

The following information gives general guidance only and should not be treated as a complete and authoritative statement of law.

## Personal Allowances

- ▶ Single aged less than 25  
**£51.85**
- ▶ Single aged less than 25 who:  
are getting Employment Support Allowance with a component or have been treated as incapable of work for 28 weeks or more starting 27 October 2008 or later  
**£51.85**
- ▶ Single aged 25-59  
**£65.45**
- ▶ Single aged 60 or over  
**£132.60**
- ▶ Lone Parent (any age)  
**£65.45**
- ▶ Couple aged less than 60  
**£102.75**
- ▶ Couple aged 60 or over  
**£202.40**

## Disability Premium

If you are unable to work due to sickness for a total of at least 28 weeks, you may qualify for the Disability Premium. You may also qualify for the Disability Premium if you **and** your partner are under 60 **and** you **or** your partner:

- ▶ are registered blind, or
- ▶ were registered blind until recently, or
- ▶ have been given an invalid carriage, or
- ▶ get certain benefits because you are disabled or cannot work. For example:
  - Incapacity Benefit (long term rate)
  - Employment and Support Allowance (including a component or for 28 weeks or more)
  - Severe Disablement Allowance
  - Disability Living Allowance, or
  - are getting Working Tax Credit , which includes a disability element
- ▶ **single people £28.00**
- ▶ **single people in certain circumstances £31.40**
- ▶ **couples £39.85**

## Enhanced Disability Premium - single people

You may get Enhanced Disability Premium as well as any other premium you qualify for.

You may qualify for Enhanced Disability Premium if:

- ▶ you are aged under 60, and
- ▶ you get Disability Living Allowance care component at the higher rate
- ▶ you get Employment and Support Allowance which includes the support component
- ▶ **your requirements may include £13.65**

## Enhanced Disability Premium - couples

Your requirements may include Enhanced Disability Premium as well as any other premiums you qualify for.

You may qualify for the Enhanced Disability Premium if:

- ▶ you and your partner are aged under 60, and
- ▶ you or your partner get Disability Living Allowance care component at the higher rate; or
- ▶ you or your partner get Employment Support Allowance which includes the support component
- ▶ **your requirements may include £19.65**

## Severe Disability Premium - single people

Your requirements may include Severe Disability Premium as well as any other premiums you qualify for.

You may qualify for the Severe Disability Premium if:

- ▶ you get Attendance Allowance or Disability Living Allowance care component at the middle or higher rate, and
- ▶ no one gets Carer's Allowance for looking after you, and
- ▶ you are not a householder, or
- ▶ you are a householder but live alone (certain people can be ignored when deciding if you live alone)
- ▶ **your requirements may include £53.65**

## Severe Disability Premium - couples

Your requirements may include Severe Disability Premium as well as any other Premiums you qualify for.

There are 3 ways for couples to qualify for Severe Disability Premium

- ▶ If you and your partner both get Attendance Allowance or Disability Living Allowance care component at the middle or higher rate, and
  - no one lives with you, and
  - no one gets Carer's Allowance (previously known as Invalid Care Allowance) for looking after you
  - **your requirements may include £107.30**
  
- ▶ If you and your partner get Attendance Allowance or Disability Living Allowance care component at the middle or higher rate, and
  - no one lives with you, and
  - someone gets Carer's Allowance (previously known as Invalid Care Allowance) for looking after one of you
  - **your requirements may include £53.65**
  
- ▶ If either you or your partner get Attendance Allowance or Disability Living Allowance care component at the middle or higher rate, and:
  - the other partner is registered blind, and
  - no one lives with you, and
  - no one gets Carer's Allowance (previously known as Invalid Care Allowance) for looking after the partner with the Attendance Allowance or Disability Living Allowance
  - **your requirements may include £553.65**

## Carer Premium

Your requirements may include a Carer Premium for each member of your family who meets the qualifying conditions. Your requirements may include Carer Premium as well as any other premiums you qualify for.

You may qualify for Carer Premium if you or any partner:

- ▶ get Carer's Allowance, or
- ▶ have claimed Carer's Allowance but do not get it because you get more from another benefit
- ▶ **your requirements may include £30.05**