

Information on:

Disability Benefits & Financial Help

Website: <https://www.gov.uk/financial-help-disabled>

The above government website gives information on a range of disability related benefits and financial help, including the following:

Disability Living Allowance (DLA)	A tax-free benefit for <u>children under 16</u> to help with the extra costs caused by long-term ill health or a disability.
Disability Living Allowance for adults – being replaced by PIP	Personal Independence Payment is gradually <u>replacing DLA</u> for people aged 16 to 64 with long-term ill health or a disability.
Personal Independence Payment	<u>Personal Independence Payment</u> (PIP) is a tax-free benefit for people aged 16 to 64 to help with the extra costs caused by long term ill-health or a disability.
Employment and Support Allowance	<u>Employment and Support Allowance</u> provides financial help to people who are unable to work because of illness or disability. It also provides personalised support to those who are able to work.
Direct Payments for care and services	If you get help from social services, <u>direct payments</u> let you choose and buy the services you need yourself, instead of getting them from your council
Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA's)	<u>Disabled Students' Allowances</u> (DSAs) provide extra financial help if you want to study a higher education course and have a disability, ongoing health condition, mental health condition or specific learning difficulty like dyslexia.
Carer's Allowance	<u>Carer's Allowance</u> is extra money to help you look after someone with substantial caring needs. You could also get <u>Carer's Credit</u> so there won't be any gaps in your National Insurance record if you have to take on caring responsibilities.



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Child Tax Credit	An allowance for parents and carers of children or young people who are still in full-time education. You may get extra if you care for a disabled child. See ' What you'll get ' for more information.
Disabled Facilities Grants	Grants to help pay for adapting your home by installing a ramp, lift or other improvements.
Blue Badge Parking Scheme	The Blue Badge scheme provides a range of parking benefits for disabled people with severe walking difficulties who travel either as drivers or as passengers.
Vehicle Tax Exemption	<p>You can apply for exemption from paying vehicle tax if you get the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • higher rate mobility component of Disability Living Allowance (DLA) • enhanced rate mobility component of Personal Independence Payment (PIP) <p>The vehicle must be registered in the disabled person's name or their nominated driver's name. It must only be used for the disabled person's personal needs. It can't be used by the nominated driver for their own personal use.</p>
Vehicle Tax reduction	You can get a 50% reduction in the cost of your tax disc if you get the PIP standard rate mobility component .



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