

THE IMPACT OF RAISING THE PENSION AGE TO 65

It will affect:

Pension credits
NHS prescriptions
Bus passes

There is a sliding scale to introduce the increase to age 65 and this will affect those born between 06/01/1951 – 06/04 1955.

For example based on birthdays on 6th Jan this is the age that you will receive your pension:

DATE OF BIRTH	RECEIVE PENSION	AGE
06/01/1951	06/11/2011	60 yrs 10 mths
06/01/1952	06/11/2013	61 yrs 10 mths
06/01/1953	06/11/2015	62 yrs 10 mths
06/10/1954	06/11/2017	63 yrs 10 mths
06/01/1955	06/11/2019	64 yrs 10 mths

Those with birthdays in February will be one month older, in March another month older and so on. For those born after 6th April 1955 they will be exactly 65 years old when they receive their pension.

There is a useful website which calculates the age that one will receive their pension. Just type in your birth date:

<http://pensions-service.direct.gov.uk/en/state-pension-age-calculator/home.asp>

However under new legislation the pension age for women would reach 65 by November 2018 (2 years earlier than current legislation). The rise from 65 for both men and women would then begin in December 2018 and reach 66 by April 2020. This legislation has not yet been passed.