

# Tower Hamlets Arts and Music Education Service

## Remission Policy

To be considered exempt from THAMES charges you must be in receipt of either:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods) see note below
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided they are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income of £16,190 or less
- Working Tax Credit 'run-on' - the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

**In order to qualify for remission we will require written evidence of the benefit which you receive. Evidence must be provided on an annual basis.**

*Note - Protection is in place for existing students who were first approved for remissions up until August 2019, even if they no longer meet the new price cap. These children will remain entitled to remissions until Universal Credit is fully rolled out nationally.*

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