



Control check for childcare fees

Strängnäs Municipality is conducting a control check of the fees that have been paid for preschool, family daycare, educational care and leisure-time centres. The information you have provided to the Municipality will be compared against your family's taxable annual income according to information provided by the Swedish Tax Agency.

It is a matter of fairness that families are treated equally and pay the fee that corresponds to the applicable fee level. It is equally as important for us to refund excess payments as it is to demand extra payments. Fee control checks are conducted after a delay of two years, because the information provided by the Swedish Tax Agency is not available before then.

You have a responsibility to provide correct information to the Municipality about your income and family situation in order to ensure that your household pays the correct fees. If the control check reveals that your family has paid the incorrect childcare fee, you will either receive a refund or have to make an additional corrective payment.

Most parents/guardians have paid the correct fee, and will not be affected by this.

Why are you conducting this control check?

Everybody must pay the correct childcare fee. This is important as a matter of fairness.

Who has decided that the control check shall be conducted?

The politicians in the Childcare and Education Committee. The official decision is known as BUN/2020:538.

These fees were paid two years ago – why has it taken such a long time?

The information is only made available by the Swedish Tax Agency after two years. Self-declarations for tax are submitted for the previous calendar year, and it then takes another year for the information to enter the public domain.

Will everybody be sent an invoice?

No. Only those who will have to make an additional corrective payment will receive an invoice.

When will I receive my invoice?

Invoices will be issued in different stages, between October and December 2021.

I am unable to pay my invoice in time. Who should I contact?



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You can send an email to avgiftskontroll@strangnas.se. You will then be contacted by the department for childcare or for finance.

This invoice can't be right. How do I contest it?

If you wish to contest an invoice, you must do so in writing. Send an email to avgiftskontroll@strangnas.se, or send a letter to:
Avgiftskontroll, Utbildningskontoret, Nygatan 10, 645 80 Strängnäs

Attach any documentation that is relevant, such as salary specifications. We will then investigate, and send a response to you.

Will you be sending invoices or refunds even for small amounts?

No. We have set a limit for differences of up to SEK 50 per month, which amounts to SEK 600 per year. This means that if you paid up to SEK 600 too much or too little in 2019, nothing will happen.

What should I do if I do not agree with the information on the invoice specification?

You can order a more detailed specification if you think that the information on the invoice is not correct. Email your request to avgiftskontroll@strangnas.se, and we will send you the more detailed specification.

How quickly must I pay if the fees I paid were not enough?

The invoice must be paid within 30 days.

Can I receive a refund if I paid too much in fees?

Certain households have had an excessive income registered in our system. Those people will have the money paid back to them. This is expected to take place during the autumn, or perhaps in early 2022.

How quickly can I get my money back if I paid too much?

If your household has paid too much, the Municipality expects to refund the difference during autumn 2021, or perhaps in early 2022.

Aren't the details about my income updated automatically?

No. Information about your income is not updated automatically. Parents/guardians have a responsibility to provide correct information about their income and family situation to ensure that the household pays the correct fees for municipal childcare. (Family situation = people living in the same household. Married/cohabiting partners, regardless of whether or not they are both parents of the child.)

How is the correct fee calculated?



The control check involves the total annual income, as registered with the Swedish Tax Agency, being divided by 12. This provides the Municipality with the average monthly income. This is then compared against the income details that you submitted and that were registered with Strängnäs Municipality.

Which income is included when calculating the childcare fee?

The income that forms the basis of the fee to be paid comprises:

- Salary and other compensation stemming from employment
- Parental benefit/sickness benefit/sickness compensation
- Unemployment compensation/KAS/activity compensation
- Education allowance concerning labour market training
- Taxable pension benefits (excluding child pensions)
- Family benefit for conscripts (for military service)
- Care of foster child (taxable part)
- Childcare allowance for disabled child (taxable part)
- Remuneration (benefits in kind)
- Taxable annuity
- Other income

How do I register the correct income so that it will be right next year?

Information about how to register the correct income is available on the page about [fees and rules](#).

How have you informed people?

Everyone who received municipal childcare in 2019 has been sent an information letter via their digital mailbox. For those people who do not have a digital mailbox, the information has been sent to their registered residential address.