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## Council Tax Discount Application - People who are Carers 8

Your postal address:	Address of property if different to postal address:
	Council Tax Account Number (if known):

You have indicated that there is someone who normally lives in your home who should not be counted for Council Tax purposes. For a discount to be considered you must provide the information below, sign the declaration and return this form to the Council Tax Office.

1. Please give the number of people aged 18 years and over who normally live in your home including anyone who may qualify for a discount.

**Please read the attached guidance notes before you fill in the rest of this form.**

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| 2. Does the Carer meet the conditions listed in Section 8a of the attached notes ? | Yes | <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> |
|  | No  | <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> |
| 3. Does the Carer meet the conditions listed in Section 8b of the attached notes ? | Yes | <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> |
|  | No  | <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> |

4. If you have answered YES to questions 2 or 3 above, please supply the following details:

Carer's Full Name:

Name and Address of Employer:

5. I declare that the information I have given is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Name:	Signature:	Date:
Daytime telephone number:		

The information you give will only be used for the purposes of Revenues & Benefits administration.

The Council Tax Office may need to check the information given.

***You must tell the Council Tax section of all changes which may affect your right to a discount.***

**Return to: Council Tax and Benefits Office, 44 York Street, Twickenham, TW1 3BZ.**

## Your Council Tax bill

Council Tax is based on 2 or more people aged 18 or over living in your home. If you are the only person living in your home, we can reduce your bill by a quarter. If nobody lives in your home, we may be able to reduce your bill.

Some people are not counted as living in your home when we work out your Council Tax bill. These people are **disregarded**. So even if there are two or more people living in your home, if some or all of you are disregarded we may be able to reduce your bill.

## How to apply for a discount

*People are not automatically disregarded.*

If you think that somebody in your home should be disregarded, please contact us for an application form. You will need to fill in a separate application form for each person.

If you qualify for a discount we will send you an amended bill. If we cannot reduce your bill we will write to you telling you why we have not been able to do so.

*Disregard type 8*

## Care Workers

We do not count people who are providing care or support to other people. There are two types of carers that we do not count.

Type 8A

Carers who:

- provide care or support on behalf of a public authority or Charity or have been introduced by a public authority or Charity; **and**
- are employed to provide care or support for at least 24 hours a week; **and**
- are paid no more than £44 per week for caring duties; **and**
- are living at the home where the care is given, or at a home provided by the authority or Charity

Type 8B

Carers who:

- provide care for a person who is entitled to:
  - higher rate attendance allowance; **or**
  - the highest rate of care component of a disability living allowance; **or**
  - an increased rate of disablement pension; **or**
  - an increased rate of constant attendance allowance;
- and** the carer must be:
  - living in the same home as the person they are caring for; **and**
  - providing care for at least an average of 35 hours per week; **and**
  - **they are not the husband, wife or partner of the person being cared for; and**
  - **they are not the parent of the person being cared for, if the person being cared for is under 18 years old.**

If you have left your home empty to provide or receive care you may not need to pay anything. There is more information in the Exemption information leaflet. You can get a copy from any of our offices.