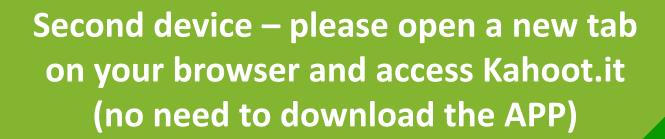
Managed Migration June 2023



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This session will look at

Quiz – overview of basics

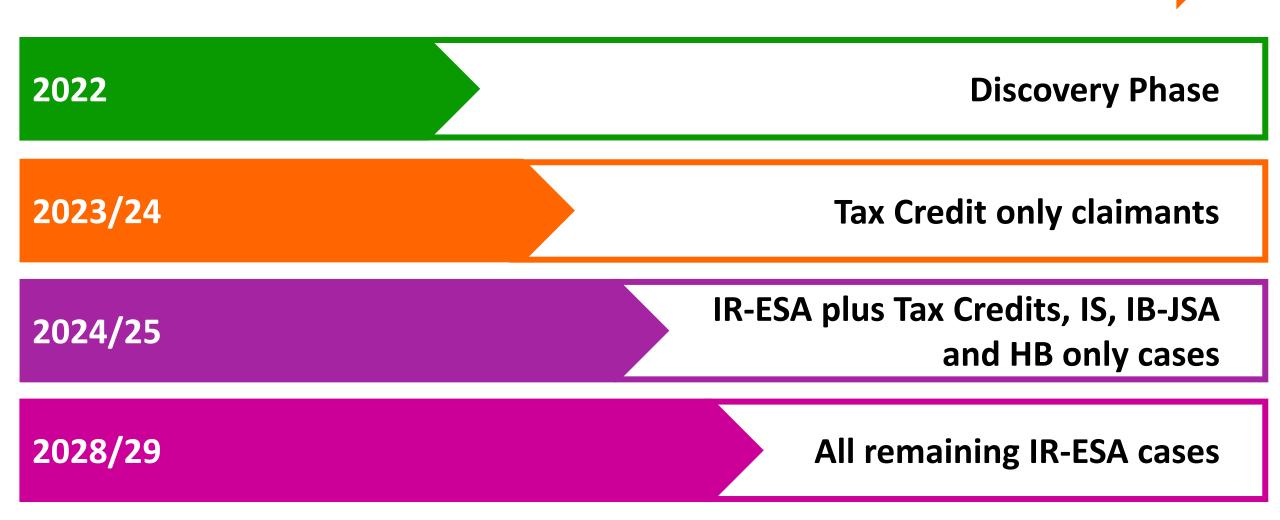
Transitional Element – the detail

Timing of the claim

Retrospective changes

Concentrating on Tax Credit only claimants

Managed Migration timetable



Managed Migration timetable

May 2022

Bolton Medway

July 2022

Falmouth Truro August 2022

Harrow

(London)

Sept 2022

Northumberland

Feb 2023

Cornwall

April 2023

Somerset

Gloucester

May 2023

East London

Cheshire

June 2023

Greater Manchester

East Yorkshire

July 2023

Durham & Tees Valley, Kent, North London, East Anglia



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Telephone: 0800 169 0328 8am to 6pm Monday to Frida

www.gov.uk/dw move-to-uc



11 April 2023

You need to claim Universal Credit

You must claim by 12 July 2023 to keep receiving financial support

Universal Credit Migration Notice

Universal Credit is replacing your Child Tay Credit

You must claim Universal Credit by 12 July 2023 to keep receiving financial support.

Universal Credit is a Department for Work and Pensions benefit. You can make a claim even if you:

- · are working
- · have renewed your tax credits
- have capital or savings of more than £16,000

How to claim Universal Credit

Go online to claim Universal Credit: www.gov.uk/dwp/move-to-uc

How to get help

- Call the Universal Credit Migration Notice helpline for free on
- Universal Credit website: www.gov.uk/dwp/move-to-uc

This is a migration notice issued under regulation 44 of the Universal Credit (Transitional Provisions) Regulations 2014 (MNS1)

You can also call us for free on 0800 169 0328 if you:

need more time to claim

Visit your local jobcentre

- · are not the person named on this letter
- · do not intend to claim Universal Credit.

How much you will get

Most people will be entitled to the same amount or more on Universal Credit. If the amount you are entitled to on your existing benefits is more than you would get on Universal Credit, a top up is available. This is called transitional protection.

