

# Apply for energy price flat rate for students, (vocational) technical students

With the one-off energy price lump sum, the federal government provides relief for people in training if they meet the requirements set out in the Energy Price Lump Sum Act (EPPSG). Find out more here.

The one-off payment could be applied for between March 15 and October 2, 2023.

The statutory deadline for applying for the one-off payment for students and (vocational) students has expired!

# **Competent Department**

- Die Senatorin für Wissenschaft und Häfen
- Die Senatorin für Kinder und Bildung | Referat 22 Ministerielle und schulbetriebliche Aufgaben, Berufsbildende Schulen
- <u>Die Senatorin für Gesundheit, Frauen und Verbraucherschutz | Referat 20 Berufe im Gesundheitswesen</u>
- Der Senator für Finanzen

## **Basic information**

Students as well as pupils in vocational school classes whose attendance requires vocational training leading to a vocational qualification, pupils in vocational school classes and vocational school classes leading to a vocational qualification in a training course lasting at least two years, as well as pupils in comparable training courses can receive a one-off payment of 200 euros to relieve them of the increased energy costs.

If you are one of the addressees and meet other requirements, you can submit an application for the one-off payment online using the procedure provided. As a person entitled to apply, you will receive an access code and, if necessary, a PIN from your training institution for this purpose. You must create a BundID user account in order to apply for the flat-rate energy payment for students, vocational students, and vocational students. You can submit your application until Sept. 30, 2023. After this date, it will no longer be possible to submit an application.

# Requirements

- You can receive the one-time payment if you meet the requirements set out in the Energy Price Flat Rate Act (EPPSG):
- You must belong to the group of addressees of the EPPSG. This includes:
  - Students,
    - In the area of higher education, this also includes, for example, part-time students, doctoral students, students on a semester's leave of absence, students at universities of applied sciences or students in a dual course of study.
  - Students in vocational school classes whose attendance requires vocational training that qualifies them for a profession,
  - Students in (vocational) technical school classes that provide a vocational qualification in a training course lasting at least two years,
  - students in training courses at higher technical colleges and academies,
  - students in training courses at certain training institutions that are covered by a legal ordinance pursuant to Section 2 (3) No. 1 of the Federal Training Assistance Act (BAföG).
    - A differentiation must be made in the case of trainees: Eligibility depends on what kind of training institution they attend and what kind of degree they are aiming for. Trainees at a vocational school or a technical college who are pursuing a vocational qualification lasting at least two years are eligible for the one-time payment. This also applies to trainees who attend a technical college class that requires them to have completed vocational training.
- AND in addition, you must have been enrolled or registered at your training institution on the cut-off date of 01 December 2022,
- AND in addition, your residence or habitual abode must have been in Germany on the cut-off date of December 01, 2022.
  - Persons who have carried out a study stay/internship stay abroad limited to a maximum of two semesters and were still enrolled/registered at their educational institution in Germany at the same time generally have their habitual residence in Germany.

## What documents do I need?

- Access code
  - transmitted by the training institution.
- PIN if applicable
  - transmitted by the training institution.
- IBAN from the SEPA area
- Applicants need a BundID account for identification in the application process.

# Procedure

You can apply digitally for the energy price flat rate for students, students of technical colleges and universities via www.einmalzahlung200.de.

- You set up a BundID account with the eID function of your ID card, with your ELSTER certificate, your electronic residence permit, your EU identity or your EU citizen card.
- Alternatively, set up a BundID account as a basic registration with username/ password.

- You will receive an access code and, if necessary, a PIN from your training institution.
- You register on the website www.einmalzahlung200.de with your BundID account.
- You enter the access code (and PIN, if applicable) provided by your training institution into the application form.
- You provide the other required information, in particular the IBAN of your account, a joint account or a third-party account.
- Once you have submitted your application, it will be sent to the relevant office in the country and checked (fully) automatically in the relevant country-specific procedure.
- As a rule, you will receive your notification of approval within a few minutes.
- The energy price flat rate is usually paid out within a few working days.

Responsible office for higher education:

• The Senator for Science and Ports (SWH), Department of Science, "Universities and Higher Education Policy" unit.

Responsible office for technical colleges and vocational schools (excluding health colleges).

• The Senator for Children and Education, Department 22 "Ministerial and school operational tasks, vocational schools"

Competent authority for the area of health technical schools

• The Senator for Health, Women and Consumer Protection (SGFV), Department 40 "Legal affairs health, professional and social security law"

Competent body for the area of the College of Public Administration and for the area of the North German Academy of Finance and Tax Law

• The Senator for Finance (SF), Department 30 "Civil Service, Salary, Pension and Staff Representation Law".

## Legal bases

 <u>Gesetz zur Zahlung einer einmaligen Energiepreispauschale für Studierende,</u> <u>Fachschülerinnen und Fachschüler sowie Berufsfachschülerinnen und</u> <u>Berufsfachschüler in Bildungsgängen mit dem Ziel eines mindestens zweijährigen</u> <u>berufsqualifizierenden Abschlusses</u>

## What deadlines must be paid attention to?

The application must be submitted no later than September 30, 2023.

#### How long does it take to process

The processing of applications up to approval usually takes only a few minutes. Payment is usually made within a few days of approval.

# What are the costs?

There are no costs involved.