

## Working Aged Pensioners

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## Amanda,

I sent the following on your contact form only to have it referred to the DSS who responded with a two page letter telling me what I already know and not addressing the situation, refer your reference: MC24-007747, response attached.

I deduce from your response that the current Government;

- 1. Approve of Working Age Pensioners being taxed on income NOT received.
- 2. Believe that \$150 per week obtained from physical work is adequate incentive to get Pensioners back to work.
- If so may I suggest your values be reassessed along with the current Aged Pension system.

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I'm confused and appeal to all ex or current accountants to please clarify something.

Why are working pensioners paying tax on money we didn't get?

An age Pensioner that earns over \$300 p/fortnight has their pension reduced by 50 cents in the dollar. As Centrelink treat income as a couple they deduct from both pensions i.e. half each, however the tax dept view income as an individual and therefore tax the earner for half the amount already deducted.

Example:	Husband	Wife	
Maximum Pension 2023/24	\$ 21,451.70	\$ 21,451.70	
Gross income from earned work	\$ 28,822.00	\$ 0.00	
Centrelink pension paid	\$ 16,412.00	\$ 16,412.00	??
Pension Deduction	\$ 5,039.70	\$ 5,039.70	??
Taxable income	\$ 45,234.00	\$ 16,412.00	
Pension reduction should apply to Husband	\$ 10,079.40		
Correct Taxable amount	\$ 40,194.30	\$ 21,451.70	

Apologies for the gospel, I find it difficult to explain any other way. It doesn't seem like much of a difference but it's the principle of the thing, the vibe, Marbo etc.

Regards Grea

I would very much appreciate this be seriously considered to the level it warrants and not merely brushed aside with an auto fluff response.

More information www.workbonus500.com Thanking you in anticipation Regards Greg

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