This migration notice entitles you to transitional protection if your circumstances do not change before you claim Universal Credit. If your circumstances change before you make your claim, this may affect the amount you may get.

You need to claim as soon as possible to make sure the amount you are currently entitled to can be protected.

If you have certain kinds of debt, this may affect the amount of Universal Credit you get. Call 0800 169 0328 if you think this will affect you.

If you live with your partner

You will both need to claim Universal Credit by the same deadline. You must make a joint claim for your household, even if your partner is not eligible for Universal Credit

Why you need to claim Universal Credit

Universal Credit is replacing the following:

- . Working Tax Credit
- · Child Tax Credit
- income-based Jobseeker's Allowance.
- income-based Employment and Support Allowance
- Income Support
- . Housing Benefit

If you have already made a claim

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Yours sincerely

Universal Credit

We have many different ways we can communicate with you.

If you would like braille, British Sign Language, a hearing loop, translations, large print, audio or something else please tell us using the phone number at the top of this letter

How DWP collects and uses information

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Call charges

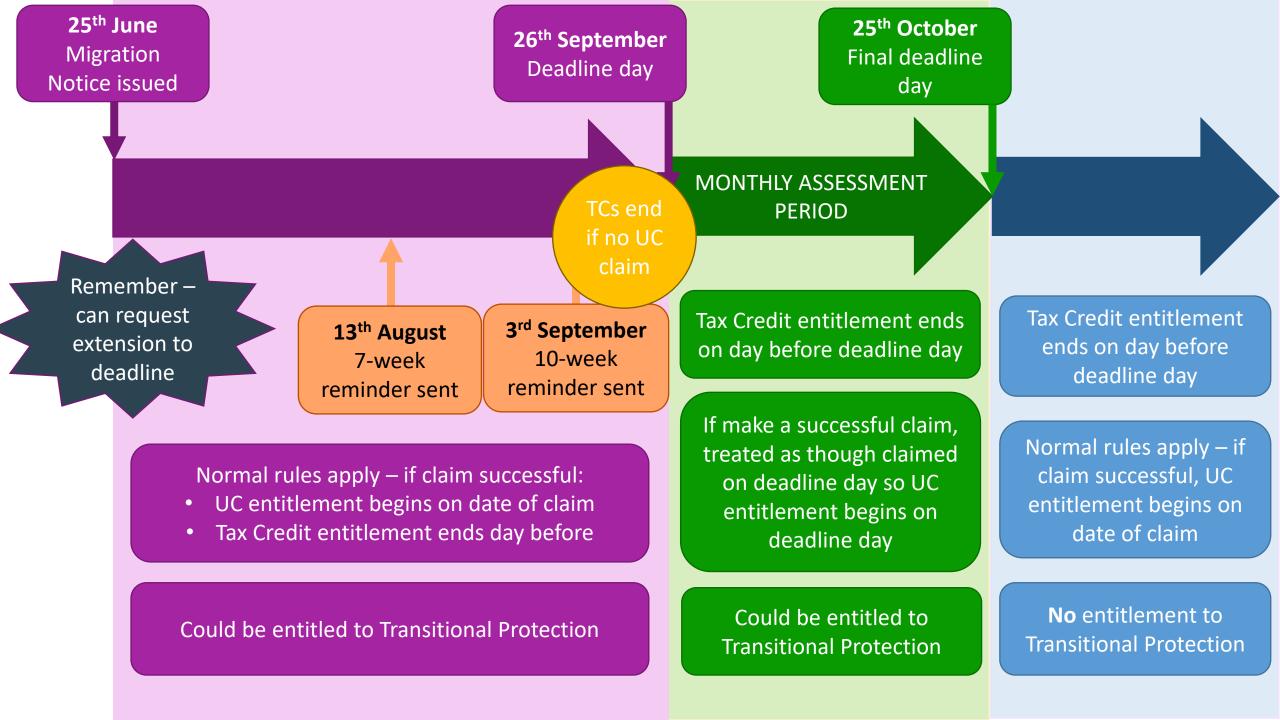
Calls to 0800 numbers are free from landlines and mobiles

