Orphan's/Unsupported Child's Benefit application form



If you need more information go to our website **www.workandincome.govt.nz** or call us on **0800 559 009**.

We suggest that you read the instructions on pages 1 to 4 of this application form before starting to fill it out, so you get a feel for what is needed.

Support we can give you

If you are raising someone else's child, we may be able to help in a small way by meeting some of the costs involved.

The **Orphan's Benefit** is for people looking after someone else's child because their parents have died or can't be found, or when they can't look after their child because the parent has a long-term illness.

The **Unsupported Child's Benefit** is for people looking after someone else's child because the child's parents can't support them due to a family breakdown.

The child you are looking after must be:

- aged under 18 years and
- · single and
- financially dependent on you.

You must:

- be aged 18 years or older, and the main caregiver of the child and
- expect to care for the child for 12 months or more and
- not be the child's natural or adoptive parent or the step-parent if you are applying for the Unsupported Child's Benefit.

Both you and the child must also normally live in New Zealand.

You must give us all the information we need.

If you do not have all the information we need, talk with us and we may be able to help.

If we find out later that any information you give us is not true, or that you knew information you should have told us and did not tell us, we may stop paying your benefit. You might need to pay money back, we may impose a penalty, and you could be prosecuted.

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What you will find in this application form

This application form is made up of:

- an applicant form this is for you to fill out (pages 5 to 10)
- a form to fill in if the child is an orphan (pages 11 to 14)
- a form to fill in for an unsupported child (pages 15 to 19)
- Obligations this lists the obligations you agree to in return for getting payments and what will happen if you do not meet these (page 20)
- Privacy Statement this is what we do with the information you give us (page 21)
- a signature page where you agree to meet your conditions for receiving this benefit (pages 22 and 23)
- Helper's statement to be completed if someone has filled in the application form on behalf of you or your partner if you have one (page 22).

How to fill in this application form

Tick the small square boxes. For example, if your answer to a question is 'Yes', tick the box next to the word 'Yes'.

No



Write in the longer boxes. If you do not have enough room to write the answer to a question, use another piece of paper and attach it to the form.

Often this form tells you what to do next

If you see



Text that tells you what to do next

we want you to answer in the following spaces.

If you see



Go to question #

go to the question number given.

If we do not give you a question number to go to, answer the next question.

We use the following to show when we need documents and to help you answer questions



Documents you need to bring.



Information about a question.



How to answer a question.

If you have someone fill in this application form for you, that person must fill in and sign the Helper's statement on page 22.

The better the information you give us, the sooner we can process your application. So, please fill out the application form carefully, and bring all the documents you need to your meeting.

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Orphan's/Unsupported Child's Benefit what to bring



Once you have filled out the application form, use this checklist to tick off all the documents you need for your meeting with us.

Talk to us if you do not have any of the documents, have given them to us recently or if there might be a delay in getting them.

What you need to bring

Documents need to be originals, or copies of documents that have been certified as a **true copy** by a Solicitor/Lawyer, Notary Public, Registrar of the Court or Justice of the Peace.

Proof of who you are:

If you were born in New Zealand, bring one type of official identification that has your full legal name and your date of birth (for example, your birth certificate, passport, driver licence, firearms licence, deed poll).	
If you were born overseas, bring proof that you have a right to live in New Zealand (for example, a citizenship certificate, a New Zealand passport, a passport from another country with residence class visa or proof of permanent residence).	
If your name has changed, bring your marriage certificate, deed poll, or other proof of the name change.	
All people applying need to bring two more documents that help to prove who you are (for example, a marriage certificate, bank statement, phone or power account, driver licence).	
A form or letter from Inland Revenue showing your tax number.	
Proof of your bank account details, such as a bank statement or deposit slip.	

One of the documents you bring must be at least two years old.

