

MOTABILITY DEPOSIT

Information sheet

The Charity can sometimes help with requests for help towards the deposit for an adapted vehicle purchased through the Motability Scheme. You can apply to join the Motability Scheme if you receive one of these disability allowances:

- Enhanced rate mobility part of Personal Independence Payment (PIP)
- Higher rate mobility part of Disability Living Allowance (DLA)
- Enhanced rate mobility part of Adult Disability Payment (Scotland)
- Higher rate mobility component of Child Disability Payment (Scotland)
- War Pensioners' Mobility Supplement (WPMS)
- Armed Forces Independence Payment (AFIP)

You need to have at least 12 months left on your allowance if you're applying to join the Scheme.

We will need you to complete our [financial assistance application](#) and upload all requested documents. To further support your request for assistance, please also include the following:

- If you have a current car that still meets your needs and the lease is 3 years old, we will need to know that there is not an option for you to extend the lease up to 5 years.
- If your current vehicle is no longer suitable for you, the lease is expiring with no option to extend, or you are purchasing a vehicle for the first time we will need to see evidence that you have applied for a grant from the Motability Foundation. If you are not eligible, we will require written confirmation of this decision. For more information and how to apply please go to the [Motability Foundation website](#) or call **0800 500 3186**.
- A recommendation from the garage where you are purchasing the car from confirming which vehicle they are recommending and the total deposit required.

You will need to apply to the Motability Foundation BEFORE you order your vehicle.

Please remember if you order your vehicle before you apply to the Charity for financial assistance, we may not be able to assist you with the deposit (and therefore it will be your responsibility to meet this cost).

Our financial assistance towards the deposit for an adapted vehicle is limited to a one-off payment up to a maximum of £1,000. If you have been with the Civil Service for less than a year, this payment will be capped at £500.

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