

## **Information about sick deduction, doctor's certificate and care of child (vab)**

### **Qualifying day (Karensavdrag)**

The government has decided to temporarily suspend the deduction from sick pay. This means that you can apply for a retroactive reimbursement for deductions that your employer has made from your sick pay from the 11th March 2020.

If you are employed your reimbursement will be 700 SEK before taxes. You will receive the money within 5 working days.

You apply for the reimbursement on [www.fk.se](http://www.fk.se) and login on My Pages (Mina sidor). If you needed please turn to Helena for assistance.

### **Doctor's certificate**

The Swedish Government has decided that a doctor's certificate is no longer mandatory during the first two weeks you are absent from work due to illness. This is applicable from the 13th of March.

However, the Swedish Social Insurance Office has decided that during an interim period, sick pay can be paid until day 21 in the majority of cases, even if a medical certificate is not available. In order to make a final decision, the Social Insurance Office may request a doctor's certificate at a later date. Anyone affected by this will be informed in due course.

### **Care of child (vab)**

If your child is ill or is a disease carrier, you may receive care of a sick child (vab) if you need to be at home to care for your child.

You may also receive compensation if there is a specific suspicion that your child is spreading infection. It may for example be a doctor or a nurse who has assessed this.

You are not eligible for care of a sick child (vab) if you keep your child at home to reduce the risk of your child being infected by others.

The government has proposed temporary legislation that is applicable if your child's school or preschool closes. You will get approximately 90% of the money you receive when you stay at home if your child is ill. The temporary rules will apply from the 25 April and to the end of September 2020.

You will receive vab if the principal decides that your child's preschool / school should be closed. It concerns

- on the recommendation of an infection control physician or the Public Health Authority or
- when the business is in a risk area that the Public Health Authority has blocked or
- when the business cannot be run due to the large part of the staff being ill.

### **More information**

Find more information from Försäkringskassan [here](#).