

Carer's Allowance

Claim form



Only use this form to claim Carer's Allowance if you are getting State Pension

- Use this form to claim Carer's Allowance.
- Please read the Notes that came with the claim pack before you fill in the form.
- The form must be filled in by you, the carer, not the person you look after.
- Please fill in this form with BLACK INK and in CAPITALS.
- Please answer all the questions.



This form is available in **large print** or **braille**. Please ring **0345 608 4321**.

If you have speech or hearing difficulties, you can contact us by textphone on **0345 604 5312**.

Our **textphone** service does not receive messages from mobile phones.

Calls to 0345 numbers cost no more than a standard geographic call, and count towards any free or inclusive minutes in your landline or mobile phone contract.

About you – the carer

Please answer the questions of	n this form in BLOCK CAPITALS
Title , for example Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms	
Surname or family name	
All other names in full	
All other surnames or family names you have used or have been known by	
National Insurance (NI) number	Letters Numbers Letter

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About you – the carer continued

Date of birth	Day Month Year / /	
Address		
	Postcode	
Daytime phone number		
	If you have speech or hearing difficulties and would lus to contact you by textphone , tick here.	ike 🗌
Mobile number		
What is your marital or civil partnership status?	single separated married or civil partner divorced or civil partnership dissolve living with partner widowed or survivir	
If you live in Wales and would like us to contact you in Welsh, tick this box.	civil partner	
About your Carer's Allowe	ance	
When do you want your Carer's Allowance claim to start?	Day Month Year / /	
For more information p	please read page 14 of the Notes .	

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About you – the carer continued

What is your nationality? For example, British. If you have a current passport, please give your nationality as shown on your passport. Which country are you	
living in now? Is this the country that you normally live in?	No Yes
	If No, which country do you normally live in?
Were you present in Great Britain throughout the three years before the date you are claiming from? By Great Britain we mean England, Scotland or Wales.	No See See See See See See See See See Se
Were you present in any countries other than Great Britain since the date of claim?	No Yes
Do you, or any member of your family, receive any benefits or pensions from a country which is not Great Britain?	No Yes
Have you, or a member of your family made a claim, for any benefits or pensions which has not yet been decided, from a country which is not Great Britain?	No Yes
Are you, or a member of your family, working in or paying insurance to, another EEA state or Switzerland?	No Yes

If you have answered 'Yes' to any of the last 4 questions, we will contact you for more information.

About the care you provide

Please tell us about the person you look after.

This will help us deal with your claim more quickly. Title, for example Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms Their surname or family name Their other names in full Letters **Numbers** Letter **Their National Insurance** (NI) number Year Day Month / / Their date of birth Their address You do not have to live at the same address as the person you look after. Postcode Their daytime phone number What relation is this person to you? If no relation, write None. Have you received any No payment from a local Yes Please give details on page 11. authority, any other We will also contact you about this. organisation or individual to care for the person you are claiming Carer's Allowance for or anybody else since your claim date? For example – Payments for Fostering, Adult Placements or Direct Payments.

About the care you provide continued

Do you spend 35 hours or more each week caring for this person? A week is from the start of a Sunday to the end of the next Saturday.	No Yes
Have you had any breaks in looking after this person since the date you want to claim from?	No Please give details on page 11. We will also contact you about this.
Did you look after this person for at least 35 hours each week before the date you want to claim from?	No
Have you had any breaks in looking after this person in the six months before the date you want to claim from?	No Please give details on page 11. We will also contact you about this.
For more information	please read page 15 of the Notes .
Does the person you look after get Armed Forces Independence Payment?	No Yes

Statement on behalf of the person you look after

The person you look after needs to know if you are claiming Carer's Allowance as this may affect some of their benefits. There are 3 statements in this section. One of them must be signed. The guestions will help you decide who needs to sign. Can the person you look If the person you look after is unable to sign No after sign a statement? **Statement 1** because of a health condition, a disability, or because they are under 16, someone who acts for them can sign on their behalf. Please go to **Statement 2** on **page 7**. Yes Please ask them to read the notes below, then to sign **Statement 1** below. Then go to page 9. Notes for the person being looked after If you get a severe disability premium with your income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Income Support, income-related Employment and Support Allowance or Housing Benefit, you may no longer get that premium if we pay Carer's Allowance to your carer. If your Pension Credit includes an extra amount for severe disability, you may no longer get that extra amount if we pay Carer's Allowance to your carer. For more information about this, contact the office that deals with your benefit or entitlement. This could also affect any reduction in Council Tax you may be entitled to. To find out more about it, please contact the Local Authority. If we pay Carer's Allowance to your carer, your Personal Independence Payment, Disability Living Allowance, Attendance Allowance, Constant Attendance Allowance or Armed Forces Independence Payment will not be affected. Statement 1 I understand that the carer named on page 1 is making a claim for Carer's Allowance and that this may affect some of my benefits. I understand that you will look at details of my claim for Personal Independence Payment, Disability Living Allowance, Attendance Allowance, Constant Attendance Allowance or Armed Forces Independence Payment as part of their claim for Carer's Allowance. Please tick one of the following boxes. I can confirm that the carer named on page 1 looks after me for at least 35 hours a week. If you have ticked this box, I cannot confirm that the carer named on page 1 please tell us why on page 7. looks after me for at least 35 hours a week. **Signature** / / Date

