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# INDUSTRIAL INJURY DISABLEMENT BENEFIT



# Industrial Injury Disablement Benefit

The Industrial Injuries Scheme provides benefits for those who are ill or disabled as a result of an accident or disease caused by work.

**Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit (IIDB) is the main benefit under the Industrial Injuries Scheme. It is not necessary for you to prove fault on the part of the employer to claim this benefit.**

The amount you may receive depends on your individual circumstances. It is important to note that this may affect other means tested benefits that you or your partner receive.

## Applying Online

You may be able to claim IIDB if:

- You were employed, or were on an approved training scheme or course when the accident or event happened. You cannot claim this benefit if you are self-employed.
- You have suffered an injury or prescribed industrial disease.
- The industrial accident or prescribed industrial disease occurred during the course of your employment or training scheme. The full list of injuries or illnesses covered by this benefit can be given by your nearest Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit Centre.
- The accident or event which caused your illness or disability happened in England, Scotland or Wales (there are some exceptions that you can ask your local Jobcentre Plus about).

If you fulfil the above criteria, then you will be assessed by a healthcare professional who will assess the level of your disablement in percentage terms. The healthcare professional will not take into account unrelated or pre-existing conditions.

## Amount

The amount you receive will depend on the extent of your disability and your age. You must usually be assessed as having at least 14% disablement to qualify for this benefit. Disablement of 14-19% will be rounded up to 20% for payment purposes.

Assessed level of disablement = estimated weekly amount for 2022/2023.

100%	=	188.60
90%	=	169.74
80%	=	150.88
70%	=	132.02
60%	=	113.16
50%	=	94.30
40%	=	75.44
30%	=	56.58
20%	=	37.72

## Other benefits under the IIDB

Constant Attendance Allowance can be paid if you require constant care and attention as a result of the



industrial injury or prescribed industrial disease. This benefit is automatically considered if your assessed percentage level of disablement is 100%.

Constant Attendance Allowance is paid at four rates:

- Exceptional rate
- Intermediate rate
- Normal maximum rate
- Part-time rate

The rate you receive depends on the extent of your disability and the amount of care you need.

### **Exceptionally Severe Disablement Allowance**

Exceptionally Severe Disablement Allowance is paid with Constant Attendance Allowance. You only get this if you are getting Constant Attendance Allowance at one of the two higher rates (intermediate or exceptional). You do not have to make a separate claim. Your entitlement will be considered at the same time as your Constant Attendance Allowance.

### **Reporting a change in circumstances**

You, or the person who claims on your behalf, must tell the office that deals with your payments about any changes to your circumstances. This

includes:

- the condition for which you're getting benefit improves or gets worse
- you change your name or gender
- you get married or form a civil partnership
- you change your address
- you leave the country
- you go into prison
- your immigration status changes, if you're not a British citizen

## **How to claim**

You'll need to fill in and post a claim form. The claim form can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/industrial-injuries-disablement-benefit/how-to-claim>

Or by contacting the Barnsley Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit Centre Telephone on 0345 758 5433.

Further guidance can be found from the Citizens Advice Bureau [www.citizensadvice.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk)

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