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What you need to bring for the child

Proof of who the child is:	
Full birth certificate for the child that you are raising	
Proof of any income for the child - this may be income that both you or the child receives	
For Orphan's Benefit you also need to bring:	
Death certificate(s) for the parents and any estate details	
For Unsupported Child's Benefit you also need to bring:	
Copies of Family Group Conference outcomes or Court Orders or Court approved plans	

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Tell us about yourself

•	enefit or extra financial help from us before, write your client number here if you know ound on your Community Services Card if you have one.
Client number	
Tell us the names you have been known by ATTACHMENT FOR QI: Bring proof of your identity. What you need to bring is explained on	What is your full name? Mr Mrs Ms Miss Other First and middle names Surname or family name
page 3. 2	Is the name on your birth certificate the same as above? No Tell us the name that is on your birth certificate Yes First and middle names Surname or family name
HOW TO ANSWER Q3: For example, have you had married names, English names, changes by deed poll, or aliases?	Have you ever been known by any other name? No Yes Write them all out below 1. 2.
ATTACHMENT FOR Q3: Bring your marriage certificate, deed poll, or other proof of any name change.	What name would you like us to call you? The name I wrote in Question 1 Other Write the full name below
Tell us more 5 about you	What date were you born? Day Month Year

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6	Are you:
	Male Female
ATTACHMENT FOR Q7: 7	What is your Inland Revenue tax number?
Bring a form or letter from Inland Revenue showing your tax number.	
ATTACHMENT FOR Q8: You will need to	What bank account would you want your payments to be paid into?
provide proof of your bank account	The account is in the name of:
details, such as a bank statement or	
deposit slip.	The account number is: Bank Branch Account number Suffix
Tell us how 9	Where do you live?
we can	Flat/House number Street name
contact you	
1 HOW TO ANSWER Q9: If you live in a rural	Suburb
area, flat/house number could	
include your RAPID number, fire number,	Town/City
emergency services number.	
10 HOW TO ANSWER Q10:	Is your mailing address different from where you live?
Mailing address can include a postal	No Yes Tell us your mailing address
box (PO Box), rural	
delivery details, or C/O address.	
② HOW TO ANSWER Q11:	Use a design and a sent set use 0
Please only give us contact details you	How else can we contact you? Tick the best way for us to contact you
would like us to use.	Home phone ()
	Mobile phone ()
	Other mobile phone ()
	Fax ()
12	Do you agree to get emails from us?
	No Yes Tell us your email address I don't have an email address

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ethnicity NFORMATION FOR Q13:	Māori → Which t	ribe(s) or iwi?				
We collect this nformation for	New Zealand European	Niuean	Samoan		Indian	
statistics that we use in research and uture development	Other European	Tokelauan	Tongan		Chinese	
vork.	Cook Island Māori	Other \	Please write below		Do not wa	ant to ans
Tell us about your residence	Do you usually live in N No Yes	ew Zealand?				
ow to ANSWER Q14: 15	What best describes ye	our residence	status in New Ze	ealand?	Tick only	one box
his means that ou consider lew Zealand your ome, you are a	New Zealand citizen by birth	√ Go to	question 18			
egal resident, you sually live here nd you intend	Granted New Zealand citizenship	Date citizensh	nip granted			
o stay.		√ Go to	question 16	Day	Month	Year
	Granted permanent residency	Date permane granted	ent residence	Day	Month	Year
		√ Go to	question 16	Day	Monun	real
	Other	↓ What	is your residence st	atus?		
16	When did you arrive in	New Zealand	?			
	Day Month Year					
17		u born in?				

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Tell us about	the child
Tell us the names the child has been known by	What is the child's name? First and middle names Surname or family name
ATTACHMENT FOR Q18: Bring proof of the child's identity. What you need to bring is explained on page 4.	Is the name on the child's birth certificate the same as above? No Tell us the name that is on the child's birth certificate Yes First and middle names
PHOW TO ANSWER Q20: For example, has the child had a different surname or family name, English names, changes by deed poll, or aliases?	No Yes Write them all out below 1. 2. What date was the child born?
Tell us about the child's residence status	Was the child born in New Zealand? No Yes Go to question 27
25	

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26	How long will the child stay in New Zealand?
Tell us about the caring arrangements for the child	Is the child living with you at your address? No Give reasons why not below Yes
28	When did the child come into your care? Day Month Year How long will the child be in your care?
30	Why did the child come into your care?
31	What is your relationship to the child? Natural parent Adoptive parent Step-parent
	Not related Other relative Please explain below

