

DWP Central Freedom of Information Team

e-mail: freedom-of-information-request@dwpgsi.gov.uk

Our Ref: 1463

15 April 2014

Dear Mr Stones,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (Fol) request received on 31/03/14. You asked:

If your on ESA (WRAG) thats been awarded for 24 month, and only now get 'National Insurance credits' because you have gone past the 12 months payments on contribution based, can the credits only be sanctioned if that is all you get?

National Insurance credits only cannot be sanctioned. Award of National Insurance Credits will cease if it is determined that a claimant does not have Limited Capability for Work or they cease to claim ESA.

If you have any queries about this letter please contact me quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

DWP Central Fol Team

Your right to complain under the Freedom of Information Act

If you are not happy with this response you may request an internal review by e-mailing freedom-of-information-request@dwpgsi.gov.uk or by writing to DWP, Central Fol Team, Caxton House, Tothill Street, SW1H 9NA. Any review request should be submitted within two months of the date of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office for a decision. Generally the Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have

exhausted our own complaints procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF
www.ico.org.uk/Global/contact_us or telephone 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745