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SOCIAL SECURITY

The Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) (Amendment) Regulations 2026

Made - - - -	***
Coming into force - -	*1st April 2026*

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 46(3) and 53(1) of the Child Maintenance and Other Payments Act 2008(**a**).

In accordance with section 53(3) of the Child Maintenance and Other Payments Act 2008, a draft of this instrument has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.

Citation, commencement, application and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) (Amendment) Regulations 2026 and come into force on 1st April 2026.

(2) Regulation 2(a) applies only in relation to a person—

(a) first diagnosed with diffuse mesothelioma on or after 1st April 2026, or

(b) where the date of the first diagnosis with diffuse mesothelioma is unknown, if a claim under section 46(1) of the Child Maintenance and Other Payments Act 2008 is made by that person on or after 1st April 2026.

(3) Regulation 2(b) applies only in relation to the dependant of a person who dies on or after 1st April 2026 and who, immediately before their death, had diffuse mesothelioma.

(4) These Regulations extend to England and Wales and Scotland.

Amendment to the Schedule to the Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) Regulations 2008

2. In the Schedule to the Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) Regulations 2008(**b**)—

(a) for Table 1 (together with the headings to the Table) substitute—

(**a**) 2008 c. 6.
(**b**) S.I. 2008/1963, amended by S.I. 2025/341; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

"Table 1

Amount of lump sum payment to person with mesothelioma

Age of person with mesothelioma at first diagnosis or, if unknown, date of claim	*Payment* £
37 or under	120,566
38	118,221
39	115,882
40	113,543
41	111,199
42	108,858
43	107,691
44	106,513
45	105,347
46	104,176
47	103,005
48	99,733
49	96,457
50	93,173
51	89,901
52	86,614
53	84,275
54	81,939
55	79,602
56	77,249
57	74,908
58	68,825
59	62,735
60	56,656
61	50,567
62	44,481
63	40,735
64	36,985

Age of person with mesothelioma at first diagnosis or, if unknown, date of claim	*Payment £*
65	33,245
66	29,498
67	25,753
68	24,989
69	24,224
70	23,471
71	22,710
72	21,953
73	21,304
74	20,644
75	20,012
76	19,377
77 or over	18,733”;

(b) for Table 2 (together with the headings to the Table) substitute—

“Table 2

Amount of lump sum payment to dependant

Age of person with mesothelioma at death	*Payment £*
37 or under	62,743
38	61,396
39	60,049
40	58,703
41	57,358
42	56,013
43	54,723
44	53,424
45	52,145
46	50,858
47	49,573
48	47,994

Age of person with mesothelioma at death	*Payment* £
49	46,409
50	44,831
51	43,257
52	41,676
53	40,381
54	39,099
55	37,811
56	36,515
57	35,231
58	31,668
59	28,091
60	24,526
61	20,954
62	17,379
63	16,359
64	15,347
65	14,308
66	13,286
67 or over	10,387”.

Signed by authority of the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions

Name
Minister of State
Department for Work and Pensions

Date

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Schedule to the Mesothelioma Lump Sum Payments (Conditions and Amounts) Regulations 2008 (S.I. 2008/1963) ("the 2008 Regulations") by substituting revised tables specifying the amount of lump sum payments payable to people with diffuse mesothelioma or to their surviving dependants.

The substituted tables have the effect of increasing the amounts payable under the 2008 Regulations by 3.8 per cent in each case, rounded up or down to the nearest £1 as appropriate.

The amendments made by these Regulations will apply in respect of a claim—

- by a person who was first diagnosed with diffuse mesothelioma on or after 1st April 2026,
- made on or after 1st April 2026 by a person with diffuse mesothelioma where the date of the diagnosis is unknown, or
- by a dependant of a person who died on or after 1st April 2026 and who, immediately before their death, had diffuse mesothelioma.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.

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