

COUNCIL TAX – CARERS DISREGARD

Please fill in this form and return it to: Rother District Council, Post Handling Service, P.O Box 10665, Nottingham, NG6 6DZ
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E-mail: revenuesandbenefits@rother.gov.uk
Web: www.rother.gov.uk/counciltax



A disregard will not be awarded without evidence of qualifying benefits/allowances or proof of earnings from the carer's employer.

	Council Tax account number:
	Address form relates to (if different):

Please read the information over the page before you fill in your application

Your daytime telephone number

Carer's declaration

Name of person providing care

I am a carer (as defined over the page) caring for

Relationship of above (See section B overleaf)

Employer of carer (See section A overleaf)

Date carer occupied the property

Signature

If the applicant and the carer are not the same person, the carer must sign above.

Full names of all persons over 18 residing in the property:

I enclose evidence of the relevant qualifying allowance or proof of earnings for the carer. See overleaf for more information.

Your signature

Date

Any changes in circumstances should be notified to the council within 21 days.

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When is a discount possible?

Council Tax is normally charged on the assumption that two or more people aged 18 or over live in a property. If there is only one adult living there, they can apply for a single person's discount of 25%. However, if anyone aged 18 or over is a carer and without them there is only one adult living in the property, you may apply for the same 25% discount.

Can I be disregarded?

You can be disregarded as long as you meet all of the conditions in EITHER **Section A** or **Section B**.

Section A – Please supply evidence with your application of proof of earnings from your employer

1. The care is provided on behalf of:
 - a) a Local Authority
 - b) the Common Council of the City of London
 - c) the Council of the Isles of Scilly
 - d) the Crown
 - e) a Charitable organisation
2. The carer must be employed by the person receiving the care and have been introduced by one of the organisations shown at 1(a) to (e) above.
3. The carer must be employed for at least 24 hours a week.
4. The carer must not receive more than £44 remuneration per week.
5. The carer must reside in premises provided by one of the organisations at a) to e) above, or by the employer.

Section B – Please supply evidence with your application that the person cared for is receiving the relevant benefit/allowance.

1. The care is being provided to a person who is receipt of:
 - a) higher rate of attendance allowance;
 - b) the highest rate of the care component of a disability living allowance up to 08.04.13 **or** the middle rate of the care component of disability living allowance from 08.04.13 **or** the standard or enhanced rate of the daily living component of personal independence payment
 - c) an increase in the rate of your disablement pension by the highest amount of attendance allowance;
 - d) an increase in the rate of a disablement pension **or**
 - e) an increase in a constant attendance allowance.
2. The carer must be resident in the same dwelling as the person receiving care.
3. The care must be provided for at least 35 hours per week (per carer).
4. The carer must not be the spouse, or partner of the person receiving care, nor the parent if the person receiving care is below the age of 18

This information can be made available in large print, Braille, audio/CD or in another language upon request.

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