



# Remuneration to Members of the Folketing

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## REMUNERATION TO MEMBERS OF THE FOLKETING

Amount in DKK (EUR),  
as of October 1st 2009

	Per month	Per year
Basic remuneration	48.877 (6.551)	586.525 (78.613)
Weighting I	4.622 (620)	55.466 (7.434)
Weighting II	6.163 (826)	73.953 (9.912)
Reimbursement of housing costs	7.725 (1.035)	92.695 (12.424)

Members of the Folketing are remunerated in accordance with section 108 of the Danish Parliamentary Election Act. Remuneration comprises a basic remuneration, which corresponds to the salary of a government official in salary bracket 38, and a tax-free weighting. There is also a reimbursement for housing costs, etc. All Members are obliged to receive the basic remuneration and weighting.

**Weighting I** is paid to Members resident in Denmark.

**Weighting II** is paid to Members elected in Greenland and the Faroe Islands.

**Reimbursement of housing costs** is paid to Members with permanent supplementary residences in the Copenhagen area, if transport time between the residence and the Folketing justifies this. Maximum reimbursement comprises DKK 92.695 (EUR 12.424) annually, of which up to DKK 66.210 (EUR 8.874) can be reimbursed on presentation of documentation for rent, heating, water, electricity, and gas.

**Reimbursement for overnight hotel accommodation** can be paid to a specified extent to Members who do not receive reimbursement for housing costs

in connection with meetings which constitute part of their work in the Folketing.

The President of the Folketing receives remuneration in accordance with the same rules that apply to remuneration to the Prime Minister. The President of the Folketing is also entitled to severance pay and a pension in accordance with the same rules that apply to the Prime Minister.

### Supplementary remuneration

An ordinary Member of the Folketing who leaves the Folketing due to a general election or to sickness receives supplementary remuneration on leaving. This corresponds to the basic remuneration for 12-24 months, depending on the duration of membership. Supplementary remuneration is paid in full up to and including the twelfth month. From the thirteenth month any income from employment and other income, as well as severance pay and pension, etc., will be set off.

### Pensions from the Folketing

In accordance with section 110 of the Danish Parliamentary Election Act a Member of the Folketing is entitled to a private pension when he or she has been a Member of the Folketing for at least one year during one or more periods.

The pension is paid from the age of 60 years, but not so long as the person in question is in receipt of the basic remuneration or supplementary remuneration.

The highest pension is payable after 20 years' membership and, for Members who retired as of January 1st 2000 or later, comprises DKK 28.123 (EUR 3.662) per month, but for those Members under 65 years of age, comprises DKK 31.356 (EUR 4.100) per month including „under 65 years of age supplement“.

Source: Folketingets Løn- og økonomikontor (The Folketing's Salary and Economic Affairs Office), October 2009