

Your reference is  
Please tell us this number  
if you get in touch with us

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Date 9 April 2012

## **YOUR CLAIM FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SUPPORT ALLOWANCE**

### **Contribution-based Employment and Support Allowance is due to end**

Our records show you have been getting contribution-based Employment and Support Allowance.

This is due to end on 30 April 2012. This is because you will have received a total of 365 days contribution-based Employment and Support Allowance which the law says is the maximum number of days you can receive this benefit for, unless you are in the support group.

Based on the information held on your current award of benefit, when your contribution-based Employment and Support Allowance ends you will not receive any money. We will continue to credit you with National Insurance contributions. These credits can help you to qualify for benefits in the future, including your State Pension.

In order to continue being credited with National Insurance contributions you may be required to provide medical evidence or attend Work Capability Assessments. We will tell you if you need to do this.

I appreciate you will be concerned about what this means for you and will want to know what happens next.

You may still be able to get Employment and Support Allowance if you do not have enough money to live on. Income-related Employment and Support Allowance may be payable if you have a low household income. This may be affected by income or capital you receive and is not usually payable if

- you have a partner working 24 hours or more a week; or
- you or your partner have savings and investments over £16,000

If you want to be assessed for income-related Employment and Support Allowance please contact us on the number at the top of this letter and ask about income-related Employment and Support Allowance.

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If you would like to know more about other benefits you may be entitled to please visit [www.direct.gov.uk/benefits](http://www.direct.gov.uk/benefits) or contact us on the number at the top of this letter.

Remember, you must tell us if any of your circumstances change. This includes any changes to your partner's circumstances, if you have a partner.

Yours sincerely

Paul Stanyer

Manager

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