

Winter Fuel Payment

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If you get in touch with us, tell us this reference number

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Date

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Claim form for Winter Fuel Payment for past winters 1998/1999, 1999/2000, 2000/2001 and 2001/2002

Claim form to use if you reside in the EEA but outside the UK

If you were 60 or over during a *qualifying week* and were normally resident in the UK (see Note 3 at **Part 6** at the end of this form), you may be able to get a Winter Fuel Payment. If you then moved to another EEA country (see Note 2 at **Part 6** at the end of this form), you may be able to continue receiving payments.

Your entitlement to a Winter Fuel Payment depends on what your circumstances were in the *qualifying week*. This qualifying week is defined in **Part 3**.

What to do now

Fill in this form and send it back to us in the envelope we have sent you. Do **NOT** complete this form if you were resident in the UK during the years that you are claiming for. Only complete this form for years when you were resident outside the UK.

If you need help filling in this form, someone else may help you do so, but you should sign it yourself if you are able to. If someone else signs the form for you, they should explain why they have done so, for example, they have been appointed to act on your behalf or they hold Power of Attorney. We may need to contact you for additional information.

Please turn over ►



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Part 1 – About you

Please use this part to tell us about yourself. It is important that you answer all the questions. If you do not, we may need to send the form back to you.

Surname

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms

All other names in full

Address

Postcode

Daytime phone number

Code

Phone number

Please tick the appropriate box

Home ☐ Work ☐ Mobile ☐ Fax ☐ Textphone ☐

Date of birth

/ /

☐

If we ticked this box it means we need to see your original birth certificate. This is because we do not have proof of your date of birth.

Please see **note 1** at the back of this form.

National Insurance (NI) number

Letters Numbers Letter

It must be completed in all cases.

You can find your National Insurance (NI) number on any pay slips, letters from social security or Inland Revenue, P60, P45 or National Insurance card. If you do not know this number see **note 4** at **Part 6** at the end of this form.

Do you have a partner?

No ☐

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

Yes ☐

Please tell us about them.

Their name

Their National Insurance number

Letters Numbers Letter

Their date of birth

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Part 2 – About the payment

If you want it to be paid into a bank or building society account, please tick what type of account it is and fill in the details. The account should be one of those listed below. **Please note that the first 4 options are for UK accounts.** See also **Part 4 Advice notes**.

Is this account

Please tick the appropriate box to show the account type selected.

- ☐ In your name
- ☐ In the name of your 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.
- ☐ In the name of the person acting on your behalf
- ☐ In both the names of yourself and your partner
- ☐ In both the names of yourself and the person acting on your behalf.

What name or names is the account in?

If the account includes the name of someone acting on your behalf, you are confirming that they will use the money in the way you tell them to.

If you want to be paid into an account, please tick what type of account it is and fill in the details below.

☐ Payment into a UK bank (cheque or deposit account)

Full name of bank

Branch name and address

Postcode

Sort code number

This is in the top right hand corner of most cheques.

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Name of account holder

Account number

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Type of account:
deposit, current.

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Part 2 – About the payment continued

☐ Payment into a UK building society account – NOT a mortgage account

Full name of building society

Address if building society

Postcode

Sort code number

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Building society's own
account number

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Your personal account, roll
or reference number

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☐ Payment into a UK Girobank account – NOT a deposit account

Account number

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☐ Payment into a UK National Savings Bank account – NOT an ordinary account

Account number

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☐ Payment into a bank in the EEA country where you wish to receive payment.

Full name of bank

Branch name and address

Postcode

Sort code number

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Please send us a cancelled
cheque to verify your sort
code.

Name of account holder

Account number

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Type of account:
deposit, current.

☐ Payment sent to your home address

We will send the payable order to the address you have given us in **Part 1**.
The payable order will be made out in sterling and must be cashed at a
bank. You must cash it within 6 months of the date shown on it.

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Part 3 – Information required to claim for winters 1998/1999, 1999/2000, 2000/2001 and 2001/2002

Have you received or applied for a Winter Fuel Payment in the United Kingdom (UK)?

Tick Yes if you applied but were turned down.

No ☐ Please fill in a UK Winter Fuel Payment claim form before continuing.

Yes ☐ Go to next question

Note – you have to have acquired entitlement to a Winter Fuel Payment in the UK in order to qualify for a Winter Fuel Payment within another EEA country. A separate claim form may therefore be needed.

Complete the enclosed form WFP1R

- only if you have not received or applied for a UK Winter Fuel Payment in the UK previously, and
- only for years you lived in the UK.

Please see first page of this form which explains how people can qualify for a Winter Fuel Payment in the UK.

When did you permanently leave the UK?

Note – if you left the UK permanently before 5 January 1998, you will not be eligible to claim a Winter Fuel Payment within the EEA as you could not have acquired entitlement to a Winter Fuel Payment in the UK. This scheme was introduced in 1998 and the first qualifying week was 5 January 1998 to 11 January 1998.

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Part 3 – Information required to claim for winters 1998/1999, 1999/2000, 2000/2001 and 2001/2002 continued

What countries have you lived in since permanently leaving the UK?

