

UC housing element, specified accommodation and temp acc

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Does the claimant live in any of the following four categories of “specified accommodation”?

- Category 1: exempt accommodation
 - Not-for-profit landlord who also provides support
- Category 2: not-for-profit landlord, support provided by A N Other and claimant admitted to accommodation in order to receive support, for example
 - Managed projects
 - Supported living where support commissioned from third party provider
- Category 3: domestic violence refuge provided by not-for-profit landlord or HB authority
- Category 4: hostel provided by HB authority

Answer YES if any of above applies, irrespective of whether the accommodation was provided as part of HB authority’s homelessness functions

Yes

The claimant is not entitled to a UC housing element for this accommodation

The claimant must claim/continue receiving Housing Benefit

This applies in both full service and live service areas

No

UC housing element subject to normal rules

Does the claimant occupy temporary homeless accommodation?

- This means accommodation provided by the HB authority or a registered housing association in accordance with the HB authority’s homelessness obligations

No

Yes

UC housing element based on claimant’s personal LHA rate
In “full service” areas, government block grant for 2016/17 compensates HB authority for shortfall between UC and the amount of HB subsidy that would have been paid by DWP under HB (including so-called “management fee”); this is rolled out to all areas in 2017/18