

Guardianship, approved custodianship, maintenance

Are you a single mother or father and do you have questions on child maintenance, on the Law on Advance Maintenance Payments, on joint custody or on the recognition or determination of paternity? The City of Mannheim Youth Welfare Office is happy to advise and support you.

- The Youth Welfare Office can counsel the parent with whom the child is living (whether the parents were married when the child was born or not is of no consequence) on the claims to which the child is entitled, and support the parent in the assertion of these claims. Should this possibility prove insufficient, a guardianship can be introduced for the determination of paternity and/or the maintenance for the child.
- The Youth Welfare Office supports mothers who are not married to the father of their child in the determination of their own claim for maintenance towards the father of the child.
- The Youth Welfare Office will authenticate declarations of paternity recognition, maintenance or mutual custody free of charge.
- The Youth Welfare Office assists young people of legal age until their 21st year of life in the assertion of maintenance claims towards their parents or one parent.
- Single mothers/fathers can apply for benefits from the advance maintenance fund of the Youth Welfare Office in accordance with the Law on Advance Maintenance Payments until the children are 12 years of age.
- Approved custodianship act for children for whom the parents provide no or only limited parental care, or whose parents have died.

Please arrange an appointment with the department contacts.

Further information: