Council Tax Support Claim Form

Don't delay - claim today!



Please return this form as quickly as possible, even if you do not have everything we ask for, to make sure that you do not lose any reduction.

You can send the rest to us later.

Filling in the form

- Answer 'Yes' or 'No' questions by ticking the relevant box. If you are picking an answer from a list of
 answers, put a tick in the relevant box. If you do not answer a question we will have to send the form
 back, and this will delay the claim.
- If someone else fills in the form for you, there is a declaration for them to sign in Part 14. You must sign Part 14 as well.
- Your award will normally start from the Monday after we receive the form. In the form, we ask for proof
 of your income and capital. If you don't yet have all the proof we need, send the form in now and send
 the proof later.
 - You have one month from the date we receive the form to send in the proof.
- You must tell us immediately if your circumstances change. See page 2 for a list of changes that may affect your claim.

How to contact us in writing:

- Benefit Section, Dacorum Borough Council, The Forum, Marlowes, Hemel Hempstead, Herts, HP1 1DN
- Monday to Thursday 8.45am 5.15pm, Friday 8.45am 4.45pm. Phone:01442 228000 and ask for "Benefits"

Email: benefits@dacorum.gov.uk

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Notes for filling in the claim form

About this form

This Council Tax Support claim form has been specially designed to be easy to fill in. It is long, but we have to ask a lot of questions to make sure that everyone who claims gets the right amount of reduction. You may not have to fill in all parts of the form, but you must fill in any part that is relevant to you. Every part starts with a question to help you decide if you need to fill in that part.

Second Adult Rebate

Second Adult Rebate is Council Tax Support you can get if you are a pensioner, share your home with someone who is not your partner, is on a low income, is 18 or over, and does not pay you rent. If you are claiming Second Adult Rebate, only fill in Parts 1, 3, 12, 13 and 14.

Evidence

We need to see evidence of some of the things you tell us about. The checklist at the end of the form will help you. If you are not sure if we need to see evidence of something, get in touch with us. We will tell you what we need to see. We cannot award your reduction until we have seen the evidence we have asked for.

How we collect and use information

We will use the information you give in this form, and in any supporting evidence you send us, to process your claim for Council Tax Support.

We may pass the information to other agencies or organisations such as the Department for Work and Pensions and HM Revenue and Customs, as allowed by law. We may check information you have provided, or information about you that someone else has provided, with other information we hold. We may also get information about you from certain third parties, or give them information, to:

- · make sure the information is accurate; and
- · prevent or detect crime; and
- protect public funds.

These third parties include government departments, local authorities and private-sector companies such as banks and organisations that may lend you money.

We will not give information about you to anyone else, or use information about you for other purposes, unless the law allows us to.

The Council is the data controller for the purposes of General Data Protection Regulations/ UK Data Protection Bill. If you want to know more about what information we have about you, or the way we use it, please visit www.dacorum.gov.uk/privacypolicies

Changes you must tell us about Tell the Council's Benefit Department straight away if;

- any of your children leave school or leave home; or
- anyone moves in or out of your home (including lodgers, joint tenants and subtenants); or
- · your income or the income of anyone living with you, including benefits, changes; or
- · your capital, savings or investments change; or
- you or anyone living with you becomes a student; goes on a Youth Training Scheme; goes into hospital or a nursing home; goes into prison; or gets, changes or leaves a job; or
- you or your partner are going to be away from home for more than a month; or
- · you receive any decision from the Home Office; or
- · anything you have told us about changes; or
- · you move house; or
- you or any one in your household receives or ceases to receive DLA or PIP.

If you don't tell us about these changes, you may lose a reduction you are entitled to or you may receive too much reduction and have to pay the Council Tax back.

You must make sure that you tell us about these changes. Don't rely on someone else to pass on the message. It is an offence not to tell us about any change of circumstance that affects your award. We may take court action against you. If we pay you too much support, in most cases, you will have to pay it back.

