



About this form

This form is designed to be filled in on screen. You must answer all the questions except those marked 'optional'. You can't save the form but once you've completed it you'll be able to print a copy and post it.

When to use form CF411A

Use the form CF411A to apply for National Insurance credits if you are a parent caring for a child under 12 for periods from 6 April 2010.

You may be entitled to these credits if:

- you're an approved foster parent or foster/kinship carer (Scotland)
- you're the spouse, partner or civil partner of the current person registered for Child Benefit for the child being cared for, and you want to transfer entitlement to the credits to yourself
- you're (or were) registered for Child Benefit for the child being cared for in the past, but the automatic credits are missing from your National Insurance account

Other circumstances

You do not need to use the application form if one of the following applies:

- you're looking after one or more people for at least 20 hours a week, and the person or persons you're looking after has Disability Living Allowance, Attendance Allowance or Constant Attendance Allowance, you can apply for a carers credit instead, for more information follow the link below:
- you get Income Support when you are looking after one or more people and you do not have to be available for work. You will already be automatically getting credits. If you think the credits are missing from your National Insurance account follow the link below:
- you get Carer's Allowance – you will already be automatically getting credits, for more information follow the link below:
- you're registered for Child Benefit for a child under the age of 12 – you'll already be automatically getting credits
- you're a parent caring for a child under 16 for periods before 6 April 2010, follow the link below:
- you're a family member who cares for a child under 12 where you are related to the child, you can apply for Specified Adult Childcare credits instead, for more information follow the link below:

If you're a parent you may also want to look at 'Transferring entitlement to credits for parents and carers' on the next page.

More information

These credits help to protect your entitlement to the new State Pension (introduced on 6 April 2016). National Insurance credits will not give entitlement to the Bereavement Support Payment.

Transferring entitlement to credits for parents and carers

Time limits for application

Your application should be made before the end of the tax year (5 April) following the relevant period for which you want to transfer the credits. For example, if the transfer period is in the 2016 to 2017 tax year you should apply for a transfer before 5 April 2018. If the time limit has passed still complete the application form giving the reason why you did not apply on time. If the circumstances are reasonable HMRC can still award the credits as long as you meet the transfer conditions. These are:

- you reach State Pension age after the relevant period
- the person registered for Child Benefit cannot get credits because their earnings were equal to or above the qualifying earnings factor for that year
- you were living with the person who was registered for Child Benefit for the relevant period and you were sharing the care for a child under the age of 12
- you would have been able to register for Child Benefit if your spouse, partner or civil partner had not registered for it

Contact details

If you need more information or advice about foster parent or foster/kinship carers (Scotland) or missing credits follow the link below or contact:

PT Operations North East England

HM Revenue and Customs

BX9 1AN

Telephone: 0300 200 3500

Textphone: 0300 200 3519

For our opening hours go to www.gov.uk/contact-hmrc

For more information about basic State Pension or Additional State Pension through State Second Pension follow the link below:

Your Details

Surname

First names

Title

Date of birth

Address

Is this address in the UK?

Yes

No

Line 1

Line 2

Line 3 (optional)

Postcode

Daytime telephone number

National Insurance number

Are you applying for credits for parents and carers from 6 April 2010?

Yes

No

For what period are you applying for credits for parents and carers?

From

To

Have you worked for an employer during this period?

Yes

No

Have you lived abroad at any time during this period?

Yes

No

Please give us the dates that you left and returned to this country and the reason for your trip abroad.

Have you worked for an employer while you were abroad?

Yes

No

Please give the name of the employer you worked for.

Child Benefit

Were you registered for Child Benefit for at least one child under the age of 12 during the period you are applying for credits?

Yes

No

Transfer of credits for parents and carers

Your application should be made before the end of the Tax year (5 April) following the period for which you want to transfer the credits. For example, if the transfer period is in the 2016/17 tax year you should apply for transfer of those credits to your National Insurance account before 5 April 2018. If the time limit has passed you should still make the application and complete the part of the form giving the reason why you didn't apply on time. If the circumstances are reasonable HMRC can still award the credits as long as you meet the **other** transfer conditions.

Do you want to transfer credits for parents and carers from the person registered for Child Benefit National Insurance account to your own National Insurance account?

Yes

No

Approved foster carer or foster / kinship carer (Scotland)

Are you applying for credits for parents and carers as a foster parent or foster / kinship carer (Scotland)?

Yes

No

Declaration

I confirm that the information I have given is correct

When you have printed the form, please sign and date it in the appropriate boxes.

Signature

Date

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What to do now

Please send the completed form with your letter of confirmation, where appropriate, to:

PT Operations North East England
HM Revenue and Customs
BX9 1AN