dep on Carers Allowance Non-dep who is a 'prisoner'

Claimant on daily living PIP/ADP, mid or high care DLA/CDP, AFIP, CAA, AA, or certified as severely sight impaired or blind

Note: Couple non-dependents treated as two single people.

Once assessed the DWP can deduct up to 25% of the claimant's Standard Allowance for various debts.

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#### PENSION CREDIT (weekly figures)

Guarantee Pension Gredit		
Single		£201.05
Couple		£306.85
Severe Disability	single	£ 76.40
	couple	£152.80
Carer		£ 42.75
Child (if not getting Child Tax Credit)		£ 61.88
For eldest if born before 6th April 2017		£ 72.31
Disabled Child		
(if not getting Child Tax Credit)	low	£ 33.67
	high	£104.86
Savings Pension Credit		
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# single

£174.49 £277.12 couple Maximum: £ 15.94 single £ 17.84 couple

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#### TAX CREDITS (annual figures)

Max Working Tax Credit Max Child Tax Credit

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Basic	£2,280	Family*	£ 545
Couple/lone prt	£2,340	Child**	£3,235
30 hour	£ 950	Disabled child	£3,905
Disabled worker	£3,685	Sev. Disabled child	£1,575
Severe disability Weekly childcare	£1,595	*Abolished from April 2017 protected - see website for details.	
70% of eligible char to a maximum of:	ges up	**No additional child eleme born on or after 6th April 2 two or more already include	017 where
one child	£ 175	award unless special rules see website for more detail	apply - ls.
2+ children	£ 300		
WTC threshold	£7,455	CTC threshold	£18,725
Both:			
Withdrawal rate	41%		

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## IMPORTANT:

The figures given for the means-tested benefits ie HB, UC, Tax Credits, PC, IS, IB-JSA and IR-ESA, are the figures used when working out how much someone may be entitled to. Their actual award could depend on their income and savings

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## INCOME SUPPORT INCOME-BASED JOBSEEKERS ALLOWANCE

As Housing Benefit except:	
Couple, both under 18	£67.20 / £101.5
Couple, one under 18, other 18-24	£67.20 / £133.3
Couple, one under 18, other 25+	£84.80 / £133.30
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# included where mixed age couple# INCOME-RELATED

# **EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT ALLOWANCE**

# As Housing Benefit except:

or during main phase	£ 84.80	
Couple, both under 18 higher rate or during main phase	£101.50 £133.30	
Couple, one under 18, other 18+	£67.20 / £84.80 / £133.30	
or during main phase	£84.80/ £133.30	
No disability premium - replaced in main phase by:		
Work related activity component <sup>4</sup> , or	£ 33.70	

\*Abolished from 3rd April 2017 unless protected - see website for more details.

Pensioner Premium (NOTE: no Enhanced Disability Premium)

included where mixed age couple# \* Amount reduced by any WRAG or Support Component

# For more about mixed age couples - see website

ARREARS DIRECT / DIRECT DEDUCTION RATE: £4.25

OTHER KEY BENEFITS (weekly figures) Contribution Based / low £68.10

New-Style JSA Under 25 high £101.75

£ 67.20 £84.80 Age 25+ Disability Living Allowance Child Disability Payment (5) Contributory/New-Style ESA

low £ 26.90 Assessment phase: £ 67.20 mid £ 68.10 Under 25 £ 84.80

high £101.75 Age 25+

low £ 26.90 Main phase: Work related<sup>↑</sup> £ 33.70 £71.00

PIP / Adult Disability

Dely Living Standard £ 68.10 protected- see website for more details. Enhanced £101.75 State Pension (basic)\* Cat A

Mobility Standard £ 26.90 £156.20 / £93.60 Cat B Enhanced £ 71.00 Cat D

Armed Forces IP £172.75 Carers Allowance £76.75 New State Pension\*

Carers Allowance £270.50 "Exact amount depends on NI contributions etc.

eldest £ 24.00 SMP / SPP / SAP £172.48

other £15.90 Maternity Allowance the lesser

Scottish Child Payment (s)

of: £172.48 / 90% average wages £ 25.00 Bereavement Support Payment £350 / £100 a month

£ 20.40

(s) = Scotland