



Welfare Reform Act 2007

2007 CHAPTER 5

PART 1

EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT ALLOWANCE

Entitlement

[^{F16} Amount payable where claimant entitled to both forms of allowance

- (1) This section applies where a claimant is entitled to both a contributory allowance and an income-related allowance.
- (2) If the claimant has no income, the amount payable by way of an employment and support allowance shall be the greater of—
 - (a) his personal rate, and
 - (b) the applicable amount.
- (3) If the claimant has an income, the amount payable by way of an employment and support allowance shall be the greater of—
 - (a) his personal rate, and
 - (b) the amount by which the applicable amount exceeds his income.
- (4) Where the amount payable to the claimant by way of an employment and support allowance does not exceed his personal rate, the allowance shall be treated as attributable to the claimant's entitlement to a contributory allowance.
- (5) Where the amount payable to the claimant by way of an employment and support allowance exceeds his personal rate, the allowance shall be taken to consist of two elements, namely—
 - (a) an amount equal to his personal rate, and
 - (b) an amount equal to the excess.
- (6) The element mentioned in subsection (5)(a) shall be treated as attributable to the claimant's entitlement to a contributory allowance.

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(7) The element mentioned in subsection (5)(b) shall be treated as attributable to the claimant's entitlement to an income-related allowance.

(8) In this section—

“applicable amount” means the amount which, in the claimant's case, is the applicable amount for the purposes of section 4(1);

“personal rate” means the amount calculated in accordance with section 2(1).]

Textual Amendments

F1 Ss. 4-6 repealed (29.4.2013 for specified purposes, 1.7.2013 and 29.7.2013 for specified purposes, 28.10.2013 for specified purposes, 25.11.2013 for specified purposes, 24.2.2014 and 7.4.2014 for specified purposes, 23.6.2014 and further specified dates for specified purposes, 15.9.2014 and further specified dates for specified purposes, 26.11.2014 for specified purposes, 28.1.2015 for specified purposes, 16.2.2015 and further specified dates for specified purposes, 18.3.2015 and further specified dates for specified purposes, 21.9.2015 and further specified dates for specified purposes, 2.12.2015 for specified purposes, 27.1.2016 and 24.2.2016 for specified purposes, 23.3.2016 and 27.4.2016 for specified purposes, 1.2.2019 for specified purposes) by [Welfare Reform Act 2012 \(c. 5\)](#), s. 150(3), [Sch. 14 Pt. 1](#); [S.I. 2013/983](#), arts. 4(1)(c), 5, [Sch. 1](#) (with arts. 6, 9(1), 22, [Sch. 4](#)) (as amended: (1.7.2013) by [S.I. 2013/1511](#); (29.10.2013) by [S.I. 2013/2657](#); (16.6.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1452](#); (30.6.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1661](#); (28.7.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1923](#); (15.9.2014) by [S.I. 2014/2321](#); (17.11.2014) by [S.I. 2014/3067](#); (21.11.2014) by [S.I. 2014/3094](#); (19.1.2015) by [S.I. 2015/32](#) (as amended (10.2.2015) by [S.I. 2015/101](#)); (10.3.2015) by [S.I. 2015/634](#); (20.7.2015) by [S.I. 2015/1537](#); (23.11.2015) by [S.I. 2015/1930](#); (6.4.2017) by [S.I. 2017/483](#); (2.2.2018) by [S.I. 2018/138](#); (16.1.2019) by [S.I. 2019/10](#); and (31.1.2019) by [S.I. 2019/167](#)); [S.I. 2013/1511](#), art. 4, [Sch.](#) (as amended or modified: (29.10.2013) by [S.I. 2013/2657](#); (16.6.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1452](#); (30.6.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1661](#); (28.7.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1923](#); (17.11.2014) by [S.I. 2014/3067](#); (19.1.2015) by [S.I. 2015/32](#); (10.3.2015) by [S.I. 2015/634](#); (20.7.2015) by [S.I. 2015/1537](#); and (25.1.2017) by [S.I. 2017/57](#)); [S.I. 2013/2657](#), art. 4, [Sch.](#) (with art. 6) (as amended or modified: (16.6.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1452](#); (30.6.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1661](#); (28.7.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1923](#); (17.11.2014) by [S.I. 2014/3067](#); (19.1.2015) by [S.I. 2015/32](#); (10.3.2015) by [S.I. 2015/634](#); (20.7.2015) by [S.I. 2015/1537](#); (23.5.2016) [S.I. 2016/596](#); and (25.1.2017) by [S.I. 2017/57](#)); [S.I. 2013/2846](#), art. 4, [Sch.](#) (with art. 5) (as amended or modified: (16.6.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1452](#); (30.6.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1661](#); (28.7.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1923](#); (17.11.2014) by [S.I. 2014/3067](#); (19.1.2015) by [S.I. 2015/32](#); (10.3.2015) by [S.I. 2015/634](#); (20.7.2015) by [S.I. 2015/1537](#); and (23.5.2016) by [S.I. 2016/596](#)); [S.I. 2014/209](#), art. 4, [Sch.](#) (as amended or modified: (16.6.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1452](#); (30.6.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1661](#); (28.7.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1923](#); (17.11.2014) by [S.I. 2014/3067](#); (19.1.2015) by [S.I. 2015/32](#); (10.3.2015) by [S.I. 2015/634](#); (20.7.2015) by [S.I. 2015/1537](#); (23.5.2016) by [S.I. 2016/596](#); and (25.1.2017) by [S.I. 2017/57](#)); [S.I. 2014/1583](#), art. 4, [Sch.](#) (as amended or modified: (30.6.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1661](#); (28.7.2014) by [S.I. 2014/1923](#); (17.11.2014) by [S.I. 2014/3067](#); (19.1.2015) by [S.I. 2015/32](#); (10.3.2015) by [S.I. 2015/634](#); (20.7.2015) by [S.I. 2015/1537](#); and (19.5.2017) by [S.I. 2017/664](#)); [S.I. 2014/2321](#), art. 4 (as amended or modified: (17.11.2014) by [S.I. 2014/3067](#); (19.1.2015) by [S.I. 2015/32](#); (10.3.2015) by [S.I. 2015/634](#); (20.7.2015) by [S.I. 2015/1537](#); (23.5.2016) by [S.I. 2016/596](#); (29.9.2016) by [S.I. 2016/963](#); (24.4.2017) by [S.I. 2017/584](#); and (19.5.2017) by [S.I. 2017/664](#)); [S.I. 2014/3094](#), art. 4 (with art. 6); [S.I. 2015/33](#), art. 4 (with art. 6) (as amended: (11.2.2015) by [S.I. 2015/101](#); (10.3.2015) by [S.I. 2015/634](#); (6.4.2017) by [S.I. 2017/483](#); (11.4.2018) by [S.I. 2018/138](#); (16.1.2019) by [S.I. 2019/10](#); (15.1.2019) by [S.I. 2019/37](#)); and (31.1.2019) by [S.I. 2019/167](#)); [S.I. 2015/101](#), art. 4 (with art. 2(2)-(4)) (as amended or modified: (10.3.2015) by [S.I. 2015/534](#); (17.3.2015) by [S.I. 2015/740](#); (20.7.2015) by [S.I. 2015/1537](#); (14.1.2016) by [S.I. 2016/33](#); (21.3.2016) by [S.I. 2016/407](#); (23.5.2016) by [S.I. 2016/596](#); (29.9.2016) by [S.I. 2016/963](#); (25.1.2017) by [S.I. 2017/57](#); (24.4.2017) by [S.I. 2017/584](#); and (19.5.2017) by [S.I. 2017/664](#)); [S.I. 2015/634](#), art. 4

