

CTF Bulletin 48

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This Bulletin tells you about

• CTF Amendment Regulations

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CTF Bulletin 47 included a link to draft regulations that would begin the process of reducing and ending CTF payments in line with the Government announcement on 24 May 2010. The regulations have been debated in both Houses of Parliament and the <u>finalised regulations</u> (which were passed unchanged) are now available.

What do the regulations do?

The two key operative dates for the changes to the starting and additional payments are 2 August 2010 and 1 November 2010.

Starting payments	 Children born on or after 2 August 2010 will receive £50. Children born before 2 August 2010 will still be entitled to £250 provided: a Child Benefit claim is made by 1 November 2010, the child was in the UK before 2 August 2010, and if the child was subject to immigration control up to 2 August 2010, those controls were lifted by 1 November 2010
	Child Benefit (CB) is awarded from the Monday following birth provided a claim is made within the following three months. To ensure that all children born in July 2010 receive the current level of government payment (£250), the cut off date is linked to CB awards made on Monday 2 August 2010. This means that children born on 1 August 2010 also benefit from the current level of payment.
Additional starting payment	 These payments will follow the rules for starting payments above. Children will receive £50 instead of the current £250 if they are born on or after 2 August 2010. Children born before 2 August 2010 will still be entitled to £250 provided: a Child Benefit claim is made by 1 November 2010, the child was in the UK before 2 August 2010, and if the child was subject to immigration control up to 2 August 2010, those controls were lifted by 1 November 2010
Starting payment: Looked after	To mirror the treatment available to children in CB claims, similar rules apply to children who go into local authority care and are

Children	 therefore not in a CB claim. Children will receive £100 instead of the current £500 if they are born on or after 2 August 2010. Children born before 2 August 2010 will still be entitled to £500 provided: they enter local authority care on or before 1 November 2010, they were in the UK before 2 August 2010, and if they were subject to immigration control up to 2 August 2010, those controls were lifted by 1 November 2010
Age 7 payments	Children whose 7 th birthday is on or after 1 August 2010 will not be entitled to an Age 7 payment.
Disability payments	Children entitled to Disability Living Allowance will not be entitled to CTF disability payments for the tax year 2011-12 or later years.