

ANNEXURE 2

Information on social grants

Value of Social Grants

Grant Type and Value in Rands	Maximum Value until March 2002	Maximum Value as from 1 April 2002	Increase
Grant for the Aged	570	620	50
War Veterans Grant	588	638	50
Grant for Disability	570	620	50
Care Dependency Grant	570	620	50
Child Support Grant	110	130	20
Foster Child Grant	410	450	40
Grant-in-aid	110	120	10

Who Qualifies for Social Grants

It is important to note that people cannot qualify for more than one grant. An individual, however, qualifies for a grant for him/herself (elderly person) and for a child grant if he/she is the caregiver, for example Old Age Grant and Child Support Grant. To qualify for the following grants an applicant should be a resident and a citizen of the Republic at the time of application.

- (a) Old Age Grants** are paid to women who are 60 years of age and older, and to men who are 65 years of age or older.
- (b) Disability Grants** are paid to people who have been disabled for six months and more and who are 18 years and older. If a medical practitioner declares a person medically unfit, and as a result the person is unable to find employment and cannot support him/herself, he/she may qualify.
- (c) War Veterans Grants** are given to those who are 60 and older and who have served in the South African army during certain wars.
- (d) Child Support Grant** is given to a primary caregiver who takes care of a child or children, to a maximum of six children. The caregiver is anybody who takes care of the daily needs of the child. The caregiver must not be receiving any income for the children. To qualify for a grant the household income, if living in an urban area, must not be more than R800 and if living in a rural or informal settlement must not exceed R1100.

- (e) **Care Dependency Grant** is for children who are severely disabled and may need special care.
- (f) **Foster Care Grants** are paid to foster parents in respect of children who have been placed in their care through a court order.
- (g) **Grant - in - aid** is payable to someone who is taking care of a person in need of full time attention and who is a recipient of a grant.