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Quiz





Extending the Deadline

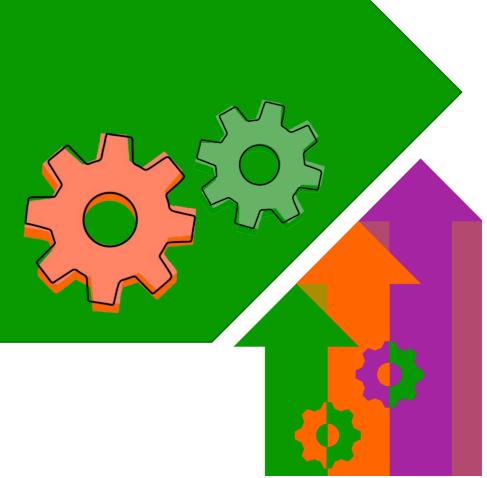
Advice for Decision Makers

- has a physical or mental health condition
 - has learning difficulties
 - is in hospital as an in-patient (or is about to go in)
 - has significant caring responsibilities
 - is homeless
 - has a domestic emergency

Guidance for front line staff

- the claimant is not engaging in the process until near the deadline
- the claimant needs more time to get the necessary documentation, evidence or information to make their claim
- the claimant needs more time to get support with making their claim

Protections



Who is protected?

To be entitled to Transitional Protection, a claimant must –

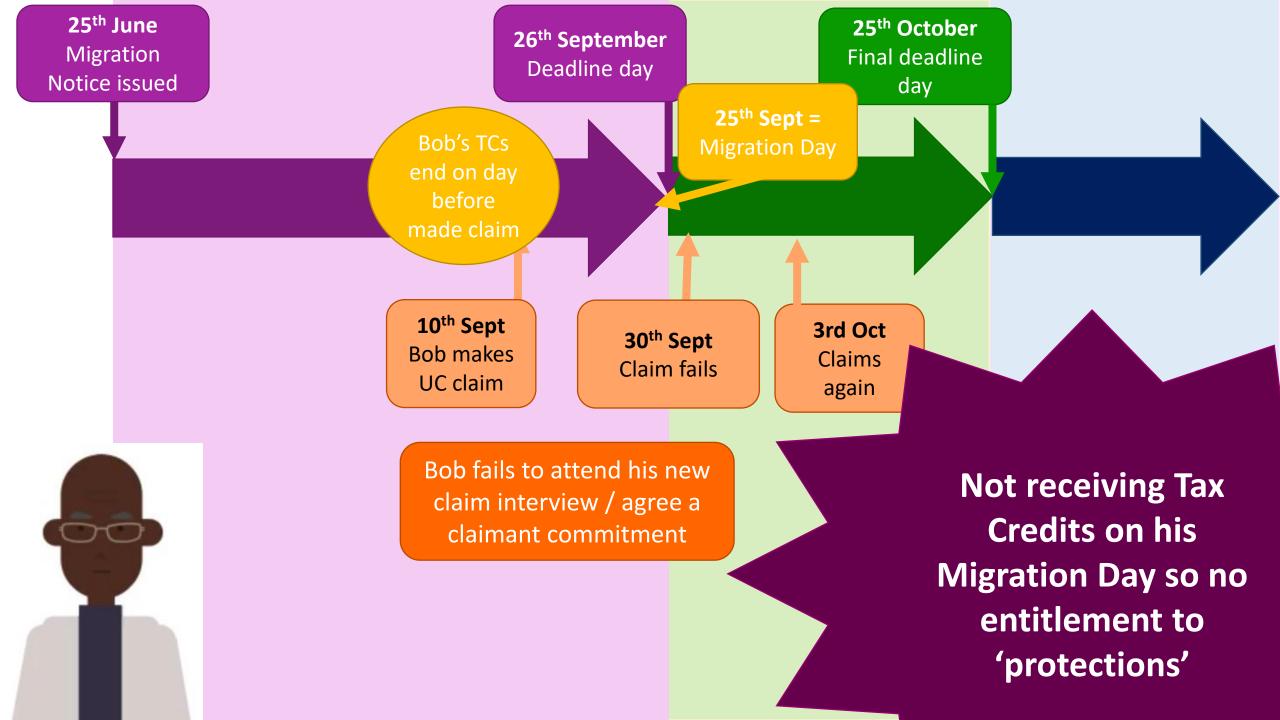
- Make a 'qualifying claim', and
- Meet the specific eligibility criteria on their 'Migration Day'

Meaning of "qualifying claim"

48. A "qualifying claim" is a claim for universal credit by a single claimant who is a notified person or by joint claimants, both of whom are notified persons, where the claim is made on or before the final deadline (see regulation 46(4)).

