



Other ways to communicate with us

If you need braille, British Sign Language, a hearing loop, translations, large print, Easy Read, audio or something else, please contact us on 0800 99 1234.

If you use Relay UK dial 18001 followed by our telephone number.

If you live in Wales and want this form in Welsh call 0800 99 1234.

Applying for Pension Credit

The quickest way to apply for Pension Credit is online. A friend or family member can help you do this. To make a Pension Credit claim online, go to www.gov.uk/pension-credit.

Pension Credit claim line

Telephone: 0800 99 1234.

Lines are open Monday to Friday, 8am to 6pm except public holidays.

If you need help with this form

Before you fill in this form, **please read the notes booklet to help you**. After you have read the notes and if you still need help to fill in the form, you can ask a friend or phone the Department for Work and Pensions on the number above.

About your application

We ask a lot of questions on this form, but you may not need to answer them all. As you fill in the form and answer Yes or No, we tell you what questions to go to next. Please reply to all the questions that apply to you so we can pay you the right amount of money.

Make sure you sign and date the form and send it back to us with all the documents we have asked for. We will return them to you as soon as we can.

This is usually within 5 working days of us getting them but sometimes can take longer.

Please complete this form carefully. If you fill in this form using a pen, use black ink and CAPITAL LETTERS.



Please read the PC1 notes booklet to help you fill in the form

About you

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|---|--|
| <p>01 Title For example, Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms or other.</p> | <p>08 Your contact address (if different)</p> |
| <p>02 Last name</p> | <p>Postcode</p> |
| <p>03 First name</p> | <p>09 Phone number If you provide your mobile number we may contact you by text message to deal with your claim, or any queries you may have, as quickly as possible.</p> |
| <p>04 All other last names you have used or have been known by Include maiden names, all former married names and all changes of surname or family name.</p> | <p>10 Are you registered blind or severely sight impaired? No Yes</p> |
| <p>05 Date of birth DD/MM/YYYY</p> | <p>11 Do you want to speak to us in Welsh? No Yes <u>Go to question 14</u></p> |
| <p>06 National Insurance (NI) number You can get this from your National Insurance number card, letters about benefits, payslips or form P60.</p> | <p>12 Are you able to speak to us in English? No Yes <u>Go to question 14</u></p> |
| <p>07 Your address</p> <p>Postcode</p> | <p>13 What language would you like us to use when we speak to you?</p> |

About your partner

14 Do you have a partner?

We use 'partner' to mean a person you are married to or a person you live with as if you are married to them, or a civil partner or a person you live with as if you are civil partners.

No **Go to question 25**

Yes

15 Does your partner live permanently in a care home?

No

Yes **Go to question 25**

16 Are you separated from your partner?

If you are separated only because someone is temporarily in a hospital or care home, tick **No**.

No

Yes **Go to question 25**

17 Does your partner agree to you making this application?

No

Yes

18 Your partner's title

For example, Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms or other.

19 Your partner's last name**20 All your partner's other names in full****21 All other surnames or family names your partner has used or has been known by****22 Your partner's date of birth**

DD/MM/YYYY

23 Your partner's NI number**24 Is your partner registered blind or severely sight impaired?**

No

Yes

About any child/children and qualifying young people you want to claim for

25 Do you want to claim Pension Credit for any children or qualifying young people?

No **Go to question 92**

Yes

How many children do you want to claim for?

If you want to claim for more than 2 children or qualifying young people, please provide more details in the **Other information** section.

Child 1

26 First name

27 Last name

28 Sex of child

Female

Male

29 Child's date of birth

DD/MM/YYYY

30 What date do you want to claim for the child from?

31 What date did you become responsible for the child?

32 Does the child live with you all the time?

No

Yes **Go to question 36**

33 How often do they live with you?

For example, 3 days a week.

