



# Social Security (Additional Payments) Act 2022

## 2022 CHAPTER 38

### *Means-tested additional payments*

#### **1 Means-tested additional payments: main payments**

- (1) The Secretary of State must secure that—
  - (a) a single payment of £326 is made to any person who has a qualifying entitlement to a social security benefit in respect of 25 May 2022 (the first “qualifying day”), and
  - (b) a single payment of £324 is made to any person who has a qualifying entitlement to a social security benefit in respect of the second qualifying day.
- (2) HMRC must secure that—
  - (a) a single payment of £326 is made to any person who has a qualifying entitlement to child tax credit or working tax credit, but not to a social security benefit, in respect of 25 May 2022, and
  - (b) a single payment of £324 is made to any person who has a qualifying entitlement to child tax credit or working tax credit, but not to a social security benefit, in respect of the second qualifying day.
- (3) The social security benefits are—
  - (a) universal credit under the Welfare Reform Act 2012 or the Welfare Reform (Northern Ireland) Order 2015 ([S.I. 2015/2006 \(N.I. 1\)](#));
  - (b) state pension credit under the State Pension Credit Act 2002 or the State Pension Credit Act (Northern Ireland) 2002;
  - (c) an income-based jobseeker’s allowance under the Jobseekers Act 1995 or the Jobseekers (Northern Ireland) Order 1995 ([S.I. 1995/2705 \(N.I. 15\)](#));
  - (d) an income-related employment and support allowance under Part 1 of the Welfare Reform Act 2007 or Part 1 of the Welfare Reform Act (Northern Ireland) 2007;

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- (e) income support under section 124 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992 or section 123 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits (Northern Ireland) Act 1992.
- (4) The second qualifying day is such day, not later than 31 October 2022, as may be specified by the Secretary of State in regulations.
- (5) Regulations under subsection (4) may specify a day before the regulations come into force.
- (6) In this section, and in sections 2 to 4, references to a “person” are to an individual or to a couple (but not to each member of a couple separately).

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**Commencement Information**

**II** S. 1 in force at Royal Assent, see [s. 11\(2\)](#)

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