

Claiming free prescriptions?



If you claim free NHS prescriptions that you're not entitled to, you could be facing a **penalty charge of up to £100** – as well as the original prescription charge(s). An additional charge of up to £50 may apply if you do not pay within the required timescale.



If you're not sure whether you qualify, please pay for your prescription and ask for an NHS receipt – you may be able to claim a refund later. Even if you don't currently qualify, help could be available.



If you're sure that the NHS covers the cost of your prescriptions, please **show proof of your entitlement** to the pharmacy or practice staff before signing the patient declaration.

Please see the 'Claiming free prescriptions?' booklet or visit www.nhs.uk/healthcosts for more information.