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# Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic

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## Payment to an alternative recipient

An office of Labour, social affairs and family may decide to pay the childbirth allowance to an **alternative recipient instead of the beneficiary** if:

- there are reasonable doubts about whether the childbirth allowance will be used for its intended purpose;
- at the time a decision is being taken on whether claimants qualify for the childbirth allowance, any child allowance they have been granted is being paid to the municipality because they are not using it for its intended purpose;
- the beneficiary receives a hardship benefit and supplementary allowances, or is jointly assessed with someone who receives such a benefit and allowances, and the hardship benefit and supplementary allowances are paid to an alternative recipient.

The alternative recipient is the municipality in which the beneficiary permanently resides or, where justified, is another person designated by the office.