



Maternity allowance for holders of statutory health insurance policies

Maternity allowance is available for the legally defined maternity protection period. This is 6 weeks before the expected due date and 8 weeks after birth. For premature and multiple births, the period is 12 weeks.

▶ **What do I have to do?**

Submit an application for maternity allowance with your health insurance company.

▶ **What is the total amount of maternity allowance?**

- For holders of statutory health insurance policies, the health insurance company pays up to 13 Euro per day of maternity allowance.
- The remaining amount up to the average net remuneration over the previous 3 months is topped up by the employer.

▶ **Family insurance policy holder?**

If you are a family statutory health insurance policy holder through your husband, you are not entitled to maternity allowance. Unless you are in low-paid employment.

▶ **Note:**

Maternity and parental allowance are subject to exemption with progression under German tax law and increase the tax rate for the remaining income.