

Housing Benefit

For private tenants in Wyre Forest – April 2010

This leaflet gives the rates for Local Housing Allowance in Wyre Forest for April 2010

Before using the table below you need to work out how many rooms you are entitled to claim benefit for (see details below).

All Local Housing Allowance claimed by people living in the Wyre Forest area will be based on these rates for this month. A new set of rates will be available next month.

Once you have claimed, your benefit will be based on the same rate for up to a year.

For April 2010, the Local Housing Allowances for Wyre Forest are:

| Number of rooms | £ a week North Worcestershire |
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| Shared Accommodation | 59.00 |
| 1 Bedroom | 97.81 |
| 2 Bedrooms | 120.82 |
| 3 Bedrooms | 136.36 |
| 4 Bedrooms | 182.96 |
| 5 Bedrooms | 210.00 |

How many rooms does your household need?

One bedroom is allocated to every single adult or adult couple except:

- Single claimants under the age of 25 will be entitled to the shared accommodation rate
- Single claimants over 25 or couples with no dependants will be entitled to 1 room LHA provided they are not in shared accommodation

An additional bedroom will be allocated for:

- Any other person over the age of 16
- Any two children under the age of 10
- Any two same sex children under the age of 16
- Any other child.

Example: A couple with 2 male children under the age of 16 will be entitled to 2 bedrooms.

