

Heating Supplement

If you have special heating needs due to your cancer diagnosis, you may be able to get additional weekly supplements under the Supplementary Welfare Allowance Scheme. This additional weekly payment helps with the cost of heating your home.

Who can apply?

You may qualify for a heating supplement, if you:

- Can show you have extra heating needs because of your age, medical condition or disability
- Are living alone or only with a dependent adult or dependent children
- Satisfy a means test. A means test looks at your income to see if it is below a certain level

What is the rate of payment?

There is no fixed rate for heating supplement. The amount of heating supplement you get is based on your needs, as assessed by the Department Social Protection's representative.

How do I apply?

Contact the Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection representative at your local [Intreo Centre or Social Welfare office](#).

The information above is an overview of the Heating Supplement.

For detailed information, applicants are advised to:

- Visit Citizens Information online.
- Call [Citizens Information](#) on 0761 07 4000 – Monday to Friday from 9am to 8pm
- Visit your local [Citizens Information](#) office
- Call our Cancer Support Line on Freephone 1800 200 700 – Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm
- Contact your Medical Social Worker