34 Where else does the child live?

Postcode

35 Who do you share caring responsibilities with?

36 If you have only just taken over responsibility for the child, who was responsible for them before you?

37 Do you get Child Benefit for this child?

No

Yes **Go to question 40**

38 Who claims Child Benefit for this child?

39 What is the NI number of the person who claims Child Benefit?

40 Is the child aged between 16 and 19?

No **Go to question 43**

Yes

41 Is the child in full time education, non-advanced education or an approved training course?

No **Go to question 43**

Yes

42 When did the non-advanced education or approved training start?

43 Is the child looked after by the local authority, not including respite care?

No

Yes

44 Is the child in prison or custody pending trial or sentence?

No

Yes

45 Is the child currently away from home, but in Great Britain?

No **Go to question 48**

Yes

46 How long in total are they expected to be absent for?

47 If more than 52 weeks, why is the child away from home?

48 Is the child currently outside Great Britain?

No **Go to question 51**

Yes

49 How long in total are they expected to be absent for?

50 If more than 4 weeks, why is the child absent from Great Britain?

51 Is the child entitled to Disability Living Allowance?

No **Go to question 52**

Yes

What rate of Disability Living Allowance is the child entitled to?

Care Component highest rate

Care Component middle rate

Care Component lowest rate

Mobility Component higher rate

Mobility Component lower rate

52 Is the child entitled to Child Disability Payment?

No **Go to question 53**

Yes

What rate of Child Disability Payment is the child entitled to?

Care Component highest rate

Care Component middle rate

Care Component lowest rate

Mobility Component higher rate

Mobility Component lower rate

53 Is the child entitled to Personal Independence Payment?

No **Go to question 55**

Yes

What rate of Personal Independence Payment is the child entitled to?

Daily living enhanced rate

Daily living standard rate

Mobility enhanced rate

Mobility standard rate

54 Is the child entitled to Adult Disability Payment?

No **Go to question 55**

Yes

What rate of Adult Disability Payment is the child entitled to?

Daily living enhanced rate

Daily living standard rate

Mobility enhanced rate

Mobility standard rate

55 Is the child certified as severely sight impaired or blind by a consultant ophthalmologist?

No

Yes

56 Have you claimed Tax Credits in the last 12 months?

No **Go to question 59**

Yes

57 Are you still claiming Tax Credits?

No

Yes **Go to question 59**

58 When did the Tax Credit claim come to an end?

If you want to claim for a second child or qualifying young person, go to **question 59**. If not, go to **question 92**.

Child 2

59 First name

60 Last name

61 Sex of child

Female

Male

62 Child's date of birth

DD/MM/YYYY

63 What date do you want to claim for the child from?

64 What date did you become responsible for the child?

65 Does the child live with you all the time?

No

Yes **Go to question 69**

66 How often do they live with you?

For example, 3 days a week.

67 Where else does the child live?

Postcode

68 Who do you share caring responsibilities with?

69 If you have only just taken over responsibility for the child, who was responsible for them before you?

70 Do you get Child Benefit for this child?
No
Yes **Go to question 73**

71 Who claims Child Benefit for this child?

72 What is the NI number of the person who claims Child Benefit?

73 Is the child aged between 16 and 19?
No **Go to question 76**
Yes

74 Is the child in full time education, non-advanced education or an approved training course?
No **Go to question 76**
Yes

75 When did the non-advanced education or approved training start?

76 Is the child looked after by the local authority, not including respite care?
No
Yes

77 Is the child in prison or custody pending trial or sentence?
No
Yes

78 Is the child currently away from home, but in Great Britain?
No **Go to question 81**
Yes

79 How long in total are they expected to be absent for?

80 If more than 52 weeks, why is the child away from home?

81 Is the child currently outside Great Britain?
No **Go to question 84**
Yes

82 How long in total are they expected to be absent for?

83 If more than 4 weeks, why is the child absent from Great Britain?

84 Is the child entitled to Disability Living Allowance?
No **Go to question 85**
Yes

What rate of Disability Living Allowance is the child entitled to?