Meaning of "migration day"

49. "Migration day", in relation to a qualifying claim, means the day before the first day on which the claimant is entitled to universal credit in connection with that claim.





Who gets the Transitional Element?

Make 'qualifying claim'

Claim in same benefit unit

Indicative UC Amount is less than
Total Legacy Amount



The transitional element - total legacy amount

53.—(1) The total legacy amount is the sum of the representative monthly rates of all awards of any existing benefits to which a claimant is, or joint claimants are, entitled on the migration day.

Tax credits

- (2) To calculate the representative monthly rate of an award of working tax credit or child tax credit—
 - (a) take the figure for the daily rate of the award on the migration day provided by HMRC and calculated on the basis of the information as to the claimant's circumstances held by HMRC on that day; and
 - (b) convert to a monthly figure by multiplying by 365 and dividing by 12.
- (3) For the purposes of paragraph (2)(a) "the daily rate" is—
 - (a) in a case where section 13(1) of the 2002 Act applies (relevant income does not exceed the income threshold or the claimant is entitled to a prescribed social security benefit), the maximum rate of each element to which the claimant is entitled on the migration day divided by 365; and
 - (b) in any other case, the rate that would be produced by applying regulations 6 to 9 of the Tax Credits (Income Thresholds and Determination of Rates) Regulations 2002 as if the migration day were a relevant period of one day.

For Tax Credit only claimants this means the monthly equivalent of their Tax Credit entitlement

Other legacy benefits they could be entitled to, but are not receiving are ignored

Entitlement doesn't mean what they are receiving

What if HMRC hold the wrong information?

- **62.**—(1) Nothing in regulation 53 (total legacy amount) or 54 (indicative UC amount) requiring a calculation in relation to the transitional element to be made on the basis of information held on the migration day prevents the Secretary of State from revising or superseding a decision in relation to a claim for, or an award of, universal credit where—
 - (a) in the opinion of the Secretary of State, the information held on that day was inaccurate or incomplete in some material respect because of—
 - (i) a misrepresentation by a claimant,
 - (ii) a failure to report information that a claimant was required to report where that failure was advantageous to the claimant, or
 - (iii) an official error; or

Need to make sure HMRC have the correct information

DWP will recover any overpayments caused by failure to report / misrepresentation

The transitional element - indicative UC amount

54.—(1) The indicative UC amount is the amount to which a claimant would be entitled if an award of universal credit were calculated in accordance with section 8 of the Act by reference to the claimant's circumstances on the migration day, applying the assumptions in paragraph (2).

- (2) The assumptions are—
 - (a) if the claimant is entitled to an award of child tax credit, the claimant is responsible for any child or qualifying young person in respect of whom the individual element of child tax credit is payable;
 - (b) if the claimant is entitled to an award of working tax credit that includes the childcare element, the indicative UC amount includes the childcare costs element and, for the purposes of calculating the amount of that element, the amount of the childcare costs is equal to the relevant weekly childcare charges included in the calculation of the daily rate referred to in regulation 53(2), converted to a monthly amount by multiplying by 52 and dividing by 12;
 - (c) the amount of the claimant's earned income is-
 - (i) if the claimant is entitled to an award of a tax credit, the annual amount of any employment income or trading income, as defined by regulation 4 or 6 respectively of the Tax Credits (Definition and Calculation of Income) Regulations 2002, by reference to which the representative monthly rate of that tax credit is calculated for the purposes of regulation 53(2) converted to a net monthly amount by—
 - (aa) dividing by 12, and
 - (bb) deducting such amount for income tax and national insurance contributions as the Secretary of State considers appropriate,

What annual earned income figure is being used to calculate their Tax Credits?



Will lives alone in a rented one bedroom flat. He works 20 hours a week and gets Working Tax Credit as a 'disabled worker'. His only other income is standard rate daily living PIP.

Total Legacy Amount

Indicative UC Amount

Transitional Element

TAX CREDIT ENTITLEMENT

£341.80

TRANSITIONAL ELEMENT - £123.06

INDICATIVE UC AMOUNT £218.74

Why might this give a different monthly income to what the claimant is currently receiving?

Wages fluctuate throughout the year

Pay rise / cut earlier in the year

Claimant hasn't reported change in income

There is no legal obligation to report a change in income during the tax year

Who could be worse off on UC?