Please tell us the address you lived at in each of these countries.

If you need more space, please use a separate sheet of paper.

Name of the country

from

to

Address 1

Postcode

Address 2

Postcode

Name of the country

from

to

Address 1

Postcode

Address 2

Postcode

Note – if you were not ordinarily resident in an EEA country during the *qualifying weeks*, you will not be eligible to claim for a Winter Fuel Payment within the EEA. The payment is limited to those who reside in an EEA country. But if you lived in the UK you should claim using a UK Winter Fuel Payment claim form. Please see notes at the end of this form which list EEA countries.

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Part 3 – Information required to claim for winters 1998/1999, 1999/2000, 2000/2001 and 2001/2002 continued

What is your nationality now
and from what date does this
apply?

from / /

If your nationality has
changed, what was it before?

If you are not an EEA
national, please tick the box
that applies to you.

We may need to contact you
if we need additional
information.

**Remember that UK
nationals are also EEA
nationals.**

A stateless person

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A refugee

☐

A partner of an EEA
national

☐

What is your marital status?

married

☐

married but separated

☐

widow or widower

☐

Other

☐

Please give details

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Part 3 – Information required to claim for winters 1998/1999, 1999/2000, 2000/2001 and 2001/2002 continued

Please answer all the questions
for each year you wish to claim.

In the qualifying weeks of	Winter 1998/99 9–15 Nov 1998		Winter 1999/00 20–26 Sep 1999		Winter 2000/01 18–24 Sep 2000		Winter 2001/02 17–23 Sep 2001	
	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Did you receive or apply for a Winter Fuel Payment in the UK?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you permanently reside in an EEA country? Excluding the UK.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you claim a Winter Fuel Payment in respect of winter 2000/01 before 31 March 2001?					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Did you claim a Winter Fuel Payment in respect of winter 2001/02 before 31 March 2002?							<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Were you in custody serving a sentence?					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Has anyone else aged 60 or over, who was in your household, claimed or are intending to claim a Winter Fuel Payment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

For more information, see notes at the back of this form.

Part 4 – Advice notes

Please read the following notes carefully. **You will be signing a declaration stating that you have read and understood these notes and conditions.**

How you can be paid

You can have your Winter Fuel Payment paid straight into an account at a UK bank, building society or post office including Girobank and National Savings bank. You can alternatively choose payment into a bank account in another EEA country.

We recommend payment straight into an account because

- it is safe
- it saves trouble, you could continue to have regular bills paid direct
- it is convenient, money can be paid into almost any account, at almost any location
- it could be paid into an account where it will earn interest
- it is also less expensive for us to arrange

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Part 4 – Advice notes continued

When will payments be made?

You will be paid annually

If the wrong amount is paid

Please check the amount on your account statement or with your bank or building society. If you think you have been paid the wrong amount please let us know. Our address and phone number are on the front page of this form.

If the wrong amount is paid into your account, whatever the reason, this is what happens:

- If not enough money is paid into your account we will make a special payment. We will tell you what we are going to do.
- If too much money is paid into your account because of the way the credit transfer system works, you will have to pay the extra money back. For example, if you give us some information which means you are entitled to less money, but we do not have time to change the amount paid into your account, you will have to pay back any money you are not entitled to.

Changes in circumstances

We will continue to pay you provided that you satisfy the conditions for entitlement and that you report any changes in your circumstances which might affect your benefit. Tell us straight away about any changes to

- your address
- the customer's address (if you are an appointee)
- the account we are paying your Winter Fuel Payment into.

Part 5 – Declaration

I declare that the information I have given on this form is correct and complete.

I will report any changes to the information I have given.

I understand that if I give information that is incorrect or incomplete, action may be taken against me.

I declare that, if I have said I want my Winter Fuel Payment paid into account I have read and understood the notes about being paid in this way.

This is my claim for a Winter Fuel Payment.

Your signature

Date

If you have signed on behalf of the person named in **Part 1**, please tell us why.

Please turn over ►

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Part 6 – Notes

These notes are to help you to complete the Winter Fuel Payment claim form.

1 We ticked the box because we do not have proof of your date of birth. Please send your original or replacement birth certificate to us. **We cannot accept photocopies.** Please allow 28 days for us to return your birth certificate.

2 **The European Economic Area (EEA)** is made up of all **European Union (EU)** countries:

Austria

Belgium

Denmark

Finland

France

Germany

Greece

Italy

Luxembourg

Netherlands

Portugal

Republic of Ireland

Spain

Sweden

United Kingdom (UK) – If you are a UK resident, do not apply on this claim form.

plus

Iceland

Liechtenstein

Norway.

While Switzerland is not a member of the EEA, as a result of an agreement with the EU which came into force on 1 June 2002, it applies the European Community rules on social security.

Gibraltar is part of the UK for EU purposes. People may be able to continue to receive WFP in Gibraltar provided they were previously entitled to it in the UK.

3 **United Kingdom** means England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

4 If you do not know your National Insurance number please tell us and we will send you a form to complete.

For office use only

Birth certificate
returned by

on

Date of birth
verified as

Initials

date