

Foster Payments from October 2020

Effective from October 2020

All foster carers are paid a weekly allowance for each child they look after. Most foster carers also receive a weekly payment for skills. The payment for skills is for the work of the foster carer and the allowance is to cover the costs involved in looking after a child.

| Age of child in placement | 0-4 | 5-10 | 11-15 | 16-17 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Allowance (per week) | £150.00 | £166.00 | £189.00 | £222.00 |
| Standard level skills payment (previously levels 1 and 2) | | £165.07 | | £246.29 |
| ARC level skills payment (previously level 3) | | £445.36 | | £445.36 |
| 2nd placement skills payment | | £284.74 | | £284.74 |
| Parent and Child skills payment | | £445.36 | | |

Guidance

The allowance for the age of the child is added to the skills payment to give a total paid weekly.