



COUNCIL TAX APPLICATION FOR DISCOUNT CARING FOR DISABLED PERSONS (PROVIDING RESIDENTIAL CARE AND SUPPORT)

Date of issue:

Account no:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE ACT 1992, SCHEDULE 1 PARAGRAPH 9 & THE COUNCIL TAX (ADDITIONAL PROVISION OF DISCOUNT DISREGARDS) ORDER 1992 (S.I. 552)

(Please read enclosed Guidance Notes before completing this form)

NAME OF LIABLE PERSON: NAME OF DISABLED PERSON: (If not liable person) TEL NO:-	ADDRESS: NUMBER OF ADULTS RESIDENT:- <input style="width: 40px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>
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Name of person(s) providing care (Please continue on separate sheet if necessary)	Relationship to disabled person	Average number of Hours spent per week providing care.

DOES THE DISABLED PERSON RECEIVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:- (Please tick appropriate box(es))

(1) a higher rate Attendance Allowance under section 65 of the Social Security Contributions and Benefits Act 1992.

(2) the highest rate of the Care component of a Disability Living Allowance under section 72 (4) (a) of that Act.

(3) an increase in the rate of the person's Disablement Pension under section 104 of that Act.

(4) an increase in a Constant Attendance Allowance under the proviso to article 14 of the Personal Injuries (Civilians) Scheme 1983, article 14 (1)(b) of the Naval, Military and Air Forces etc (Disablement and Death) Service Pensions Order 1983

Please make sure to enclose evidence of the above entitlements (i.e. letters etc).

DECLARATION

I declare that the above information is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

SIGNATURE:..... DATE:-.....

GUIDANCE NOTES FOR CARERS RESIDENT WITH A DISABLED PERSON

(PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING APPLICATION FORM)

The full Council Tax bill assumes that there are 2 or more adults residing in a dwelling. For Council Tax purposes certain types of people may be "disregarded" (ignored) for calculation of the amount due.

Where, after having "disregarded" one or more adults due to the discount provisions, less than 2 adults remain in the dwelling, a discount will apply as follows:-

<u>EXAMPLE - Number of adults resident in a dwelling = FOUR</u>	% Council Tax due
(1) ONE person is disregarded as qualifying person for discount purposes	100%
(2) TWO persons are disregarded as qualifying persons for discount purposes	100%
(3) THREE persons are disregarded as qualifying persons for discount purposes	75%
(4) ALL persons are disregarded as qualifying persons for discount purposes	50%

Below are some questions and answers about this category of discount which may be informative.

Q. DOES THE CARER HAVE TO RESIDE WITH THE PERSON, FOR WHOM CARE IS PROVIDED, TO QUALIFY?

A. Yes.

Q. DO I HAVE TO DECLARE MY EARNINGS?

A. No.

Q. WHY ARE THE NUMBER OF HOURS WORKED IMPORTANT?

A. The regulations restrict the granting of discount to those carers who spend at least 35 hours per week providing care.

Q. IF I AM RELATED TO THE PERSON BEING CARED FOR CAN I QUALIFY?

A. If you are a partner/spouse of the disabled person you do not qualify. If you are a parent caring for a disabled child under 18 years of age you do not qualify.

Q. HOW DO I APPLY FOR DISCOUNT?

A. Simply complete the enclosed form and return to the Revenues Services as quickly as possible.

Q. HOW LONG DOES THIS DISCOUNT APPLY?

A. As long as there are less than 2 adults residing in the property (after applying any qualifying disregards).

DATA PROTECTION

Information you provide on this form may be processed and held as computer data and is subject to the Data Protection Act 1984.

These details may be used within the Revenues Services (for Council Tax or Benefits purposes).

You are under no obligation to provide this information but if you decline to do so it will be assumed that no discount applies.

No information will be divulged to outside sources such as mail order firms for example.

CHANGES IN CIRCUMSTANCES

Should any circumstances change that may effect entitlement to discount you must inform the Revenues Services immediately.

FURTHER INFORMATION

If you have any queries regarding this form or any other Council Tax matters please contact the Revenues Services.
TEL NO: MALTON (01653) 600666 ask for REVENUES or Fax: 01653 699889.