



# The Guaranteed Income Supplement renewal period is here!

**Have you filed your tax return?**

Each year, many GIS recipients see their benefits interrupted in July because they have not filed their tax returns. In order to minimize these interruptions, clients are encouraged to file their tax returns electronically with the Canada Revenue Agency **before April 30**, or to complete a GIS renewal [form \(ISP3026\)](#) available on the Service Canada website.

## Are you entitled to the GIS?

### Yes, if:

- ✓ you are 65 or older
- ✓ you live in Canada
- ✓ you receive the [Old Age Security \(OAS\) pension](#)
- ✓ your income is below \$19,656 if you are single, widowed or divorced
- ✓ your income plus the income of your spouse/common-law partner is below:
  - ✓ \$25,968 if your spouse/common-law partner receives the full OAS pension;
  - ✓ \$47,136 if your spouse/common-law partner does not receive either the OAS pension or the Allowance
  - ✓ \$36,384 if your spouse/common-law partner receives the Allowance.

## You're not receiving the GIS?

### Here's how you can:

- ✓ Apply online through a My Service Canada Account (MSCA).
- ✓ Complete a Guaranteed Income Supplement application [form \(ISP3025\)](#) available on the Service Canada website, and mail it to the nearest Service Canada office.

## Clients and their family members can contact us for information and assistance:



**Online**, via the [Service Canada](#) website



**By telephone**, toll free at **1-800-277-9915**



**In person**, at a Service Canada Centre (SSC) near you. However, due to COVID-19, clients must book an appointment via [eServiceCanada](#) before visiting an SCC



**By mail**, at the nearest [Service Canada office](#).

**Clients must contact us as soon as their situation changes, for instance a change in income, marital status or address.**

## What is the Guaranteed Income Supplement?

The Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) is a monthly benefit that is not taxable and income-based. It is paid to Canadian residents who receive Old Age Security benefits and have low incomes. GIS benefits are renewed automatically each **each July, provided that the client files an income tax return by April 30.**