

Editorial notes

1. This volume, entitled “Upper Tribunal Social Entitlement etc Reports”, contains reported decisions of Commissioners and Upper Tribunal judges in Great Britain that have been published for the years 2009 and 2010. Decisions are issued in biennial volumes. This volume is issued in electronic format only.

2. The volume will be amended where appropriate and further decisions added by the publication of quarterly supplements. Copies of amendment packages can be purchased from Corporate Document Services (0113 399 4040). For DWP customers this will be chargeable to your own cost centre. A leaf, for recording such supplements, is at the end of this volume.

3. Commissioners’ decisions which were reported and published during the years 1991 to 2008 are contained in nine other volumes.

4. Upper Tribunal Social Entitlement etc Reports and individual amendment packages can be accessed via the DWP website at www.dwp.gov.uk/advisers/index.asp.

5. The decisions in this volume are arranged in alphabetical order according to the benefit prefix and within each benefit series, the decisions are arranged numerically.

6. The main heading to each decision contains:

- the reported decision number with reference on the next line to any attached Court case where appropriate,
- the Commissioner’s or judge’s name,
- the original file number, **and**
- the date the decision was made.

Where a Court case is attached, there will also be details of that Court case. Where a Court decision replaces the text of the Commissioner’s or judge’s decision, the next heading will only contain details of the relevant Court and the judges who gave the judgment.

7. Following the headings, each reported decision has a headnote in which the decision is summarised for the reader’s convenience. Readers should note

that the headnote is not part of the decision and does not share the authority of the text.

8. The text of each decision is printed in normal Roman type with *latin, foreign terms and references to other named cases in italic print*. Square brackets indicate the Commissioner's intentional omission of text [for example of a claimant's name]. Round brackets are used when the Commissioner wants to speak (in parenthesis).

9. Emphasis in the text is indicated in two ways

- underlining may be used where the Commissioner wishes to emphasize text when quoting from another source and is usually accompanied by the phrase "(my underlining)".
- **bold** for all other emphasis.

10. Whilst every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of this work, the DMA Publications team would be happy to hear from anyone who spots errors. Please contact:

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