

SINGLE PARENT FAMILY LAW, 5752-1992

Definitions.

1. In this Law -

"single parent - resident of Israel who has the custody of a child and to whom one of the following applies:

- (1) Is not married and there is no person who is known publicly as his or her spouse;
- (2) Is married and to whom the provisions of one of subparagraphs (a) or (b) apply, provided that there is no other person who is known publicly as his or her spouse;
 - (a) He or she has lived separately from his or her spouse for a period of at least two years and has commenced legal proceedings for the dissolution of marriage and has acted within the framework of such proceedings for at least two years;
 - (b) She is an *aguna*, within the meaning thereof in Section 1 of the National Insurance Law [Consolidated Version] 5755-1995;
- (3) He or she is a new immigrant who has been in Israel for more than one year and less than two years and his or her spouse has not immigrated to Israel and has not lived in Israel, provided that he or she has no other spouse;

"Minister" - Minister of Labour and Social Affairs.

"child" - a child within the meaning thereof as defined in section 1 of the National Insurance Law who has not yet attained the age of 18.

Vocational training.

2. A single parent is entitled to preference for vocational training under conditions and rules established by the Minister in regulations.

Day nurseries.

3. A single parent is entitled to preference for acceptance of his or her children in day nurseries. With reference to amount of payment to day nurseries, the Minister, by regulations, will establish special rules concerning incomes of single parents.

Housing loan.

4. A single parent other than a single parent as provided in paragraph (4) [sic] of the definition of a single parent is entitled to an increased loan from or on behalf of the State for housing needs, in such amounts, under such conditions and rules as the Minister of Construction and Housing has prescribed in regulations after consultation with the Minister.

Labour Court.

5. The Labour Court will have exclusive authority to try and to adjudicate any claim arising under this Law.

Implementation and regulations.

6. (a) The Minister is in charge of implementation of this Law and shall prescribe regulations as to any matter relating to its implementation.
- (b) Regulations under subsection (a) and sections 3 and 4 hereof shall be prescribed with the consent of the Minister of Finance.
- (c) Regulations under subsection (a) and sections 2, 3, and 4 hereof shall require approval of the Knesset Labour and Social Affairs Committee.

Amendment of the Assurance of Income Law.

7. In the Assurance of Income Law, 5741-1980 -
- (1) In section 1, after the definition of "pension", the following shall be inserted:
"single parent" - means as defined in section 1 of the Single Parent Law 5752-1992;
- (2) In section 2(a) instead of paragraph (5) the following shall be inserted:
(5) He or she is a single parent and in respect of which the child of which they have custody has not yet attained the age of 7;
- (3) In section 5(a) instead of paragraph (2) the following shall be inserted;
(2) At the increased rate -
(a) Under items 1 to 6 in the schedule, as the case may be, - if the person entitled to pension is one of those enumerated in paragraph (6) of section 2(a) or if he is a single parent.

Amendment of the National Insurance Law.

8. After section 114 of the National Insurance Law the following shall be inserted:
115. (a) "single parent" - means as defined in section 1 of the Single Parent Law 5752-1992;
"school year" - means the period from 1st September of each year until the 31st August in the following year;
- (b) At the beginning of every school year, the Institute shall pay to a single parent to whom children's pension is payable for the first child of those counted as his children, a school grant at the rate of 18% of the average wage, for each of his children who prior to the 1st of Tevet in the same school year will have attained the age of six but is not yet eleven years old.
- (c) A grant under this section shall be paid from State Treasury funds which shall transfer to the Institute every year, all such funds as are required for the implementation of payments made pursuant to this section, including the administrative expenses of the Institute arising from and incidental thereto.