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Maternity Allowance

Test Period table from 2011 to 2013

- Help to work out your test period



Your claim to Maternity Allowance (MA) will be decided on the work you have done in your *Test Period*. This is the 66 weeks up to, and including, the Saturday before the week you expect to have your baby.

There is an example of how to work out your Test Period on **page 3**.

Find the week in **column 1** of the table that includes the date you expect to have your baby. Read across the line to work out your Test Period and the 15th week before the week your baby is due. See the example below.

If the week you expect to have your baby is not shown in **column 1** of the table, get in touch with Incapacity Benefits Branch. Ask them for a new Maternity Allowance Test Period table.

The 15th week before the week your baby is due is used to decide if you should be getting Statutory Maternity Pay (SMP). This week starts on the date shown in **column 4** of the table.

You might get SMP if you were employed in this week and satisfy the conditions for payment.

Example

See the shaded line on **page 4**.

Date you expect to have
your baby **08 May 2012**

The week that includes
the date you expect to
have your baby
(**column 1**) **06 May 2012 -
12 May 2012**

Your Test Period is
(**columns 2 and 3**) **30 January 2011 -
05 May 2012**

The 15th week before
the week your baby is due
starts on
(**column 4**) **22 January 2012**

2011

1	2	3	4
The week that includes the date you expect to have your baby	The first day of your Test Period	The last day of your Test Period	The 15th week before the week your baby is due starts on
June 2011			
05/06 – 11/06	28 Feb 2010	04 Jun 2011	20 Feb 2011
12/06 – 18/06	07 Mar 2010	11 Jun 2011	27 Feb 2011
19/06 – 25/06	14 Mar 2010	18 Jun 2011	06 Mar 2011
26/06 – 02/07	21 Mar 2010	25 Jun 2011	13 Mar 2011
July			
03/07 – 09/07	28 Mar 2010	02 Jul 2011	20 Mar 2011
10/07 – 16/07	04 Apr 2010	09 Jul 2011	27 Mar 2011
17/07 – 23/07	11 Apr 2010	16 Jul 2011	03 Apr 2011
24/07 – 30/07	18 Apr 2010	23 Jul 2011	10 Apr 2011
31/07 – 06/08	25 Apr 2010	30 Jul 2011	17 Apr 2011
August			
07/08 – 13/08	02 May 2010	06 Aug 2011	24 Apr 2011
14/08 – 20/08	09 May 2010	13 Aug 2011	01 May 2011
21/08 – 27/08	16 May 2010	20 Aug 2011	08 May 2011
28/08 – 03/09	23 May 2010	27 Aug 2011	15 May 2011
September			
04/09 – 10/09	30 May 2010	03 Sep 2011	22 May 2011
11/09 – 17/09	06 Jun 2010	10 Sep 2011	29 May 2011
18/09 – 24/09	13 Jun 2010	17 Sep 2011	05 Jun 2011
25/09 – 01/10	20 Jun 2010	24 Sep 2011	12 Jun 2011
October			
02/10 – 08/10	27 Jun 2010	01 Oct 2011	19 Jun 2011
09/10 – 15/10	04 Jul 2010	08 Oct 2011	26 Jun 2011
16/10 – 22/10	11 Jul 2010	15 Oct 2011	03 Jul 2011
23/10 – 29/10	18 Jul 2010	22 Oct 2011	10 Jul 2011
30/10 – 05/11	25 Jul 2010	29 Oct 2011	17 Jul 2011
November			
06/11 – 12/11	01 Aug 2010	05 Nov 2011	24 Jul 2011
13/11 – 19/11	08 Aug 2010	12 Nov 2011	31 Jul 2011
20/11 – 26/11	15 Aug 2010	19 Nov 2011	07 Aug 2011
27/11 – 03/12	22 Aug 2010	26 Nov 2011	14 Aug 2011

2011/2012

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December 2011			
04/12 – 10/12	29 Aug 2010	03 Dec 2011	21 Aug 2011
11/12 – 17/12	05 Sep 2010	10 Dec 2011	28 Aug 2011
18/12 – 24/12	12 Sep 2010	17 Dec 2011	04 Sep 2011
25/12 – 31/12	19 Sep 2010	24 Dec 2011	11 Sep 2011
January 2012			
01/01 – 07/01	26 Sep 2010	31 Dec 2011	18 Sep 2011
08/01 – 14/01	03 Oct 2010	07 Jan 2012	25 Sep 2011
15/01 – 21/01	10 Oct 2010	14 Jan 2012	02 Oct 2011
22/01 – 28/01	17 Oct 2010	21 Jan 2012	09 Oct 2011
29/01 – 04/02	24 Oct 2010	28 Jan 2012	16 Oct 2011
February			
05/02 – 11/02	31 Oct 2010	04 Feb 2012	23 Oct 2011
12/02 – 18/02	07 Nov 2010	11 Feb 2012	30 Oct 2011
19/02 – 25/02	14 Nov 2010	18 Feb 2012	06 Nov 2011
26/02 – 03/03	21 Nov 2010	25 Feb 2012	13 Nov 2011
March			
04/03 – 10/03	28 Nov 2010	03 Mar 2012	20 Nov 2011
11/03 – 17/03	05 Dec 2010	10 Mar 2012	27 Nov 2011
18/03 – 24/03	12 Dec 2010	17 Mar 2012	04 Dec 2011
25/03 – 31/03	19 Dec 2010	24 Mar 2012	11 Dec 2011
April			
01/04 – 07/04	26 Dec 2010	31 Mar 2012	18 Dec 2011
08/04 – 14/04	02 Jan 2011	07 Apr 2012	25 Dec 2011
15/04 – 21/04	09 Jan 2011	14 Apr 2012	01 Jan 2012
22/04 – 28/04	16 Jan 2011	21 Apr 2012	08 Jan 2012
29/04 – 05/05	23 Jan 2011	28 Apr 2012	15 Jan 2012
May			
06/05 – 12/05	30 Jan 2011	05 May 2012	22 Jan 2012
13/05 – 19/05	06 Feb 2011	12 May 2012	29 Jan 2012
20/05 – 26/05	13 Feb 2011	19 May 2012	05 Feb 2012
27/05 – 02/06	20 Feb 2011	26 May 2012	12 Feb 2012

2012

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June 2012			
03/06 – 09/06	27 Feb 2011	02 Jun 2012	19 Feb 2012
10/06 – 16/06	06 Mar 2011	09 Jun 2012	26 Feb 2012
17/06 – 23/06	13 Mar 2011	16 Jun 2012	04 Mar 2012
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