Child on DLA/CDP/PIP/ADP (unless on highest rate for care)

Some disabled workers



Do the maths!

Getting help with childcare because on PIP/ADP etc

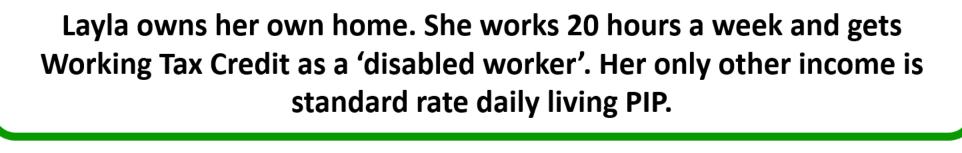
Mixed Age couples

Just some examples





Transitional Element: If earnings/income mean nil award of UC



Total Legacy Amount

Indicative UC Amount

TAX CREDIT ENTITLEMENT

£324.24

MAXIMUM UC

£368.74

ASSESSABLE INCOME



Total Legacy Amount

Indicative UC Amount

Transitional Element

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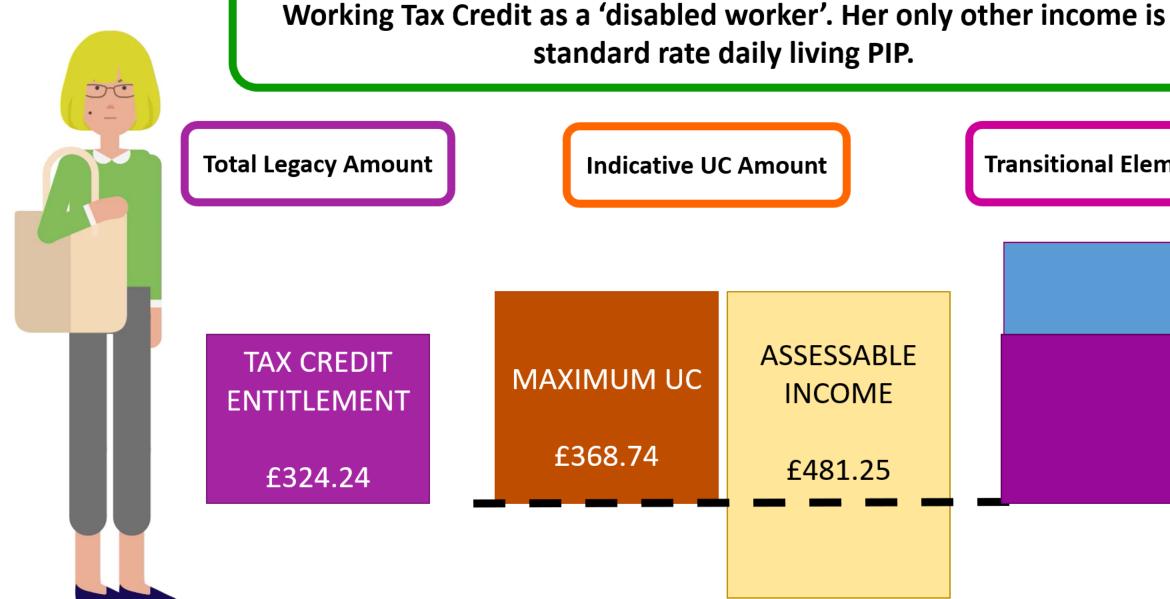
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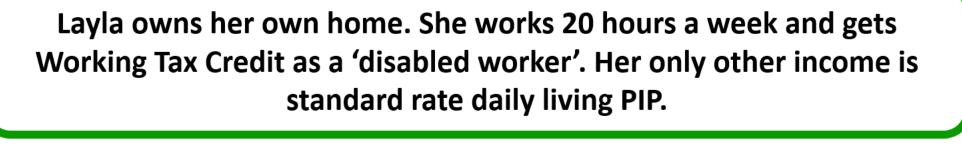
ASSESSABLE INCOME



