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COUNCIL TAX ACCOUNT NUMBER		DATE	
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APPLICATION FOR DISABLED PERSON'S RELIEF

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PERSON LIABLE TO PAY THE COUNCIL TAX

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY FOR WHICH DISCOUNT IS BEING CLAIMED

DETAILS OF THE DISABLED PERSON (REMEMBER THEY MUST BE RESIDING AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS)

TITLE		FORENAME		SURNAME	
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Please briefly describe the nature of the disability and the date you wish to claim a reduction

DATE:

DISABILITY:

Which of the following apply to the property.

PLEASE TICK

- A. A room, other than a kitchen, bathroom, or toilet, which is predominantly used by and required to meet the needs of a person with disabilities, whether the room is used for therapy or not.
- B. An additional bathroom or kitchen which is used by this person and is required to meet their needs.
- C. This person needs to use a wheelchair within the dwelling, and sufficient floor space is required to allow this.

YES / NO

YES / NO

YES / NO

From what date have the adaptations above been made to the property?

DATE:

From what date do you wish to claim the discount from?

DATE:

Details of the person making the claim (liable taxpayer) if different from the disabled resident

SURNAME		TITLE	
FORENAMES			
ADDRESS (if different from above)		Post code	

Signature and declaration of council tax payer

I declare that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understanding that the Council may make any enquiries to verify this claim.

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SIGNATURE	DATE	DAY TIME PHONE NO.

It may help if you could give a telephone where you may be contacted. Also if you can include a note from a doctor, or another qualified person, such as a social worker, confirming the disabled person's needs. If this cannot be obtained do not worry, simply return the complete form to the address shown above. It may be necessary to visit the property but this will be arranged with you.

EXPLANATORY NOTES ~ DISABLED RELIEF

Who Can Apply

The person liable to pay the Council Tax for a dwelling in which a disabled person resides.

A Disabled Person

Any person who is substantially and permanently disabled (whether by illness, injury, congenital deformity or otherwise).

Property Requirements

At least one of the three property requirements listed overleaf in question 3 must be present in the dwelling and be of major importance to the wellbeing of the disabled person. These are the only features which may be taken into consideration. Please note that garages are not included, a room need not have been specially built but could be an existing room used specifically for the disabled person for example to house dialysis equipment.

How the relief will be calculated

If the relief is given, the property will be taxed as if it were in the next lowest valuation band; ie a band E dwelling would be taxed as though it were in band D. The band shown in the actual Valuation List will however not be changed. If a dwelling is in band A, from the 1st April 2000 the reduction will be equivalent to 1/9th of band D amount.

Appeals

If the Council decides not to award an exemption an appeal may be made to a Valuation Tribunal.

Regulations

The official regulations governing 'Disabled Persons' Relief may be found in various legislation made by Parliament or issued by the Secretary of State.