

Child Care Costs

Did you know that a maximum of £300.00 per week will not be counted when we work out your income for Housing and Council Tax Support?

Who does this apply to?

Child Care costs can be disregarded if you are:

- A Lone parent working at least 16 hours per week
- Couples where both are working at least 16 hours per week
- A Couple where one partner is working at least 16 hours per week and the other is counted as disabled or long term sick

What kind of child care can be taken into consideration?

We will disregard payments made to:

- Registered Child Minders
- Nurseries and play schemes
- Out of School schemes

What is the age limit for children?

We will disregard child-care costs payable for your children from birth until the first Monday in September following their 15th birthday or in the case of a disabled child the first Monday after their 16th birthday.

How much will be disregarded from my income?

A maximum of £175.00 per week will be disregarded for one child or up to £300.00 per week for two or more children.

We will only take off Child Care Costs paid from your wages or any Working Tax Credit.

What details do we need?

Before we use Child Care costs we need to see the following details:

- The name and address of the person/organisation providing the care for each child/children (including any registration number)
- Details confirming payments made for each child and the period each payment covered. We will accept receipts for payments made or a letter from the Care provider. Details should be provided by each Care provider if children are cared for by different persons/organisations.