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Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Pt. 1 modified by 1995 c. 18, Sch. 1 para. 2(2) (as inserted (27.10.2008) by [Welfare Reform Act 2007](#) (c. 5), s. 70(2), [Sch. 3 para. 12\(6\)](#); [S.I. 2008/787](#), [art. 2\(4\)\(f\)](#))
- C2** [S. 6\(3\)-\(7\)](#) excluded by [S.I. 2014/1230](#), reg. 53(6) (as inserted (24.7.2019) by [The Universal Credit \(Managed Migration Pilot and Miscellaneous Amendments\) Regulations 2019](#) ([S.I. 2019/1152](#)), regs. 1(2), [3\(7\)](#))

Commencement Information

- I1** S. 6 in force at 27.10.2008 by [S.I. 2008/787](#), [art. 2\(4\)\(a\)](#)

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- s. 1(3)(za) inserted by [2012 c. 5 s. 62\(2\)](#)
- s. 1(3B) inserted by [2012 c. 5 s. 62\(3\)](#)
- s. 1C inserted by [2012 c. 5 s. 54\(3\)](#)
- s. 1C repealed by [2012 c. 5 Sch. 14 Pt. 5](#) (This amendment not applied to [legislation.gov.uk](#). The entry for this repeal in Sch. 14 Pt. 6 was repealed (8.5.2012) without ever being in force by 2012 c. 5, s. 150(3), Sch. 14 Pt. 2)
- s. 2(6) inserted by [2012 c. 5 Sch. 5 para. 6\(3\)](#)
- s. 13(6A) inserted by [2009 c. 24 s. 3\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 14(5) amendment to earlier affecting provision 2009 c. 24, s. 31(2) by [2012 c. 5 s. 54\(7\)](#)
- s. 14(5) inserted by [2009 c. 24 s. 31\(2\)](#)
- s. 16(1)(za) inserted by [2012 c. 5 s. 54\(5\)](#)
- s. 20(7A)(7B) inserted by [2023 c. 20 Sch. para. 55\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 6(1)(da) inserted by [2009 c. 24 s. 5\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 1 para. 6(2A) inserted by [2009 c. 24 s. 5\(2\)\(b\)](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 10A inserted by [2009 c. 24 s. 30\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 4B and cross-heading inserted by [2012 c. 5 s. 62\(4\)](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 10B and cross-heading inserted by [2012 c. 5 s. 57\(8\)](#)
- Sch. 2 para. 10ZA inserted by [2012 c. 5 s. 57\(7\)\(b\)](#)
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