- Care Component highest rate
- Care Component middle rate
- Care Component lowest rate
- Mobility Component higher rate
- Mobility Component lower rate

85 Is the child entitled to Child Disability Payment?

No **Go to question 86**

Yes

What rate of Child Disability Payment is the child entitled to?

- Care Component highest rate
- Care Component middle rate
- Care Component lowest rate
- Mobility Component higher rate
- Mobility Component lower rate

86 Is the child entitled to Personal Independence Payment?

No **Go to question 88**

Yes

What rate of Personal Independence Payment is the child entitled to?

- Daily living enhanced rate
- Daily living standard rate
- Mobility enhanced rate
- Mobility standard rate

87 Is the child entitled to Adult Disability Payment?

No **Go to question 88**

Yes

What rate of Adult Disability Payment is the child entitled to?

- Daily living enhanced rate
- Daily living standard rate
- Mobility enhanced rate
- Mobility standard rate

88 Is the child certified as severely sight impaired or blind by a consultant ophthalmologist?

No

Yes

89 Have you claimed Tax Credits in the last 12 months?

No **Go to question 92**

Yes

90 Are you still claiming Tax Credits?

No

Yes **Go to question 92**

91 When did the Tax Credit claim come to an end?

If you want to claim for more than 2 children or qualifying young people, please provide more details in **Other information** on **page 19**.

About where you live

92 Do you live permanently in a care home?

No **Go to question 93**

Yes

Do you own the property you used to live in?

No **Go to question 105**

Yes **Go to question 105**

93 Does anyone live in your household apart from you and your partner?

No **Go to question 95**

Yes

94 What is their name and relationship to you?

95 Are you or your partner responsible for paying the rent, Council Tax or both for the place where you live?

If they are paid through Housing Benefit or Council Tax reduction, still tick **Yes**.

No **Go to question 97**

Yes

96 What is the name of your council?

97 Have you claimed or are you about to claim Housing Benefit?

No

Yes

98 Have you applied or are you about to apply for a reduction in Council Tax?

No

Yes

99 Do you or your partner pay service charges for the place where you live?

For example, money for upkeep of the building (in Scotland, called 'factoring').

No

Yes Please send us proof

100 Do you rent your property or own it?

Rent it

Own it

101 Do you or your partner pay ground rent for the place where you live?

In Scotland, this is called 'ground annual'

No

Yes Please send us proof

102 When the lease on your home was granted, was it for more than 21 years?

No

Yes

103 Do you or your partner share the rent or mortgage for the place where you live with anyone else?

If you and your partner just share with each other, tick **No**.

No

Yes

104 Do you or your partner have a mortgage or home loan on your home?

No

Yes

About money you have, including savings and investments

105 Do you or your partner have any money, including savings and investments?

Please check the notes for what we mean by savings and investments.

No **Go to question 107**

Yes

106 What is the total amount?

If this amount is more than £10,000, please fill in and return the form **About Savings and Investments (PC1H)**.

£

107 Apart from the place where you live, do you or your partner own any other property or land in this country or abroad?

If it is on a mortgage or loan, tick **Yes**

No **Go to question 109**

Yes

108 Tell us about the property or land

If you need to tell us more, go to **Other information** on **page 19**.

About benefits - You

109 Have you claimed any benefits that you are waiting to hear about?

No **Go to question 110**

Yes

Which benefits are you waiting to hear about?

110 Does anyone get Carer's Allowance, Carer Support Payment or an extra amount of Universal Credit for looking after you?

Tick **Yes** if they have claimed it and are waiting to hear about it. Also tick **Yes** if they could not be paid it because they receive another benefit.

No **Go to question 113**

Yes

111 Your carer's full name

112 Your carer's NI number

113 Do you spend 35 hours a week or more looking after someone who is getting or waiting to hear about: Attendance Allowance, Pension Age Disability Payment, Constant Attendance Allowance, Disability Living Allowance, Scottish Adult Disability Living Allowance, Child Disability Payment, Personal Independence Payment or Adult Disability Payment?