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Tell us 32 about income for the child	Do you get any income on behandle No Yes Please provide details		
HOW TO ANSWER Q32: Examples of income			How often (weekly,
on behalf of the child are: money from the child's	Where/who does it come from?	How much?	fortnightly, etc)
parents		\$	
ACCChild, Youth and Family		\$	
other organisations.			
ATTACHMENT FOR Q32:		\$	
Please provide proof of		\$	
payments.		\$	
33	No Yes Please provide details		earn themselves?
	Where/who does it come from?	How much?	How often (weekly, fortnightly, etc)
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
		\$	
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		<u> </u>	
Establishment grant	This is a one-off contribution into your care, such as a bed, be received (or have been approximate for Life support package)	oedding and clothing. If y ved to receive) an upfroi	ou or your partner have nt payment as part of the
The Home for Life support package is available for approved Home for Life, parents.	Have you or your partner rece Family as part of the Home for		
35	What type of assistance are your orphan's Benefit Unsupported Child's Benefit	ou applying for? Go to question 3 Go to question 5	

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Orphan's Benefit extra information



Tell us about the child's parents

Tell us about the mother	What is the name of the child's mother? First and middle names Surname or family name
Por example, has she had married names, English names, changes by deed poll, or aliases?	Is the mother known by or has she used any other names? No Yes Write them all out below 1. 2. What is the mother's date of birth? Day Month Year Has the child's mother died? No Go to question 42 Yes
41	What are the name and contact details of the person who administers the mother's estate? Flat/House number Street name Suburb Town/City Home phone () Mobile phone () Email

42	Is the mother in hospital?
	No Yes Please provide details below
	Date of admission:
	Day Month Year
	Hospital name:
43	What is the mother's last known address?
	Flat/House number Street name
	Suburb
	Town/City
44	When did someone last hear from the mother?
	when did someone last hear from the mother:
	Day Month Year
Tell us 45	What is the name of the child's father?
about the father	First and middle names
	Surname or family name
7 HOW TO ANSWER Q46: 46	Is the father known by or has he used any other names?
For example, has he had married names, English	No Yes Write them all out below
names, changes by deed poll, or aliases?	1.
	2.
47	What is the father's date of birth?
	Day Month Year
48	Has the child's father died?
	No Go to question 51
	Yes
49	Where was the father's death registered?

	father's estate?		·	son who administers the
	Flat/House number S	treet name		
	Suburb		Town/City	
	Home phone	()		
	Mobile phone	()		
	Email			
	Date of admission: Hospital name: What is the father	Day Month		w
	Flat/House number S	treet name		
	Suburb			
	Town/City			
	<u> </u>	'ear		- Table - 10
Tell us if the child	Has the child lived			
has lived	No Go	to question 55	Yes	Please list details below
overseas	Name of country	Date child entered this country	Date child left this country	Reason for being in this country
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		/ /	/ /	

show us evidence of these payments, such as a pension		sion of than
certificate.	No Go to Obligations and Privacy on page 20	
	Yes Tick the box that best describes the payments	
	Widow or survivor Child or dependent Disability or health con	ndition
	Other	
	If you ticked 'Yes' for question 55, please give details of the payments. Payment 1 Payment 2	
	What country does the payment come from?	
	How much is received each time the payment is made (in overseas currency)?	
	Is this amount before or after tax?	
	How often is the payment received (for example: weekly, fortnightly, monthly)?	
	What is the name of the pension, allowance or benefit?	
	What is the payment reference number?	
	No Please provide details below for the person who receives the payments	nents
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Unsupported Child's Benefit extra information



Tell us about the child's parents

Tell us about the child's custody arrangements	Are you fully supporting the one of the one	child? etails of what help you get fi	rom the parents
59	Who has legal custody of the	child?	
60 61 ATTACHMENT FOR Q62: If 'Yes' please bring	What was the date of the cus Day Month Year Have you had any contact win No Yes Please give the r Child, Youth and Have you and the Child's fam by Child, Youth and Family?	th a social worker from name of the social worker an I Family office	d name of the
any documentation you would have been given at this meeting.	No Yes Pleas	e tell us the date of the conf	erence
HOW TO ANSWER Q63: Examples of Child, Youth and Family support are board payments,	No Go to question 6 Yes Please provide d	65	nd Family for the child?
counselling, etc.	Reason for payment	How much	How often (such as weekly)
		\$	
		\$	
		·	