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Part 1 About you and your partner

Do you have a partner who normally lives with you? A partner means a person you are married to or have a civil partnership with, or a person you live with as if you were their husband, wife or civil partner. (A civil partnership is a formal arrangement that gives same sex partners the same legal status as a married couple.) Even if your partner only comes home at	If you have a partner, you must answer all t	the questions about
weekends, or part of the week, you must include them	them, as well as yourself. You	Your partner
Surname or family name		
First name(s)		
Any other surnames or family names you have used, such as before marriage or in a previous marriage		
Title (Mr, Mrs, Ms and so on)		
Address Do not tell us your partner's address if it is the same as yours.		
	Postcode	Postcode
What date did you move in to this address? (first spent the night there)	1 1	1 1
Your daytime phone number You do not have to tell us this, but it may help us to deal with your claim more quickly.		
What is this number? Please tick.	Home Work Mobile Textphone	Home Work Mobile Textphone
E-mail address We want to deal with your claim as quickly as we can and if we have your e-mail address we may contact you this way.		
Date of birth	1 1	1 1
National Insurance number You can find this on payslips or letters from Department of Works and Pensions or the	Letters Numbers Letter If you do not have a National	Letters Numbers Letter If your partner does not have a
tax office.	Insurance number, or cannot find it, tick this box.	National Insurance number, or cannot find it, tick this box.

We must see evidence of you and your partner's identity and National Insurance number. Read the checklist in part 15.

Are you living away from	No					
home at the moment?	Yes Tell us why you are not li	iving at home.				
	When did you last live at home? V	When do you expect to go back home?				
	1 1	1 1				
	Tell us the address where you are liv	ing at the moment.				
		Postcode				
	If your home has been sublet, tell us	s who lives there now.				
	You	Your partner				
Have you or your partner claimed Council Tax Support,	No	No .				
Housing Benefit or Council Tax Benefit before?	Yes When did you claim?	Yes When did they claim?				
Tax beliefft before:	1 1	1 1				
	Which council did you claim from?	Which council did they claim from?				
	What name did you claim in?	What name did they claim in?				
	What address did you aloim for?	What address did they claim for?				
	What address did you claim for?	what address did they claim for:				
	2					
	Postcode	Postcode				
If you have moved home in the last 12 months, tell us						
your last address.						
	Postcode	Postcode				
Were you the home owner,	Tostcode	Tostcouc				
a private tenant, a council tenant or a boarder at this						
address?						
Have you or your partner come to live in England,	🗖	🗖				
Northern Ireland, Scotland,	No	No				
Wales, the Republic of Ireland, the Channel Islands or the Isle	Yes We will write to you about this.	Yes We will write to you about this.				
of Man in the last 2 years?						
What is your nationality?						
If your nationality is not						
British, on what date did you settle in the UK (please						
don't include times when you' been on holiday outside of the						
The UK is England, Northern Ire Scotland and Wales.						
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	You	Your partner
Are you or your partner in hospital at the moment?	No	No .
nospital at the moment:	Yes When did you go in?	Yes When did they go in?
	1 1	1 1
	When will you come out (if you know this)?	When will they come out (if they know this)?
	1 1	1 1
Do you or your partner get Disability Living Allowance?	No Yes	No Yes
Do you or your partner get Personal Independence Payment?	No Yes	No Yes
Do you or your partner get Attendance Allowance?	No Yes	No Yes
Does anyone get Carer's Allowance for looking after you or your partner? (If a	No Yes nyone claims Carer's Allowance for looking after	No Yes you in the future please let us know)
Have you or your partner ever claimed Carer's Allowance? Still tick 'Yes' if you claimed but were not paid any money.	No Yes	No Yes
Do you or your partner have a vehicle from a mobility scheme?	No Yes	No Yes
Are you or your partner a	No Yes	No Yes
student?	Do you study full time or part time?	Do they study full time or part time?
	Full time Part time	Full time Part time
Tick if you or your partner are:		
• an apprentice		
• on youth training		
in legal custodyseverely mentally impaired		
• registered blind		
• long-term sick or disabled		
Is anyone in the household pregnant? If 'Yes', who?	No Yes Due Date	

Are there any children in your household? By children we mean under 16 or aged 16 to 20 and in full-time education or approved training.	No Yes	Go to Part 3. If there are more than 4 children, send us the details in an email.

	First child	Second child	Third child	Fourth child
Surname or family name				
First name(s)				
Date of birth	1 1	1 1	1 1	1 1
What is the child's sex?				
The child's relationship to you				
The child's relationship to your partner Usual address if different from yours				
Child Benefit number				
Who gets the Child Benefit for them?				
Is the child registered blind?	No Yes	No Yes	No Yes	No Yes
Does the child get Disability Living Allowance?	No Yes	No Yes	No Yes	No Yes
Does this child get Personal Independent Payment?	No Yes	No Yes	No Yes	No Yes
Do you pay a registered childminder, nursery or after-school club any childminding costs for this child?	No Yes If yes, please tell us the name and registration number of the childcare provider. How much do you pay a week?	Yes If yes, please tell us the name and registration number of the childcare provider. How much do you pay a week?	No Yes If yes, please tell us the name and registration number of the childcare provider. How much do you pay a week? £	No Yes If yes, please tell us the name and registration number of the childcare provider. How much do you pay a week? £

Are any of the people who live with you married to each other, civil partners of each other, or living together as if they are married or civil partners?

