

# WELFARE RIGHTS INFORMATION

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People can apply for payments for all of their children [using a single form](#).

- [Scottish Child Payment](#)
- [Best Start Grant Pregnancy and Baby Payment](#)
- [Best Start Grant Early Learning Payment](#)
- [Best Start Grant School Age Payment](#)
- [Best Start Foods](#)

**UC** *Universal Credit*

- Tax credits are closing in April 2025 and customers must respond to their migration notices to continue receiving benefits.
- Those affected have three months from the date on their migration notice to apply for Universal Credit.
- Customers do **not** need to take action until they receive their migration notice letter from the Department from Work and Pensions.

DWP is urging Tax Credit customers to respond to their Universal Credit migration notices, so they continue to receive benefits.

Anyone affected will be sent a 'migration notice' by DWP to apply for Universal Credit as the department continues to transition over a million claimants on legacy benefits to Universal Credit.

Legacy benefits - such as Tax Credits, Housing Benefit, Income Support, Jobseeker's Allowance and Income-Related Employment and Support Allowance - are being phased out to bring government financial support into one place.



**CARER SUPPORT PAYMENT EXTENDED TO NEW AREAS**

Carer Support payment is coming to Glasgow on 4 November 2024

## Winter Fuel Payment

- Payment restricted to older people in receipt of [qualifying benefit](#)
- Qualifying benefits: Universal Credit, Pension Credit, Income Support or Income based Job Seekers Allowance, Income Related Employment Support Allowance
- Pension Age Winter Heating Payment now deferred until winter 2025
- Encourage pensioners to check their eligibility for [Pension Credit](#) to secure their payment this winter
- Pension Age Winter Heating Payment planned to be delivered by Social Security Scotland from Winter 2025



**For More information**

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**The Warm Home Discount Scheme** is a one-off £150 discount off your electricity bill.

If you're eligible, your electricity supplier will apply the discount to your bill. The money is not paid to you.

You'll usually get the discount automatically if you're eligible. You only need to apply if you're on a low income in Scotland - contact your energy supplier to apply.

You may be able to get the discount on your gas bill instead if your supplier provides you with both gas and electricity and you're eligible. Contact your supplier to find out.