
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2013 No. 376

The Universal Credit Regulations 2013

PART 7

THE BENEFIT CAP

Reduction of universal credit

81.—(1) Where the benefit cap applies in relation to an assessment period for an award of universal credit, the amount of the award for that period is to be reduced by—

- (a) the excess; minus
- (b) any amount included in the award for the childcare costs element in relation to that assessment period.

(2) But no reduction is to be applied where the amount of the childcare costs element is greater than the excess.

(3) The excess is the total amount of welfare benefits that the single person or the couple are entitled to in the reference period, minus the relevant amount [^{F1}determined under regulation 80A].

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in [reg. 81\(3\)](#) substituted (with effect in accordance with [reg. 1\(2\)](#) of the amending S.I.) by [The Benefit Cap \(Housing Benefit and Universal Credit\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2016 \(S.I. 2016/909\)](#), [regs. 1\(1\), 3\(5\)](#)

Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Universal Credit Regulations 2013, Section 81.