No

Yes

Not known

About benefits - Your partner

114 Has your partner claimed any benefits that you are waiting to hear about?

No Go to question 115

Yes

Which benefits is your partner waiting to hear about?

115 Does anyone get Carer's Allowance, Carer Support Payment or an extra amount of Universal Credit for looking after your partner?

Tick **Yes** if they have claimed it and are waiting to hear about it. Also tick **Yes** if they could not be paid it because they receive another benefit.

No Go to question 118

Yes

116 Full name of your partner's carer

117 NI number of your partner's carer

118 Does your partner spend 35 hours a week or more looking after someone who is getting or waiting to hear about: Attendance Allowance, Pension Age Disability Payment, Constant Attendance Allowance, Disability Living Allowance, Scottish Adult Disability Living Allowance, Child Disability Payment, Personal Independence Payment or Adult Disability Payment?

No

Yes

Not known

About pensions

119 Have you or your partner paid into a private pension scheme from which you expect to get money in the next 12 months?

No

Yes

120 Do you or your partner get a private pension, money from a place where you used to work or any other pension?

If you expect to get a pension in the next 12 months, please tick **Yes**. Do not count any State Pension paid by the Department for Work and Pensions. If you tick **Yes** and need to tell us about more than 2 pensions, please use the space at **Other information** on **page 19**.

No Go to question 139

Yes

Pension 1

121 Who pays the pension?

122 What type of pension is it?

123 How much is paid?

£

124 How often is it paid?

125 When is the pension normally received?

For example, the last day of the month.

126 When did you receive your latest payment?

127 Does the pension increase each year?

No

Yes

128 Who gets the pension?

You

Your partner

129 If you or your partner expect to get a pension in the next 12 months, when do you expect to get the first payment?

Pension 2

130 Who pays the pension?

131 What type of pension is it?

132 How much is paid?

£

133 How often is it paid?

134 When is the pension normally received?

For example, the last day of the month.

135 When did you receive your latest payment?

136 Does the pension increase each year?

No

Yes

137 Who gets the pension?

You

Your partner

138 If you or your partner expect to get a pension in the next 12 months, when do you expect to get the first payment?

Please send us your latest pension payslip or anything else that shows what you will get. Do not send form P60. We will return all documents you send - this can take 5 working days but sometimes may take longer.

About work

139 Have you left self-employed work in the last 3 months?

No **Go to question 140**

Yes

Date you left work

140 Are you doing any paid work now?

No **Go to question 141**

Yes

Is this self-employed work?

No

Yes

If you have a partner, go to **question 141**. If not, go to **question 143**.

141 Has your partner left self-employed work in the last 3 months?

No **Go to question 142**

Yes

Date your partner left work

142 Is your partner doing any paid work now?

No **Go to question 143**

Yes

Is this self-employed work?

No

Yes

About other money coming in

143 Do you or your partner have any other money coming in?

You do not need to tell us about benefits paid by the Department for Work and Pensions.

No **Go to question 166**

Yes

Money details 1

144 What is this money?

145 How much is paid?

£

146 How often is it paid?

147 Who is paid the money?

You

Your partner

Money details 2

148 What is this money?

149 How much is paid?

£

150 How often is it paid?

151 Who is paid the money?

You

Your partner

Money details 3

152 What is this money?

153 How much is paid?

£

154 How often is it paid?

155 Who is paid the money?

You

Your partner

Money details 4

156 What is this money?

157 How much is paid?

£

158 How often is it paid?

159 Who is paid the money?

You

Your partner

Please send us proof of the money coming in. If we do not receive proof, it may affect the date we can pay you from. Any documents you send must be originals, not photocopies. We will return all documents you send - this can take 5 working days but sometimes may take longer.

160 Do you or your partner expect to start getting any money in the next 12 months?

If you expect to get a lump sum payment, please tell us about this in **Other information** on **page 19**.

By lump sum, we mean something like money coming in from the sale of a house you used to live in, or a one-off payment you will get instead of a private pension.

