

MAYOR OF LONDON



Dear resident,

Important deadline approaching to secure your free TV licence

From 1 August the free TV licence for people over 75 will only be available for those who claim Pension Credit.

If you – or someone you know – could do with more money, as well as continuing to get the free TV licence, now is a good time to claim.

You may be eligible, even if you own your home or have savings.

People who receive Pension Credit can also get free dental treatment and possibly help with Council Tax, housing costs and heating bills.

Pension Credit is a benefit for people over state pension age. It is extra money that could top up your retirement income and help with the cost of living, but more than a hundred thousand families in London entitled to receive it could be missing out.

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If you have any COVID-19 symptoms (a high temperature, a new, continuous cough, or a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste) please stay at home and self-isolate. You should book a home test immediately by calling NHS Test and Trace on 119 or visiting www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test

You can **apply by phoning** the Government's claim line on 0800 99 1234 (Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 6pm) **or online** <https://apply-for-pension-credit.dwp.gov.uk/start>. They will need to know some details about you to check whether you are eligible. Information you may need to hand includes:

- Your National Insurance number
- Information about your income, savings and investment
- Your bank account details.


Applications can also be made

- **by post:** call the number above and ask them to send you an application form or you can download a copy from the website www.gov.uk/pension-credit
- **by Textphone:** 0800 169 0133
- **using Relay UK (if you cannot hear or speak on the phone):** 18001 then 0800 99 1234 Monday to Friday, 9.30am to 6pm.

If you would like more information about Pension Credit or have any questions about this letter, please call the Age UK Advice Line on 0800 169 6565.

The Advice Line is open from 8am to 7pm every day of the year. Advisors can also connect you with your local Age UK and confirm that this letter is genuine. Other organisations that may be able to give you more information include Citizens Advice.

Yours sincerely,



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