



Interim payments

As there is an element of delay between sustaining a serious injury and receiving financial compensation, we will request interim payments to ease the financial burden and to enable immediate costs to be met.

Interim payments allow a claimant to receive a part of their financial compensation award before their claim is concluded. They are payments 'on account' which are an excellent way of paying the immediate costs that can arise when a serious illness or injury has been sustained.

How do they work?

You can only ask for an interim payment if the defendant admits that they were responsible for the accident which caused your injury. A court can also order an interim payment to be made if certain criteria are met after the case has been issued at court.

How much can I claim and how often?

The amount of interim payment you receive will depend on your case of course, but it cannot be more than 'a reasonable proportion' of the likely overall award of compensation.

There is no restriction on the number of applications for an interim payment you can make – but the total must be within the 'reasonable proportion' rule. These payments can be made regularly throughout the course of your claim.

What can the money be spent on?

Interim payments are commonly spent on items such as private medical treatment, specialist aids and equipment, adapted accommodation, loss of earnings and the setting up of a care and support regime. They therefore help in maximising your recovery and improving your quality of life.

How does this affect my final award of compensation?

When your final award of compensation is made, the interim payments will be deducted from it, so as to avoid you receiving the money twice.

“ I was very pleased with the service and the outcome. ”

Client testimonial

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We pride ourselves on our fair fee structure – there is no charge for the initial consultation and we guarantee that you will receive 100% of any compensation awarded.

Find out more
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