

4. Passporting to other benefits and services

This fact sheet provides details of entitlements or passports to other benefits and services

Disability Living Allowance (DLA) provides entitlement or 'passports' to other help and support provided by DWP, other Government Departments, and devolved administrations. Broadly, these passporting arrangements have been maintained under PIP.

This document sets out the main support that is passported from PIP. Support may be administered by local authorities, and for many benefits and schemes there are additional qualifying conditions. These conditions are not changing as a result of the introduction of PIP. For some schemes, such as Blue Badge, there are alternative ways of accessing the benefit that do not rely on a particular rate or component of PIP or DLA.

For DWP benefits, DWP will share information to enable claimants to automatically access other disability benefits and services. In most other cases, claimants will need to use their PIP award letter as proof of entitlement.

In this document, all references to a disabled child or disabled children for passporting purposes apply only to a qualifying young person aged 16 or over as PIP is not available to children under the age of 16.

The Scottish and Welsh Governments may choose to use different passporting rules for their schemes to those that will apply in England.

DWP benefits and schemes

| Passported benefit /scheme | PIP Component and rate (England, Scotland and Wales) | Additional information where applicable |
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| Disability premium in HB, IS and JSA | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component | n/a |
| Severe disability premium in HB, ESA, IS, JSA /Additional amount for severe disability in Pension Credit | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component | n/a |
| Enhanced disability premium in HB, ESA, IS, JSA | Enhanced rate daily living component | n/a |
| Carer's Allowance | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component | If Carer's Allowance is awarded, it may affect some of the benefits that the disabled person receives. It will not however affect the PIP award. Further information about Carer's Allowance can be found on www.gov.uk . |
| Carer premium in the income-related benefits and the Additional amount for carers in Pension Credit | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component | n/a |
| Carer's Credit | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component | This is not a cash benefit. It helps carers build up qualifying years for the basic state pension and additional state pension. |

| Passported benefit /scheme | PIP Component and rate (England, Scotland and Wales) | Additional information where applicable |
|---|---|--|
| Disabled child premium | Any rate or component | n/a |
| Enhanced disability premium (child) | Enhanced rate daily living component | n/a |
| Childcare costs disregard in HB | Any rate or component | n/a |
| No non-dependant deductions in HB, ESA, IS, and JSA | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component | n/a |
| Child support – special expenses incurred by non-resident parent due to disability of 2nd child | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component | n/a |
| Student eligibility for income-related ESA | Any rate or component | n/a |
| Christmas bonus | Any rate or component | n/a |

HM Revenue and Customs and HM Treasury benefits and schemes

| Passported benefit /scheme | PIP component and rate (England, Scotland and Wales) | Further information where applicable |
|---|--|--|
| Tax Credits: | | For further information see HM Revenue & Customs Tax Credits |
| – Disability element of Working Tax Credit | Any rate or component | n/a |
| – Severe disability element adult of Working Tax Credit | Enhanced rate daily living component | n/a |
| – Defining an adult as incapacitated and a child as disabled for the childcare element of Working Tax Credit | Any rate or component | n/a |
| – Disabled child element of Child Tax Credit | Any rate or component | n/a |
| Severely disabled child element of Child Tax Credit | Enhanced rate daily living component | n/a |
| – Extension to employer-provided childcare tax exemption | Any rate or component | n/a |
| – Reduced VAT for grant-funded installation of heating equipment, security goods or connections of gas supply | Any rate or component | n/a |

Vehicles and Associated Schemes

| Passported benefit /scheme | PIP Component and rate (England, Scotland and Wales) | Additional information where applicable |
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| Motability | Enhanced rate mobility component | Motability is an independent charity. Further information about the Motability scheme can be found at www.motability.co.uk |
| Treatment of hire cars for disabled people as short life assets | Standard or enhanced rate mobility component | Scheme administered by HMRC |
| Insurance Premium Tax exemption for vehicles leased through Motability | Enhanced rate mobility component | Scheme administered by HMRC |
| Zero VAT for vehicles leased through Motability | Enhanced rate mobility component | Scheme administered by HMRC |
| Vehicle Excise Duty exemption/reduction | Enhanced rate mobility component (exemption) Standard rate mobility component (50% reduction) | For further information see www.gov.uk |

