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LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE ACT 1992 – COUNCIL TAX
APPLICATION FOR REDUCTION FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES

With effect from the 1st April 2000, the new regulations provide for disabled relief in respect of Band A properties, previously this relief was restricted to Band B to H only.

A. Applicant (only people who are liable to pay the Council Tax can apply for a reduction).

Name:

Address:

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Council Tax Account Number:.....

Daytime Telephone Number:.....

B. Disabled Person (the disabled person must be living in the dwelling for which the reduction is being sought).

Name:

Address:

C. Grounds for Application: Is there

(i) a room other than a bathroom, kitchen, or toilet which is used mainly by the person with the disability? (e.g. you might get a reduction if you have an extension or extra room used for storing dialysis equipment or wheelchairs or a bedroom on the ground floor in a dwelling with two or more floors).

YES/NO

(ii) a second bathroom or second kitchen required for meeting the needs of the disabled person?

YES/NO

(iii) extra space inside the dwelling to allow for the use of a wheelchair? YES/NO

Declaration:

The information given in this form is correct. I undertake to notify you immediately if I believe that I am no longer eligible for a reduction granted in respect of this application.

Signature of applicant:

Date:

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NOTES

In assessing this application the council will need to be satisfied :-

- (a) that there is a disabled resident who needs either space for a wheelchair which is used inside the home, or an additional kitchen or additional bathroom or other room;
and
- (b) that the space or room is essential or of major importance to the well being of the disabled resident because of the nature and extent of his/her disability.

It will help in the consideration of this application if the applicant can supply a note from a doctor, or other qualified professional such as an occupational therapist or social worker, confirming that the disabled resident needs the extra space or room stated in section C.

If for any reason you are unable to obtain such confirmation easily, then do not delay your application if you believe you are eligible for a reduction. However, we may subsequently need to ask for evidence in support of your application.

If your home is eligible, your bill be reduced to that of a property in the valuation band immediately below the band shown on the valuation list. If your band is in Band A, the charge will be reduced the equivalent of 5/9 of the Council Tax Band D.

We are committed to ensuring that no member of the public or employee is treated less favourably than any other on grounds, sexual orientation, race, colour, religion, ethnic origin, age, disability or any other condition that cannot be justified during our contact with you.