

IPSA's Top Tip

Make sure that all hard copy receipts are accompanied by the printed barcode for the online claim they relate to. Without this, the processing and payment of your claim may be delayed.

This week's news:

Publication dates for expenses data in 2011

Thursday 3 February – Claims processed in September and October 2010 including not paid claims from 15 September

Thursday 7 April – Claims processed in November and December 2010

Thursday 2 June – Claims processed in January and February 2011

Thursday 7 July – Claims processed in March 2011, and any remaining claims made and processed in the 2010/2011 financial year, as well as additional annualised information on MPs' expenses and costs.

Thursday 1 September – Claims processed in April and May 2011

Thursday 3 November – Claims processed in June and July 2011

Don't Forget...

Our opening hours over the Christmas period are as follows:

Friday 24 December – 9-12pm

Monday 27 – Closed

Tuesday 28 – Closed

Wednesday 29 – Closed

Thursday 30 – 9-5pm

Friday 31 – 9-5pm

Monday 3 January – Closed

On the days our office is closed we will be operating an email system through which emergencies can be dealt with. This email address is emergency@parliamentarystandards.org.uk. It will be checked regularly. Any emails to this address which are not urgent will be forwarded to our information team for reply in the usual way.

Accommodation expenses

We have had a number of queries about whether a second residence needs to be the same property as the one designated as such in the previous Parliament. If you are renting a property, or simply claiming associated expenses (utilities, etc), then it does not need to be. If you are claiming for mortgage interest under the transitional scheme (which ends on 31 August 2012), then these claims must be against the same property as in the previous Parliament, and this must remain the case for the duration of the transitional period.

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