No **Go to question 166**

Yes

161 Who will pay this money?

162 How much will be paid?

£

163 How often will it be paid?

164 Who will be paid the money?

You

Your partner

165 When do you or your partner expect to start getting this money?

Other things we need to know

166 Are you in hospital as an inpatient?

No **Go to question 167**

Yes

What date did you go into hospital?

Name of the hospital

167 Are you staying temporarily in a care home?

No

Yes

168 Do you have the right to reside in the UK?

For example, you have the right to reside in the UK if you are a British citizen.

No

Yes

169 At any time, have you come to live or returned to live in the UK from abroad?

No **Go to question 189**

Yes

170 What is your nationality?

171 Which country have you come from?

172 What date did you last come to the UK?

173 Was this to work in the UK?

No

Yes

174 Has the Home Office put a limit on how long you can stay in the UK?

No

Yes

175 Does your passport or eVisa say no recourse to public funds?

The passport will have a stamp in it or you will have a Home Office letter.

No

Yes

176 Tell us your immigration status share code, if you have one. This is usually made up of 9 numbers and letters, and starts with an 'S'

For more information on immigration status share codes, please visit www.gov.uk/view-prove-immigration-status

If you do not have an immigration status share code, please tell us the number you use to sign in to your UKVI account. This is usually an ID document number that you used to create your account.

If you do not have a UKVI account, please visit

www.gov.uk/guidance/online-immigration-status-evisa

177 If you have lived in the UK before, when did you last leave the UK?

178 Have you come to the UK under the Family Reunion Scheme?

No

Yes

179 Have you come to the UK under a sponsorship undertaking?

This is a form that a relative must sign to say they will pay for your living expenses if you settle in the UK.

No **Go to question 184**

Yes

180 Name of the sponsor

181 Address of the sponsor

Postcode

182 Home Office reference number

183 What date did the sponsor sign the sponsorship undertaking?

184 Are you an asylum seeker?

No

Yes

185 Did you first apply for asylum before 3 April 2000?

No

Yes

186 Have you recently had a successful decision on your asylum application?

No

Yes

187 What was the date when you got the successful decision of your asylum application?

188 Have you been supported by the Home Office while waiting for a decision on your asylum application?

No

Yes

189 Is your partner in hospital as an inpatient?

If you do not have a partner, go to **question 212**

No **Go to question 190**

Yes

What date did your partner go into hospital?

Name of the hospital

190 Is your partner staying temporarily in a care home?

No

Yes

191 Does your partner have the right to reside in the UK?

For example, you have the right to reside in the UK if you are a British citizen.

No

Yes

192 At any time, has your partner come to live or returned to live in the UK from abroad?

No **Go to question 212**

Yes

193 What is your partner's nationality?

194 Which country has your partner come from?

195 What date did your partner last come to the UK?

196 Was this to work in the UK?

No

Yes

197 Has the Home Office put a limit on how long your partner can stay in the UK?

No

Yes

198 Does your partner's passport or eVisa say no recourse to public funds?

The passport will have a stamp in it or you will have a letter from the Home Office.

No

Yes

199 Tell us your partner's immigration status share code, if they have one. This is usually made up of 9 numbers and letters, and starts with an 'S'

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200 If your partner has lived in the UK before, when did they last leave the UK?

201 Has your partner come to the UK under the Family Reunion Scheme?

No

Yes

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No **Go to question 207**

Yes

203 Name of the sponsor

204 Address of the sponsor

Postcode

205 Home Office reference number

206 What date did the sponsor sign the sponsorship undertaking?

207 Is your partner an asylum seeker?

No

Yes

208 Did your partner first apply for asylum before 3 April 2000?

No

Yes

209 Has your partner recently had a successful decision on their asylum application?

No

Yes

210 What was the date when your partner got the successful decision of their asylum application?

211 Has your partner been supported by the Home Office while waiting for a decision on their asylum application?

No

Yes

When you want to apply from

212 When do you want to apply from?

We will consider your application from the date you choose.

The qualifying age

Go to Other Information

Another date

What date do you want to apply from?

