

Can you get help to pay your council tax bill or your rent?

The Council Tax Support Checker and Housing Benefit Checker show roughly the weekly income limits to qualify for help, just find the column that fits your household and go down to the weekly amount you are charged. For example if you are a single parent with 1 child under 16, and your weekly council tax is £23.60 - you may get help if your income is below £272.00. We do not count Child Maintenance, Attendance Allowance, Disability Living Allowance, Personal Independence Payment or War Disablement Pension.

If you get Income Support, income-based Jobseekers Allowance, income-related Employment and Support Allowance or Pension Credit (Guarantee Credit) you do not need to

use the tables as you will receive maximum benefit.

You will not qualify for benefit if you have savings or capital over £16,000.



Council Tax Support Checker 2018-2019

Single Person	Working Age					Pension Age	
	Under 25	25 or over	25 or over with disability	With 1 child under 16	With 2 children under 16	Under 65	65 or over
Weekly Council Tax							
£17.70	£128	£143	£177	£248	£329	£251	£264
£20.65	£140	£155	£189	£260	£341	£266	£279
£23.60	£152	£167	£201	£272	£353	£280	£294
£26.55	£164	£179	£212	£284	£364	£295	£309
£32.45	£187	£202	£236	£307	£388	£325	£338

Couples	Working Age				Pension Age	
	18 or over	18 or over with disability	With 1 child under 16	With 2 children under 16	Under 65	65 or over
Weekly Council Tax						
£23.60	£209	£257	£314	£394	£366	£381
£27.53	£224	£272	£330	£410	£386	£401
£31.46	£240	£288	£345	£426	£406	£421
£35.40	£256	£304	£361	£442	£425	£440
£43.26	£287	£335	£392	£473	£465	£480

The checkers do not cover all households. If you are severely disabled or you are a carer you may get extra help. See over page for contact details.

Housing Benefit Checker 2018-2019

Single Person Weekly Rent	Working Age					Pension Age	
	Under 25	25 or over	25 or over with disability	With 1 child under 16	With 2 children under 16	Under 65	65 or over
£55.00	£142	£157	£191	£245	£325	£247	£261
£65.00	£157	£173	£206	£260	£341	£263	£276
£75.00	£173	£188	£222	£276	£356	£278	£291
£85.00	£188	£203	£237	£291	£372	£293	£307
£95.00	£204	£219	£252	£306	£387	£309	£322
£105.00	£219	£234	£268	£322	£402	£324	£337
£115.00	£234	£250	£283	£337	£418	£339	£353
£125.00	£250	£265	£298	£353	£433	£355	£368

Couples Weekly Rent	Working Age				Pension Age	
	18 or over	18 or over with disability	With 1 child under 16	With 2 children under 16	Under 65	65 or over
£55.00	£199	£247	£287	£367	£333	£348
£65.00	£214	£262	£302	£383	£348	£363
£75.00	£230	£278	£317	£398	£364	£379
£85.00	£245	£293	£333	£413	£379	£394
£95.00	£261	£308	£348	£429	£394	£409
£105.00	£276	£324	£363	£444	£410	£425
£115.00	£291	£339	£379	£459	£425	£440
£125.00	£307	£354	£394	£475	£441	£456

You may not be able to claim Housing Benefit if you have claimed Universal Credit. Universal Credit will cover help with your housing costs unless you are in Supported Accommodation.

If you rent your home from a private landlord we may not work out your benefit on the full rent charged but on the relevant Local Housing Allowance Rate. The current rates can be found at www.stockton.gov.uk/housingbenefit

If you rent your home from a social landlord we may not work out your benefit on the full rent charged if you have more bedrooms than you need.

For a more accurate picture you can use the benefits calculators at www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators or call the Benefits Service at Stockton Council

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