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Housing benefit

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Modul	Sachverhalt
Leistungsschlüssel	99107023000000, 99107023000000
Leistungsbezeichnung I	Housing benefit
Leistungsbezeichnung II	
Typisierung	2/3 - Bund: Regelung (2 oder 3), Land/Kommune: Vollzug
Quellredaktion	Nordrhein-Westfalen
Freigabestatus Katalog	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Freigabestatus Bibliothek	unbestimmter Freigabestatus
Begriffe im Kontext	
Leistungstyp	Leistungsobjekt
Leistungsgruppierung	Sozialleistungen (107)
Verrichtungskennung	
SDG-Informationsbereich	Vorübergehender oder dauerhafter Umzug in einen anderen Mitgliedstaat
Lagen Portalverbund	Existenzsicherung und staatliche Unterstützung (1140100), Wohnen und Umzug (1050200)
Einheitlicher	

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Ansprechpartner	Nein
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Handlungsgrundlage	
Teaser	Is your total income too low or your rent burden too high? Then you can apply for housing benefit as a tenant or owner for owner-occupied housing.
Volltext	<p>You can receive housing benefit as a tenant (so-called rent subsidy) or as an owner for owner-occupied housing (so-called encumbrance subsidy).</p> <p>Housing benefit is calculated separately in each individual case - on the basis of the so-called housing benefit formula. In the calculation, the actual rent is subsidized up to a maximum amount. The maximum amounts depend on the local rent level, the so-called rent levels.</p> <p>If your financial situation or your living circumstances have deteriorated or changed during the approval period, you can apply for an increase in housing benefit at any time.</p>
Erforderliche Unterlagen	<p>You must attach the following documents to the completed application form:</p> <p>Current proof of rent or charges, in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rental agreement, • current statement of operating costs, if applicable, • for owners: Proof of existing loans taken out for the purchase, construction or modernization of the home or condominium, • for owners: current property tax assessment. <p>Current proof of income of all household members, e.g.</p>

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- Wage and salary statements for the last few months,
- current pension statement,
- Current notification of receipt of other social benefits (e.g. unemployment benefit, parental benefit, maintenance advance, sickness benefit),
- Proof of maintenance payments,
- Proof of interest and other investment income (e.g. for savings accounts, fixed-term deposits, call money, building society savings contracts, funds); in particular tax certificates.

Other evidence (if available), e.g.

Disability certificate and notification of long-term care insurance benefits.

Voraussetzungen

Whether and to what extent you can claim housing benefit depends on various factors, the main ones being

1. How high is your total income?
2. How high is your rent, or your monthly rent if you own your own home?
3. How many household members do you have and what is their income?

Re 1: The total income is the sum of the annual incomes of all household members to be taken into account. Certain allowances and deductions for maintenance payments can be deducted from this. The calculation of income is based on the Income Tax Act, i.e. the taxable positive income is decisive, supplemented by a catalog of tax-free income to be taken into account. Ten percent must be deducted from this if taxes on income, contributions to statutory health and long-term care insurance or contributions to statutory pension insurance are paid during the approval period.

If all three of these or similar payments are made, the

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deduction amount is 30 percent.

Re 2: Rent is the agreed remuneration for the use of living space on the basis of a rental agreement. Burdens for owners are the expenses for debt servicing and the management of the property. The basis for calculating the housing benefit is the so-called gross rent. The rent does not include, for example, heating costs and costs for heating water. Household electricity and payments for the use of a garage or parking space for motor vehicles are also not included.

The rent or charge is only eligible up to certain maximum amounts. The maximum amounts depend on the local rent level, the so-called rent levels, and the number of household members to be taken into account.

Re 3: Household members are the person entitled to housing benefit and other persons expressly named in the Housing Benefit Act if they share the dwelling for which housing benefit is claimed with the person entitled to housing benefit. This home must be the center of living relations for each person named. All household members are taken into account if they are not excluded from housing benefit. You are excluded from housing benefit if you receive transfer benefits (other social benefits) that already include housing costs, e.g. basic income support for jobseekers (unemployment benefit II) or basic income support in old age and in the event of reduced earning capacity.

Students and trainees living alone who are entitled to BAföG or Berufsausbildungsbeihilfe (BAB) are also not entitled to housing benefit, even if BAföG or BAB was rejected due to their parents' income being too high.

For details, please contact your local housing benefit authority.

Kosten

None

Verfahrensablauf

You can only receive housing benefit on application.

You must submit your application for housing benefit

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	<p>to the local housing benefit authority. Once the application has been processed, the housing benefit authority will issue a decision.</p> <p>As a rule, housing benefit is granted for twelve months. In order to avoid an interruption of current housing benefit payments, you should submit an application for continued housing benefit two months before the end of the current approval period. The conditions for your entitlement will be checked again.</p>
Bearbeitungsdauer	
Frist	Housing benefit is generally paid from the first of the month in which the application is made.
weiterführende Informationen	<p>Who receives housing benefit? - Information from the Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community (Link: https://www.bmi.bund.de/SharedDocs/downloads/DE/publikationen/themen/bauen/wohnen/wohngeld-2020-ratschlaege-und-hinweise.pdf;jsessionid=C99A666DE26B69898CF9CC22CA5B7432.2_cid373?__blob=publicationFile&v=2 Information from the Ministry of Regional Identity, Communities and Local Government, Building and Gender Equality of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia (link: https://www.mhkgb.nrw/themen/bau/wohnen/wohngeld) Housing benefit calculator and online housing benefit application from the Ministry of Regional Identity, Communities and Local Government, Building and Gender Equality of North Rhine-Westphalia (Link: https://www.wohngeldrechner.nrw.de/wg/wgrbhtml/WGRBWLKM?BULA=NW)</p>
Hinweise	<p>If your financial situation or living circumstances have improved or changed, this may also lead to a reduction in housing benefit. You are obliged to inform the housing benefit authority immediately of any changes that could lead to a reduction in housing benefit.</p> <p>In order to avoid or uncover unlawful claims for housing benefit, the housing benefit authority may regularly check the household members by means of a so-called data comparison.</p>

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Rechtsbehelf	
Kurztext	You can receive housing benefit as a tenant (so-called rent subsidy) or as an owner for owner-occupied housing (so-called encumbrance subsidy). To receive housing benefit, you must submit an application to your local housing benefit authority.
Ansprechpunkt	
Zuständige Stelle	
Formulare	<p>You can obtain the application form with attachment from the relevant housing benefit authority or download it from the website of the Ministry of Finance.</p> <p>[Forms from the Ministry for Regional Identity, Communities and Local Government, Building and Gender Equality](https://www.mhkgb.nrw/themen/bau/wohnen/wohngeld)</p>
Ursprungsportal	Wohngeld, Housing benefit