Business Innovation and Skills

| Passported benefit /scheme | PIP component and rate (England and Wales) | PIP component and rate (Scotland) |
|--|---|--|
| Parental leave from work | Any rate or component | Any rate or component |
| Right to request flexible working | Any rate or component | Any rate or component |
| Cancellation of student loans | Any rate or component | Any rate or component |
| Income disregard for deferring repayment of 'mortgage style' student loans | Any rate or component | No passport as yet |

Cabinet Office

| Passported benefit /scheme | PIP component and rate (England and Wales) | PIP component and rate (Scotland) |
|--|---|---|
| Proxy voting without medical attestation | Enhanced rate mobility component | No passport as yet for Scottish parliamentary elections |

Communities and Local Government

| Passported benefit /scheme | PIP component and rate (England only) |
|--|--|
| Council tax discount disregards: | |
| – Severe mental impairment disregard | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component |
| – Live-in care worker disregard | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component |
| Housing renewal grants: | |
| – Disability premium | Any rate or component |
| – Severe disability premium | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component |
| – Enhanced disability premium | Enhanced rate daily living component |
| – Disabled child premium | Any rate or component |
| Local council tax reductions (prescribed requirements and default scheme): | |
| – Childcare costs disregard | Any rate or component |
| – No non-dependant deductions | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component |
| – Disability premium | Any rate or component |
| – Severe disability premium | Standard or enhanced rate daily living component |
| – Enhanced disability premium | Enhanced rate daily living component |

Further information about these schemes in Scotland and Wales can be found on the www.scotland.gov.uk, and www.wales.gov.uk.

Department for Education

| Passported benefit /scheme | PIP component and rate (England only) |
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| 16-19 Bursary Fund vulnerable groups element | Any rate or component |

Department of Health

| Passported benefit /scheme | PIP component and rate (England, Scotland and Wales) |
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| Income disregards in care home funding | Any mobility component; any daily living component for temporary residence. |

In England receipt of PIP will also be considered in the same way as DLA when calculating entitlement to help with health costs under the NHS Low Income Scheme.

Department for Transport

| Passported benefit /scheme | PIP component and rate (England) | PIP component and rate (Scotland) | PIP component and rate (Wales) |
|---|---|---|---|
| Concessionary travel pass, without further assessment | 8pts or more under activity 12 (Moving around) or under activity 7 (Communicating verbally) | Any rate or component of PIP. Further information can be found on concessionary travel Scotland | To be confirmed. Further information can be found on concessionary travel Wales |
| Blue badge, without further assessment | 8pts or more under activity 12 (Moving around) | Further information can be found on the Blue Badge Scheme Scotland | Further information can be found on the Blue Badge scheme Wales |

Other help and support

Access to Work

Access to work is money for practical support to help people do their job. The aim of Access to Work is to support disabled people into work, and when in work to retain it by reducing the inequalities between disabled and non-disabled people and removing practical barriers to work. How much is awarded depends on circumstances rather than a direct passport from PIP. See [fact sheet 11](#) and www.gov.uk.

Universal Credit

For disabled claimants on Universal Credit, support will be provided through two limited capability for work elements. Based on the outcome of a Work Capability Assessment, these additional elements will be payable where a person cannot reasonably be expected to look for work, where the person has limited capability for work (LCW), or has limited capability for work and work-related activity (LCWRA). Further information can be found on www.dwp.gov.uk.

Exemption from the Benefit Cap

Households will be exempt from the benefit cap where a claimant (of any of the benefits subject to the cap), partner or qualifying young person is entitled to PIP. An adult in receipt of PIP living with the household who is not the claimant, their partner or a qualifying young person does not exempt the household from the benefit cap. They are considered as a household in their own right.

Armed Forces Independence Payment (AFIP)

The Ministry of Defence (MoD) is introducing this new benefit that will provide financial support for injured service or ex-service personnel. It will be called the Armed Forces Independence Payment (AFIP) and is being introduced from 8 April 2013.

The benefit will simplify the financial support for members of the Armed Forces who have been seriously injured as a result of their service since the introduction of Armed Forces Compensation Scheme (AFCS) in 2005 and in the future.

AFIP claimants will receive a flat-rate benefit which for passporting purposes is the equivalent of the enhanced rates of the daily living and mobility components of PIP.

Claimants who choose to claim AFIP will not be eligible for PIP, DLA or Attendance Allowance (AA). Claimants who choose not to apply for AFIP will be treated as a DLA, PIP or AA applicant in the usual way. Although from June 2013 claimants between the ages of 16 and 64 will no longer be able to claim DLA, but must instead claim PIP.

More detailed information about Personal Independence Payment: www.dwp.gov.uk/pip