

Child Maintenance Enforcement

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Gingerbread Single Parent Helpline

If your court order hasn't been in place for a year you can either enforce the payment of child maintenance through the court, or you can wait until your order has been in place for a year and then apply to the Child Maintenance Service.

To enforce payment through the court you should contact the court where the order was made. You can find contact details for individual courts [here](#).

Enforcing payment through the court can incur additional costs. For more information contact your local court.

Our factsheet [Using the Child Maintenance Service](#) has more information on how to apply to the Child Maintenance Service. You can also visit the [Child Maintenance Options website](#).

1. 'here' - <https://courtribunalfinder.service.gov.uk/search/>
2. 'Using the Child Maintenance Service' - <http://goo.gl/dZObWL>
3. 'Child Maintenance Options website' - <http://www.cmoptions.org/>