

Changes to TV Licences for over 75's

In August 2020, the BBC introduced a new scheme that offers some over 75 households a free TV Licence. You can get a free TV Licence if:

- You, as the licence holder, are 75 years or older

AND

- you, or your partner living at the same address, receive Pension Credit.

If you are over 75 and don't receive Pension Credit you will need to pay for your TV Licence when you it comes up for renewal.

If you had a free licence up to 31 July 2020 and you or your partner at the same address are receiving Pension Credit, don't worry, you're still covered. During August and September, TV licencing will be writing to you to explain what you need to do to set up your next licence.

If you think you're eligible for a free licence but have not held one before, call 0300 790 6117 and speak to one of our advisors to request an application form. (Our lines are open between 8.30am and 6.30pm, from Monday to Friday.)

Once you receive your application form, you'll need to complete and return it. Please include a copy of your Pension Credit and proof of age documents.

Need to apply for Pension Credit?

- If you don't have Pension Credit but think you may be eligible, you can find out more at [gov.uk/pension-credit](https://www.gov.uk/pension-credit). You can make a claim for Pension Credit online or by calling the Department for Work & Pensions on 0800 99 1234 (opening hours 9.30am – 6.00pm).

If you would like advice about claiming pension credit you can contact one of the following local advice services

Organisation	Telephone No	Website
CYC Benefits Advisors	01904 552044	www.york.gov.uk/benefitsadvice
Age UK York	01904 634061	www.ageuk.org.uk/york/
Older Citizens Advocacy	01904 676200	www.oldercitizensadvocacy.org.uk