Transitional Element

ASSESSABLE

Layla owns her own home. She works 20 hours a week and gets



Total Legacy Amount

Indicative UC Amount

Transitional Element

TAX CREDIT ENTITLEMENT

£324.24

MAXIMUM UC

£368.74

ASSESSABLE INCOME

£481.25

TRANSITIONAL ELEMENT

£436.75



First UC award

TRANSITIONAL ELEMENT

£436.75

STANDARD ALLOWANCE

£368.74



First UC award

Maximum UC

£805.49



First UC award

Maximum UC

£805.49

ASSESSABLE INCOME



First UC award

ASSESSABLE INCOME

£481.25

FIRST UC AWARD £324.24



First UC award

Total Legacy Amount

FIRST UC AWARD £324.24 TAX CREDIT ENTITLEMENT £324.24

Loss of Transitional Protection

Eroded to nil

Become a couple / couple separate

Nil UC
due to earnings
for more than 3
consecutive MAPs

UC ends for any other reason

Earnings were at or above AET (£677 single / £1083 couple) when they claimed UC but have been lower for more than 3 consecutive MAPs

Moving to UC: Timing

Three month window

Is there a 'best' time to claim UC?

Can 'choose' when to claim

May mean better delaying OR claiming early



Also: Things to consider

Best time to claim to take account of:

5 week wait – until 1st UC payment

Wage payments – frequency & impact on award

Childcare payments - refund

If self-employed – reporting income and expenses

Change that would impact UC award / Transitional Protection

Claiming UC impact's their or someone else's benefit income

Works pension about to start

Awaiting an award of DLA for a dependent child

Expecting a baby

Non-dep moving out

Going abroad for more than a month

About to inherit £25,000

Will be affected by the Benefits Cap

Has 'underlying entitlement' to Carers
Allowance

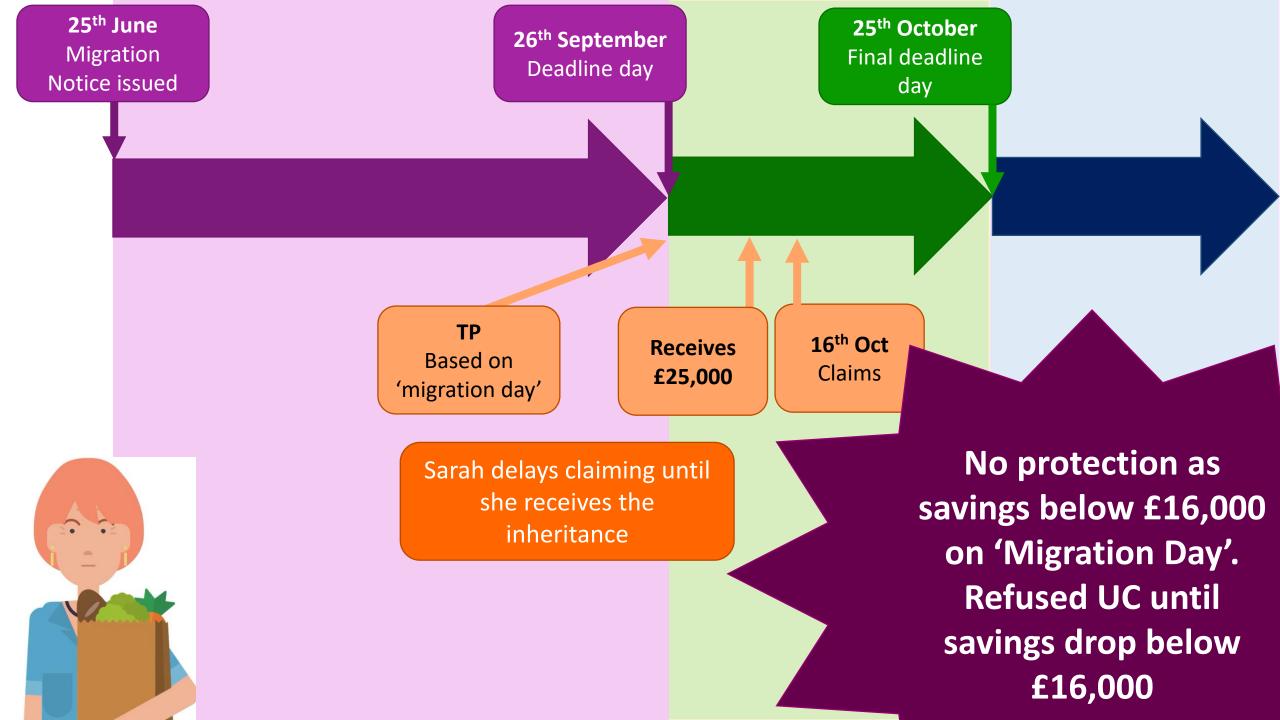


Sarah gets Working and Child Tax Credit. Her mum died over 6 months ago, and she is expecting to inherit £25,000 soon.





