

Support towards funeral expenses to rise from tomorrow



The change, announced in November 2019, means that the maximum amount families can claim for these type of costs will rise by 43 per cent. This payment is on top of existing allowances that pay for other funeral costs, such as burial or cremation fees.

Funeral Expenses Payments which are paid to eligible benefit claimants will increase for the first time since 2003, providing vital financial support to families grieving the loss of a loved one.

Information around eligibility and how to apply can be found [here](#).

Around 800 claims are received each week by the Department for Work and Pensions Bereavement Support team.

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SQP retailer premises: temporary change of premises



In light of the enhanced precautions on social distancing we must take as a result of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the Veterinary Medicines Directorate (VMD) has relaxed the enforcement of specific provisions of the Veterinary Medicines Regulations (VMR) to allow a suitably qualified person (SQP) to supply veterinary medicines from temporary premises.

Wholesale dealers will be allowed to supply veterinary medicines to SQPs at such temporary premises.

This decision has immediate effect and will last until 31 July when we will review it.

The VMD will not issue an improvement notice if there are breaches of the relevant provisions of Schedule 3 of the VMR during this period. For further information read the [statement from the VMD](#) (PDF, 895KB, 2 pages).

This is a temporary VMD enforcement policy in relation to specific obligations under the VMR only. The VMR continue to apply. The VMD may continue to take action to enforce those obligations in cases where the procedures described in the statement are not followed.

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Date of temporary facilitation changed to 31 July

2. 28 May 2020

Temporary facilitation will last until 30 June when we will review it.

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SQP retailer premises temporary change of premises – Review date now 31 May

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