WELFARE BENEFIT RATES: RECOMMENDED RATES FROM 1ST JANUARY 1999

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The Employment and Social Security Committee wishes to advise the States of the current rates of certain welfare benefits.

The scale rate of benefits is increased at the same time as Social Security benefits on 1st October each year, whilst the rate in respect of a child dependant is increased with effect from 1st January each year at the time family allowance payments are increased. In the round of increases this year, rates have been increased by 4.7 per cent.

		Weekly rate £
Single householder		89.20
Married couple		148.00
Dependent relative or someone living in another person's household		73.00
Age	18-20 years 16-17 years	52.40 41.00

	up to 15 years	34.20
Capital limits -	single person married couple	5,500.00 9,000.00

Personal allowance to those in residential care

18.00

The capital limits represent the amount of capital that can be held before the rate is reduced. When the amount of capital is $\pounds 5,500$ for a single person, or $\pounds 9,000$ for a married couple, the weekly grant will be reduced by $\pounds 1$ and then by 25p for every $\pounds 50.00$ held in excess of these limits.