



Claim DLA mobility increase now!

Changes to Disability Living Allowance (DLA) higher rate mobility component from 11 April 2011 mean that some blind people will be entitled to an extra £30 per week.

To be considered for the higher rate, you must be under 65 and registered or certified as severely sight impaired (blind), although not everyone who is registered blind will qualify.

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What do you need to do now?

If you already receive the lower rate mobility component of DLA, you don't need to do anything now.

The Pensions, Disability and Carers Service will be calling everyone who currently claims on the basis of sight loss to find out if they are entitled to an increase. Calls will take place from late November 2010 until March 2011.

You can prepare for this call by finding your certificate of visual impairment (CVI or BD8, or BP1 in Scotland), or a consultant's report noting your visual acuity and visual field, and having it ready to hand. This will help speed up your claim. Ask your hospital ophthalmologist for a copy if you do not have one, or call us for advice to help you obtain it.

Call our Helpline

Find out if you are missing out on money that you are entitled to receive by calling us on **0303 123 9999**, or visit **rnib.org.uk/dla**. Our specialist advice workers will tell you whether you can claim DLA, or any other benefits or concessions.

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