If this date is in the past, please tell us about how your circumstances have changed since then.

213 Please tell us why you think you qualify from this date

Other information

214 Please use this space to tell us anything else you think we might need to know.

How we pay you

We normally pay Pension Credit into an account

Please tell us your account details below. By doing this, you agree to be paid by direct payment. It is very important you fill in all the boxes correctly. If you are going to open an account, please complete the rest of the form and tell us your account details as soon as you get them.

If you do not give us details of a bank account you can use, we cannot pay Pension Credit even if you are entitled to it.

215 How often do you want to be paid?

4-Weekly

Fortnightly

Weekly

About the account you want to use

216 Name of the account holder

This should be exactly as shown on the chequebook or statement.

217 Full name of bank or building society

218 Sort code

Please tell us all 6 numbers, for example 12-34-56.

— —

219 Account number

Most account numbers are 8 characters long, some can have up to 10 characters.

220 Building society roll or reference number

If you are using a building society account, you may need to tell us a roll or reference number. This may be made up of letters and numbers and is up to 18 characters long. If you are not sure if the account has a roll or reference number, ask the building society.

Your declaration

I agree that the information I have given is complete and correct

While I am receiving Pension Credit I will report changes to my circumstances straight away by calling the Department for Work and Pensions.

If I give wrong or incomplete information, or I do not report changes straight away, I may:

- be prosecuted
- need to pay a financial penalty
- have my Pension Credit reduced or stopped
- be paid too much Pension Credit and have to pay the money back.

Please sign the form here

Your signature

Please make sure you have read and understand the declaration.

Date

For people filling in this form for someone else

221 Have you signed this form for someone else?

No [Go to What to do now](#)

Yes

Tell us about yourself below

222 Your contact address

Postcode

223 Your phone number

224 Your National Insurance number

What to do now

Please make sure you have signed and dated the declaration

Please check:

- that you are sending us all the original documents we have requested – for example, pension payslips
- that you have answered all the questions on this form that apply to you and your partner, if you have one, and
- that you have filled in form **MI12**, if we included one with this application form.

Please tick which original documents you are sending to us

We will return all the documents to you. We will do our best to return them to you within 5 working days of receiving them

Proof of service charges

Proof of ground rent or ground annual

Proof of a private or works pension or any other pension - except a State Pension paid by the Department for Work and Pensions

Proof of money coming in

Then send your forms and documents to us

Where to send your completed form

Use the envelope that came with this form, if provided, which does not need a stamp. The form should then be sent to:

Freepost DWP Pensions Site 8

Changes to your personal circumstances

Please tell us about any changes to your personal circumstances

You must tell the Department for Work and Pensions straight away by using the number on **page 1** of this form if there is a change in your circumstances or those of your partner (if you have one).

If you give wrong or incomplete information, or do not report changes straight away, you may:

- not receive the full amount of Pension Credit you are entitled to
- be paid too much and have to pay the money back
- have your Pension Credit reduced or stopped
- need to pay a financial penalty.

For office use only

I have read back to the customer the entries I made on this form, based on the information they gave me. The customer agreed these were correct

Interviewing officer's signature

Customer's signature

Date of signature

Date of issue

Initial date of contact

Date of application

Date of entitlement

More information

Treating people fairly

We are committed to the Equality Act 2010 and treating people fairly. To find out more about this law, search 'Equality Act' on www.gov.uk

Call charges

Calls to 0800 numbers are free from personal mobiles and landlines.

How DWP collects and uses information

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

- social security benefits and allowances
- child maintenance
- employment and training
- investigating and prosecuting tax credits offences
- private pensions policy and
- retirement planning.

We may get information about you from other parties for any of our purposes as the law allows to check the information you provide and improve our services. We may give information about you to other organisations as the law allows, for example to protect against crime.

To find out more about our purposes, how we use personal information for those purposes and your information rights, including how to request a copy of your information, please visit www.gov.uk/dwp/personal-information-charter

Official DWP social media channels



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