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Child Benefit number

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## Extending payment of Child Benefit

### How do I qualify for the extension?

We can extend Child Benefit for up to 20 weeks for young people who have left full-time, non-advanced education or approved training if:

- they are 16 or 17 and have registered with any of the following:
  - England - the local careers service or Connexions
  - Scotland or Wales - the local careers service
  - Northern Ireland - the careers service of the Department for Employment and Learning or an Education and Library Board
  - Any corresponding body - in another EU member state
  - The Ministry of Defence - if your child has applied for and is waiting to join the armed forces

Please note that registration for training with the training provider does not qualify a young person for the extension of Child Benefit.

#### And

- they are not doing paid work for 24 hours or more a week
- they are not receiving Income Support, income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Incapacity Benefit, Employment & Support Allowance or tax credits in their own right
- the extension period for that young person has not expired
- immediately before the extension period begins you are entitled to Child Benefit for the young person **and**
- you have made a **request** for the extension **within three months** of the end of education or training.

### How long will the extension period last?

We can pay Child Benefit from the Monday following the end of a young person's full-time, non-advanced education or approved training until they:

- start paid work for 24 hours or more a week, or
- are awarded Income Support, income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, Incapacity Benefit, Employment & Support Allowance or tax credits in their own right, or
- stop being registered with any of the organisations mentioned in the first paragraph of this form.

You must tell us straight away if any of these changes happen.

The extension to Child Benefit will stop:

- at the end of the extended benefit period (20 weeks from the date the young person leaves full-time non advanced education or approved training), or
- when the young person reaches age 18 during the extended benefit period.

## Applying for extended Child Benefit

To decide whether you can claim extended Child Benefit, we need the information requested over the page.

You can either:

- apply online via our website at <http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/childbenefit/index.htm>
- ring us on the Helpline number above and tell us the information
- or complete the form and send it to us.

Your answers will help us decide the correct date when we should stop paying your Child Benefit for

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