# <u>Allowances</u>

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		Existing Rates from 1 April 2024	Revised Rates from 1 April 2025	Revised Rates from 1 April 2026
	Social Workers			
1	Standby Duty Allowance per session	£36.82	£38.29	£39.63
	Nursery Staff			
2	Special School Allowance per Annum			
	100%	£1,715.81	£1,784.44	£1,846.90
	80 – 100%	£1,378.59	£1,433.73	£1,483.91
	50 – 80%	£857.91	£892.23	£923.46
	Hospital Social Workers			
3	Sessional Payment	£46.34	£48.19	£49.88
	Nursery Staffs Scheme			
4	Sleeping-in Duty Allowance per session	See circular SJC 18-56	See circular SJC 18-56	See circular SJC 18-56
	Residential Staffs Scheme			
5	Sleeping-in Duty Allowance per session	See circular SJC 18-56	See circular SJC 18-56	See circular SJC 18-56

# **Shift Payments**

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	Existing Rate from 1 April 2024	Revised Rate from 1 April 2025	Revised Rate from 1 April 2026
Alternating Shifts	£33.35	£34.68	£35.89
Rotating Shifts	£53.32	£55.45	£57.39

#### **Standby for Employees Other Than Social Workers**

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## 1. Entitlement to standby, disturbance and call-out payment

- (a) The nature of the work for some employees makes it necessary for them to carry out standby duties. Such employees will therefore be contractually required to undertake standby duty if so requested by the authority and to carry out emergency work as and when the need arises.
- (b) Standby duties to a specific rostered arrangement whereby employees are under an obligation outside their normal working hours (including Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays) to remain on call and to be available to be consulted and if necessary to be called out for emergency duty.
- (c) Employees whose posts are not paid up to and below a professionally graded post and who are required to undertake standby duty, where this requirement is not already reflected in the grade of the post, will be entitled to payment in accordance with paragraphs 2 and 3 below.

# 2. Payment for Standby Duty

(a) An employee performing standby duty will be paid:

Standby Duty Payments			
	Existing Rate from 1 April 2024	Revised Rate 01/04/2025	Revised Rate 01/04/26
For each <b>complete week</b> of standby duty <b>performed</b>	£110.07	£114.47	£118.48
Plus For each public or extra statutory holiday in that week	£20.69	£21.52	£22.27
For <b>broken periods</b> of standby duty:			
Monday to Friday	£10.97	£11.41	£11.81
Saturday	£23.37	£24.30	£25.16
Sunday, public and extra statutory holiday	£31.85	£33.12	£34.28

(b) Each 24-hour period of standby duty is to commence at the beginning of the working day (or at the same hour on non-working days).

# 3. Disturbance and call out payments

Employees undertaking standby duty, who are contacted or called out in accordance with the agreed arrangements, will be paid on the following basis:

- (i) for each occasion on which the employee is contacted and which results in the exercise of skills for which the standby duty is required, either at the employee's home or elsewhere, a payment of the amount set out in table (a) below will apply depending on the status of the employee. An employee will, however, only be entitled to one such payment within each period of two hours, commencing with the start of the standby session;
- (ii) where an employee becomes entitled to a payment in sub-paragraph (i) and, where that or subsequent disturbance or call out is in excess of one hour, the employee will be entitled to further payment for the whole of the period of disturbance or call-out at the appropriate overtime rates.

(a) Disturbance and Call Out Payments				
for employees on standby				
Existing Rate from 1 April 2024	Revised Rate 01/04/2025	Revised Rate 01/04/2026		
£17.60	£18.30	£18.94		

# Payments for Employees not on Standby

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Employees not undertaking standby duty but who are contacted or called out will be paid on the following basis:

- (i) for each occasion on which the employee is contacted and which results in the exercise of skills for which the standby duty is required, either at the employee's home or elsewhere, a payment of the amount set out in table (b) will apply, however, an employee will only be entitled to one such payment within each period of two hours, commencing with the start of a notional standby session; and
- (ii) where an employee becomes entitled to a payment in sub-paragraph (i) and, where that or subsequent disturbance or call out is in excess of one hour, the employee will be entitled to further payment for the whole of the period of disturbance or call out at the appropriate overtime rates.

(b) Disturbance and Call Out Payments			
for employees not on standby			
Existing Rate 01/04/2024	Revised Rate 01/04/2025	Revised Rate 01/04/26	
£24.21	£25.18	£26.06	