

Introduction

Stewarts Law have prepared a number of briefing notes on the key welfare benefits available following personal injury. The table below sets out the key characteristics of these welfare benefits. For further details, please see the individual briefing notes.

Name of Benefit	Means tested?	National Insurance contributions?	Age restrictions?	Amount per week
Income Support	Yes	No	Yes: 16 to pension age	Dependent upon an Applicant's individual circumstances
Incapacity Benefit	No	Yes	Yes: 16 to 60/65	From £71.10 to £94.25
Employment & Support Allowance	Yes (income related allowance only)	Yes (contribution allowance only)	Yes: 16 to pension age	Contributory allowance: from £56.25 to £105.05 Income related allowance: Dependent on an Applicant's individual circumstances
Disability Living Allowance	No	No	Yes: Upper age limit of 65. Lower age limit for mobility component only.	Care component: from £20.55 to £77.45. Mobility component: from £20.55 to £54.05.
Attendance Allowance	No	No	Yes: from 65	£51.85 to £77.45
Carer's Allowance	No	No	Yes: from 16	£58.45
Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit	No	No but must not be self employed	No	Dependent upon an Applicant's assessed level of disablement: From £19.38 to £158.10

Local Housing Allowance	Yes	No	No	Dependent upon an Applicant's individual circumstances
Statutory Sick Pay	No	No but must not be self employed	No	£85.85
Jobseeker's Allowance	Yes - income based JSA only	Yes - contribution based JSA only	Yes - under the pension age	Contribution based JSA: from £56.25 to £71.00 Income based JSA - Dependent upon an Applicant's individual circumstances

About Stewarts Law

Stewarts Law is the leading personal injury law firm in the United Kingdom with expertise in claims for compensation following spinal injury, brain injury and other serious injuries. Stewarts Law is ranked number one by the two key independent guides to the legal profession, the Legal 500 and Chambers and Partners.

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