



ARDEE CREDIT UNION



CHANGE IN METHOD OF LOAN INTEREST CALCULATION

The Board of Directors of Ardee Credit Union has decided to change the method by which interest is charged on loans.

As and from 6th October 2007 interest charged on loan balances will be calculated on a daily basis as opposed to the current system of weekly calculation.

The change is being made as it is seen as being more transparent, equitable and in the best interest of members. The change has been approved by the Irish League of Credit Unions *in consultation with the Financial Regulator.*

As a result of the change there may in some circumstances be a small saving in the amount of interest paid over the term of the loan. It will never result in interest being increased.

What will this mean to you The Member?

You may still continue to repay your loan as normal - weekly, fortnightly, monthly or other.

Interest due will be calculated and updated on your account on a daily basis.

Members who pay consistently on the same day every week, fortnight, etc will not notice any difference. Those who make payments on various days each week, fortnight etc. will notice that their interest will be different depending on the number of days since they previously paid.

Interest will still be charged only on the reducing balance for all borrowers.

Our core value of providing low cost loans and treating all members in a fair and equitable manner continues and is strengthened by the change.

- Interest continues to be charged on the reducing loan balance.
- No penalty interest or other charges are applied for late or missed payments.
- Interest is not charged on any unpaid interest
- We are flexible and understanding in times of difficulty.
- Our interest rate does not depend on the amount you borrow. We have one low interest rate for all loans. with special reduced rates for Student Loans and Community Development Loans



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Why borrow from us?*It makes sense that's why!*

Don't fall into the credit card trap....

- Have you looked at the APR rate of interest on your credit card?
- Have you ever asked what rate of interest you are being charged on a hire purchase agreement or other credit agreements?
- Do you know what rate of interest is being charged by licensed moneylenders and shops etc. providing in store credit?
They can legally charge up to 188%, many well known companies charge interest between 21% and 35%.
- Are you thinking of or being encouraged to refinance your current loans and take out a new or increased mortgage on your house? Ask yourself does it make sense to borrow for your car or holiday over 20, 25 or even 30 years..... how much will you pay in the long run?

Save yourself time and money by borrowing from us.....

Our interest - is You – The Member

Borrowing from us means:

- Lower Interest rates – 7.99% before any rebate. Last year the rebate was 5% bringing the net rate down to 7.6%.
- Straightforward loan application procedure.
- Fast loan approval process.
- Choice of repayment options to suit your circumstances.
- No upfront repayments.
- No fees or charges
- Free loan protection insurance on every loan, if the borrower dies the loan is cleared – subject to age and health restrictions.

If you have any queries in relation to any of the above just contact the office and our friendly staff will be available to help.

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