65 66	Have payments from Child, Youth and Family stopped or are they about to stop? No
How TO ANSWER Q68: Give reasons: Has there been a breakdown? Comment on financial, accommodation, disability or other limitations. ATTACHMENT FOR Q69: Please bring copies of the Court orders or documentation from Child, Youth and Family where applicable. Tallus	Why are the child's parent's/guardians not able to provide fully for this child? Was the living arrangement ordered by any of the following? No Yes Please tick which agency Courts Child, Youth and Family Not applicable Other agency Please name agency below What is the name of the child's mother?
Tell us about the mother	What is the name of the child's mother? First and middle names Surname or family name

To How to Answer Q72: For example, has she had married names, English names, changes by deed poll, or aliases?	What is the mother's date of birth? Day Month Year Is the mother known by or has she used any other names? No Yes Write them all out below 1. 2.
Mother's contact details	Do you know where the mother lives? No
	Please give details of her employer (if the parent is self-employed, give the name, address and telephone number of their business below) Business name Number Street name Suburb Town/City Work phone () Mobile phone () Email

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Examples of further details are: names and addresses of parents, brothers, sisters or friends details of insurance, bank accounts or shares names and addresses of accountants or solicitors. INFORMATION NOTE FOR Q76 If the mother gets in touch with you, please pass on any additional information to us.	Can you give any other details to help find the mother? No Yes Please give details below Does the mother ever get in touch with you or the child? No Yes Please tell us about the contact and how often it occurs below
Tell us about the father	What is the name of the child's father? First and middle names Surname or family name What is the father's date of birth?
Programmer (a) The state of the	Is the father known by or has he used any other names? No Yes Write them all out below 1. 2.
Father's contact details	Do you know where the father lives? No

81	Do you know whe	re the father works?		
	No If	you can please give the det	tails below for his las	st employer
		ease give details of his emp		
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	Email			
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O HOW TO ANSWER Q82: Examples of further	Can you give any	other details to help fi	ind the father?	
details are: names and addresses	No No	Yes Please give de	etails below	
of parents, brothers, sisters or friends				
details of insurance,				
bank accounts or shares names and addresses				
of accountants or solicitors.				
1) INFORMATION NOTE FOR Q83	Does the father e	ver get in touch with y	ou or the child?	
If the father gets in touch with you, please	No	Yes Please to below	ell us about the conta	act and how often it occurs
pass on any additional information to us.		Below		
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Tell us if you get child	Does either parer	nt pay child support?		
support	No			
	Yes + Ple	ease give details of the pay	yments	
				How often (such as
	Who pays?	What do they pay for?	How much?	weekly, fortnightly)
			\$	
			\$	
			\$	
			\$	
			\$	
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Orphan's / Unsupported Child's Benefit obligations and privacy



You need to read and complete this section.

This part of the application form:

- · lists the applicant's obligations
- explains what will happen if obligations are not met
- explains how we protect the information given to us, and what we can do with it
- includes a signature page for you to sign.

Obligations

These are what you have to do to receive payments from Work and Income. Please read all the obligations because they could apply to you if your circumstances change.

Change of circumstances

I must tell Work and Income or my Contracted Service Provider (where I have one assigned to me) immediately if:

- · the care and/or support arrangements for the child change
- the financial circumstances of the child change
- either the child or I intend to travel overseas
- I have changes to personal details (such as name, address or bank account number)
- either the child or I have any other change that may affect my benefit entitlement or rate.

Not telling us about changes in your circumstances

I understand that if I do not tell Work and Income about changes that might affect whether I can get Orphan's/Unsupported Child's Benefit or the amount I'm paid, that:

- · my benefit may be reviewed and cancelled, and
- I may have to pay back the total amount of any overpayment that I have received, and
- Work and Income may impose a penalty (up to three times the value of the overpayment), and
- I may be prosecuted and fined or imprisoned.

You have the right to review or dispute any decision to reduce or stop your benefit.

Privacy Statement

The legislation administered by the Ministry of Social Development allows us to check the information that you give us. This may happen when you apply for assistance and at any time after that. The Privacy Act 1993 requires us to tell you why we collect the information and what we will do with it.

Why we collect information

The information you give us or your Contracted Service Provider (where you have one assigned to you) is collected under the authority of the legislation administered by the Ministry of Social Development. The information will be held by the Ministry of Social Development and/or your Contracted Service Provider.

The information is collected for the purposes of the legislation administered by the Ministry of Social Development (including Work and Income, Child, Youth and Family and other service lines of the Ministry), and in particular for:

- granting benefits and other assistance under the Social Security Act 1964
- providing employment related services
- statistical and research purposes
- providing advice to Government
- · care and protection needs of children
- · providing support and services for you and your family
- providing education related services.

