

Bed and breakfast / hotel accommodation

Claimants, who live in bed and breakfast accommodation (B&Bs) or hotels which have not been provided by the Local Authority (LA) to meet a homeless obligation, can receive the housing costs payment in Universal Credit. The accommodation is private rented sector (PRS) and the costs are treated the same as any other PRS case and subject to the local housing allowance (LHA) rates.

Claimants need to have been living in the B&B or hotel on the last day of their assessment period in order for housing costs to be included in the Universal Credit calculation at the end of the assessment period.