



**Personnel Circular 18/20
For the attention of all employees**

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Scottish Child Payment

A new Scottish Child Payment benefit is being introduced from 15 February 2021 and Social Security Scotland started taking applications for this benefit from 9th November 2020.

Scottish Child Payment will be the biggest benefit introduced to date and initially, it will be available for those children under 6 years old, with 194,000 children expected to be eligible in the first year.

Families who meet the criteria and are eligible to apply will receive a payment of £10 per child, per week (equivalent to £520 per year) and payment will be made on a four-weekly basis. There are no limits to the number of children per family who can receive this benefit.

If you would like to know more about this benefit and how to apply, you can contact Social Security Scotland by phone on 0800 182 2222, or look online at [My Gov Scot](#)

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