Work and Income and your Contracted Service Provider will exchange information about you in order to provide you with your correct financial assistance and other services. Your Contracted Service Provider may collect information from other agencies where that information is relevant to the services that the Contracted Service Provider is providing you.

You are not required to give Work and Income or your Contracted Service Provider information, but if you do not give them, or us, all the information we ask for, your application for benefits and other assistance may be declined.

We may contact health providers

Work and Income or your Contracted Service Provider may contact health providers to check any health related information you give us.

We may compare the information you give us with other government-held information

The information you give us, or your Contracted Service Provider, may be compared with information held by other government agencies such as Inland Revenue, the Ministry of Justice, the Department of Corrections, the New Zealand Customs Service, the Department of Internal Affairs, the Accident Compensation Corporation, Housing New Zealand Corporation, Ministry of Health and Immigration New Zealand. It may also be compared with social security information (for example, pension or benefit information) held by other governments (including Australia and the Netherlands).

We may share information with Inland Revenue

Under the Tax Administration Act 1994, if you have dependent children, the information you give us, or your Contracted Service Provider, may be shared with Inland Revenue for the purpose of administering Working for Families Tax Credits. Inland Revenue may also:

- use the information for the purposes of child support, student loans and taxation
- disclose it to the Ministry of Business, Innovation, and Employment, Statistics New Zealand, the Ministry of Justice, the Accident Compensation Corporation, and the Ministry of Education
- disclose your personal information to your partner.

We may give information to service providers, employers and childcare providers

Work and Income or your Contracted Service Provider may:

- give employers information about you to find you employment and contact the employer to discuss the result of any job interview that you are referred to
- · share information with childcare centres to administer your entitlement to childcare assistance
- give information about you to the Tertiary Education Commission, Workbridge, training providers, career services or other agencies that have a formal agreement to provide services on behalf of Work and Income.

We may use your information to give you a better service

Other information that you give us or your Contracted Service Provider that is not required to assess your entitlement to a benefit (for example, on your skills, aspirations, family circumstances) may be used to provide a better service to you by your Contracted Service Provider or the Ministry of Social Development.

You have the right to see and correct your information

Under the Privacy Act 1993 you have the right to ask to see all information we, or your Contracted Service Provider, hold about you and to ask them, or us, to correct that information.

Signature page for Orphan's/Unsupported Child's Benefit

Office copy

By ticking the boxes and signing this application form, you agree to meet your obligations and conditions of grant

Applicant I have completed all the completed Application	·	ted for me in this Orphan's/Unsupported
The information I have give	ven is true and complete.	
conditions.	ing this assistance have been explain ned to me) and understood the Priva	
Applicant's name (print)	Applicant's signature	Date
		Day Month Year
should have told us and did	information you give us is not true not tell us, we may stop paying you se a penalty, and you could be pros	
If someone has completed Helper's statement below.	the application form for you plea	se get them to complete the
Please use the "What to Br documents you need to you	ing" checklist (page 3) to help you ur meeting with us.	make sure you bring all the
Helper's statement		
Complete this if you have helpe	ed the applicant or their partner to c	omplete this application form.
What is your full name?		
First and middle names	Surna	ame or family name
What are your contact detail	s?	
Address		Phone
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Child's Benefit. They told	on form at the request of the persor	n applying for Orphan's/Unsupported e signing. The statements and answers I person applying.
Helper's signature	Date Day Month Year	

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 Signature
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Signature page for Orphan's/Unsupported Child's Benefit

Applicant copy

By ticking the boxes and signing this application form, you agree to meet your obligations.

Applicant		
I have completed all the question Child's Benefit Application.	s or they have been completed fo	or me in this Orphan's/Unsupported
The information I have given is tru	e and complete.	
I have read (or had explained to m been explained to me and I under		ns for receiving this assistance have
I have read (or had explained to mapplication form	ne) and understood the Privacy S	tatement contained in this
Applicant's name (print)	Applicant's signature	Date
		Day Month Year
If we find out later that any informa should have told us and did not tell money back, we may impose a pen	us, we may stop paying your be	nefit. You might need to pay
Please use the "What to Bring" che documents you need to your meet		e sure you bring all the

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