





Are YOU or ANYONE you know losing the WINTER FUEL PAYMENT?

The Government has decided that the Winter Fuel Payment will only be paid to State Pensioners in receipt of Pension Credit or other means-tested benefits.



😂 Pension Credit and Winter Fuel Payment 😂



Pension Credit is not paid automatically, you need to apply for it.

The qualifying week for this year's Winter Fuel Payment has now passed, however you may still be eligible for the payment if you successfully apply for Pension Credit by 21st December 2024. That's because claims for Pension Credit can be backdated by up to three months (provided you would have been entitled to the benefit at the earlier date).

You can claim Pension Credit if you live in the UK, have reached State Pension age and if you are on a low income.

## **Check Eligibility:**

If you have reached
State Pension age and
your weekly income is
below £218.15 or £332.95
if you live with a partner, you
could be eligible for Pension
Credit even if you own your own
home or have savings.

You can check eligibility using the government calculator and will need your National Insurance Number, information about any income, savings and investments you have and your bank details.

Check eligibility at:https://www.gov.uk/pension-credit or call 0800 991 234



If you believe you will lose your Winter Fuel Payment because you are not in receipt of Pension Credit, then get advice/help from: -

## **Citizens Advice**

0808 812 7156 https://citizensadvicecornwall.org.uk

## Age UK

01872 266 383 https://www.ageuk.org.uk

## **HM Government**

0800 991 234 https://www.gov.uk/pension-credit