Statement on behalf of the person you look after continued

If you cannot confirm that the carer named on page 1 looks after you for at least 35 hours a week, please tell us why.	
Now return this form to your co	arer.
Statement 2	
	No Please go to Statement 3 on page 8.
you look after?	Yes Please read and sign the statement below. Then go to page 9.
Please tick one of the following I am acting for benefit purpose after, and I am their parent or guardian attorney appointee judicial factor	
deputy curator bonis.	
their benefits. I understand that you will look Independence Payment, Disabi Allowance, Constant Attendance	carer's Allowance may affect some of at details of their claim for Personal lity Living Allowance, Attendance are Allowance or Armed Forces at of my claim for Carer's Allowance.
Signature	
Date	

Statement on behalf of the person you look after continued

Statement 3	
Does someone else act for	No Please go to page 9.
the person you look after?	Yes Please ask them to read and sign the statement below Then go to page 9.
Please tick one of the following	boxes.
I am acting for benefit purpose and I am their	es for the person being looked after,
parent or guardian	
attorney	
appointee	
judicial factor	
deputy	
curator bonis.	
I understand that this claim fo	or Carer's Allowance may affect some of their benefits.
I understand that you will look Disability Living Allowance, Att	at details of their claim for Personal Independence Payment, endance Allowance, Constant Attendance Allowance or Armed as part of this claim for Carer's Allowance.
Please tick one of the following I can confirm that the carer na looks after the person being co for at least 35 hours a week.	med on page 1
I cannot confirm that the care looks after the person being co for at least 35 hours a week.	. •
Signature	
Full name	
Date	
If you cannot confirm that the carer named on page 1 looks after the person being cared for, for at least 35 hours a week, please tell us why.	

About your partner

Their date of birth

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 By partner we mean: a person you are married to married, or a civil partner or a person your partners. 	o or live with as if you are
Have you had a partner living with you at any time since the date you want to claim from? If you have separated from your partner since the date you want to claim Carer's Allowance from, please tick 'Yes'.	No Please go to page 10. Yes Please tell us about them below.
Your partner's title, for example Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms	
Their surname or family name	
Their other names in full	
All other surnames or family names they have used or have been known by	
Their National Insurance (NI) number	Letters Numbers Letter
	Day Month Year

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Other details

Have you been on a course of education since the date you want to claim from?	No Yes	Please give details on p We will contact you abo		
Have you been employed at any time since six months before the date you want to claim from?	No Yes	Please give details on p We will contact you ab		
Are you or have you been self-employed since the week before the date you want to claim from? It is important that you read page 17 of the Notes booklet for examples of self-employment.	No Yes	Please give details on p We will contact you ab	out this.	
Have you or your partner claimed or received any other benefits since the date you want to claim from? If you are waiting to hear about a claim, still tick Yes. Please include details for your partner, even if you have separated since the date you want to claim from.	You No	Please tell us the names of the benefits or entitlements below.	Your p No	Please tell us the names of the benefits or entitlements below.
For more information	olease rec	nd pages 16 and 17 of th	ne Notes .	

Other information

Please tell us anything else you think we should know about your claim.

Consent

We may wish to contact your current or previous employers, or other people or organisations you have told us about on this form, for information about your claim. You do not have to agree to us contacting these people or organisations. But if you do not agree to this, it may mean that we cannot get enough information to be sure that you meet the conditions of entitlement for your claim.

Do you agree to us getting information from any current or previous employer you have told us about on this form?

Do you agree to us getting information from any other person or organisation you have told us about on this form?

Yes

If you have answered **No** to either statement and you would like us to know why, please tell us about this on **page 11**.

Declaration

If you do not sign your declaration, we cannot accept this form and we will return it to you.

I declare that the information I have given on this form is correct and complete as far as I know and believe.

I understand that if I knowingly give information that is incorrect or incomplete. I may be liable to prosecution or

incorrect or incomplete, I may be liable to prosecution or other action.

I understand that I must promptly tell the office that pays my Carer's Allowance of anything that may affect my entitlement to, or the amount of, that benefit.

This is my claim for Carer's Allowance.

Signature

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Now please read **What to do now** on the next page.

What to do now

- Check that you have answered all of the questions.
- Contact us if you cannot fill in the form or any benefit you may be entitled to may be delayed.
- Check that you have signed the form on **page 12**.
- Check that the person you look after, or someone who acts on their behalf, has read the notes on page 6 and has filled in and signed one of the statements.
- Send everything to us in the envelope that came with this claim pack. The envelope does not need a stamp.

Our address is: Carers Allowance Unit

Mail Handling Site A Wolverhampton WV98 2AB.

How the Department for Work and Pensions collects and uses information

When we collect information about you we may use it for any of our purposes. These include dealing with:

- social security benefits and allowances
- child support
- employment and training
- financial planning for retirement
- occupational and personal pension schemes.

We may get information about you from others for any of our purposes if the law allows us to do so. We may also share information with certain other organisations if the law allows us to.

To find out more about how we use information, visit our website at www.gov.uk/dwp/personal-information-policy or contact any of our offices.