Timing?



Transitional Element: Retrospective Changes

Why has the calculation changed?

Wrong info

if resulted in overpayment – will recalculate TE if resulted in underpayment – will NOT recalculate

Official error

will correct and recalculate TE

Decision made after UC claim on an application for revision / supersession / appeal made before UC claim

will recalculate TE

KEY MESSAGES:

- Claimants who would be worse off on Universal Credit could be entitled to Transitional Element
- Claimants who UC would be reduced to £nil will receive some if entitled to TE
- Claimants who receive a Transitional Element won't see an increase to the Maximum UC until their TE is eroded to £nil
- TE will only be recalculated in certain circumstances

Couple of final thoughts



Stefan lives alone in a rented one-bedroom flat. He works 16 hours a week and was getting Working Tax Credit as a 'disabled worker'. He is now on UC. His only other income is standard rate daily living PIP.

He is making his claim for UC after receiving his Migration Notice. He has been advised that he is entitled to a Transitional Element.



If found to have LCW = work allowance

If found to have LCWRA = work allowance, plus LCWRA Element (but erodes his TE)



Joy is getting Income Support (as a carer, with SDP) and PIP DL. 6 months ago she took responsibility for her 6 year old son. She claimed CB, but decided against UC.

She is making his claim for UC after receiving her Migration Notice. Her indicative UC amount is higher than her total legacy amount so no Transitional Element.

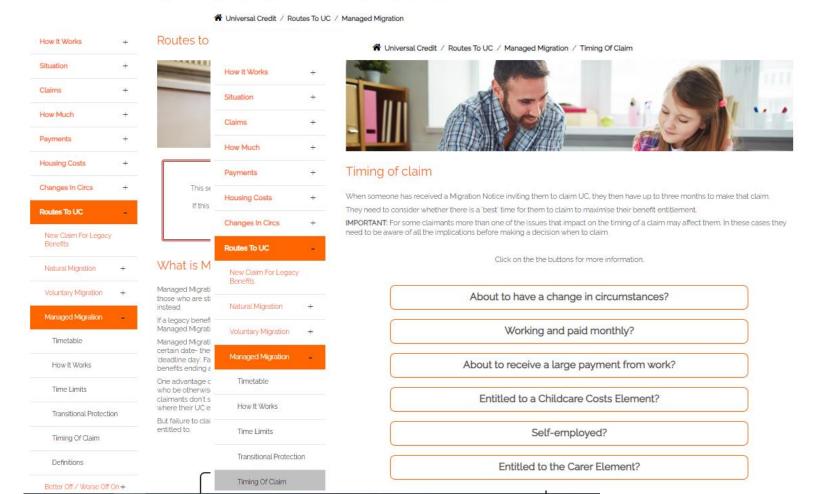


For those entitled to the MM TE then no TSDPE (even if it would be higher)

For future reference

Our MM Resources

Universal Credit



Website

340 orgs subscribed including:

The largest 10 Registered Providers

And 4 out of top 5 Local Authorities

CA Help to Claim service

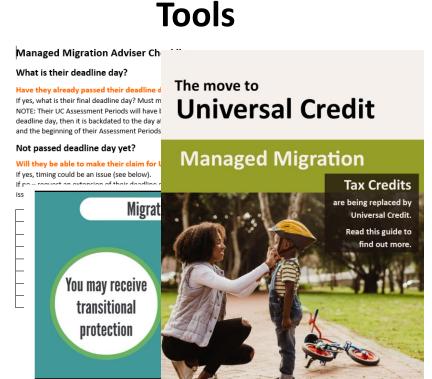
Charities

Our MM Resources

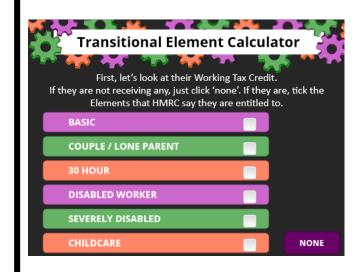
E-Learning / Training



We deliver in-house trainings sessions either online or face-to-face



TE Calculator



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Housing Systems

Information on website

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Calculators and Mapping Tools

Newsletter / Briefings

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If a legacy benefit to UC) the will be part of the

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Timing Of Claim

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Definitions

Better Off / Worse Off On +

Timetable