Yes Tell us their names.

is the partner of

is the partner of

Part 4 About Universal Credit, Income Support, Jobseeker's Allowance, Pension Credit and Employment and Support Allowance

		Y	'ou			Your	partner
Are you or your partner gettir Universal Credit,Income Sup Jobseeker's Allowance, Pens Credit or Employment and Support Allowance at the moment?	port,		d you start t? /		No Ye		I they start t?
Are you or your partner still waiting to hear about a claim for Universal Credit, Income Support, Jobseeker's Allowar Pension Credit or Employmer and Support Allowance?		\equiv	d you claim? /		No Ye	\equiv	I they claim?
Part 5 About be	nefit	s, tax cred	dits and	sta	te pe	ensions	
Are you or your partner getting below, or are you waiting to he claimed? Read the list of benefi any that you or your partner are	ar abou ts and c	t benefits or cred redits below and t	lits you have ell us about		No Ye		out the benefits
Pensions	Yes	How much do you get?			Yes	How much do they get?	
State Retirement Pension		£				£	
Pension Credit (Savings Credit)		£				£	
Widow's Allowance or Bereavement Allowance		£				£	
Widowed Parent's Allowance or Widow's Pension		£				£	
War Widow's or War Dependant's Pension		£				£	
War Disablement Pension		£				£	
Industrial Injury/Disablement Pension		£				£	
Exceptionally Severe Disablement Allowance		£				£	
Benefits and Allowances		<u> </u>	I	- 1			
Contribution-based Job Seeker's Allowance		£				£	
Child Tax Credit		£				£	
Working Tax Credit		£				£	
Employment Training Allowance		£				£	
Child Benefit		£				£	
Incapacity Benefit		£				£	
Employment and Support Allowance - contribution based		£				£	
Attendance Allowance		£				£	
Disability Living Allowance: Mobility Component		£				£	

Care Component

Part 5 About benefits, tax credits and state pensions

		You			Yo	ur partner	
Personal Independence Payment		£				£	
Carer's Allowance		£				£	
Severe Disablement Allowance		£				£	
Maternity Allowance		£				£	
Fostering Allowance		£				£	
Universal Credit		£				£	
Any other benefit, pension or money from the government		£				£	
loan or overpayment for any of these benefits?	No _	- —	yes, which one?	etai	ls		
pension?							
Part 6 Income of	her	than earni	ngs				
Do you or your partner have any make some money coming in) that about on this form? You do not need to tell us about partner but the Eileen Trust or the	t you hav	ve not already tolo	d us Yes	,	o to Pa	e the questions as Your pai How much	
Private Pension 1 paid by	ics	do you get?	is it paid?	1	103	do they get?	is it paid?
		£	, ,]		£	, ,
Private Pension 2 paid by	Date	of next increase	1 1	_	Date	of next increase	1 1
		£				£	
Please attach separate sheet ifyou h		than 2 pensions of next increase	1 1	1	Date	of next increase	1 1
Pension Protection Fund	Date			1	Date		
Payments Annuities		£		\vdash		£	
Youth Training Scheme payment or Training Credits		£				£	
Maintenance for you		£		\vdash		£	
Maintenance for your child - including CSA		£				£	
Student grant or loan		£				£	
Payments from boarders		£				£	
Weekly amount from letting or sub-letting part of a property		£				£	
Payments from a charity		£				£	
Any other income e.g. Redundancy or Loan Protection Payments (please give name)	/	£				£	

We must see evidence of any money or pension coming in before we can decide how much Support you can get. Read the checklist at Part 15 to see what you can use as evidence.

	You	Your partner
Do you or your partner work for an employer?	No Go to Part 8. Yes Answer the questions	No Go to Part 8. Yes Answer the questions
Do you work for more than one employer?	in this section. No Yes Tell us about all the employ	in this section. No Yes vers in an email.
What kind of work do you do?		
What is your employer's name and address?	Postcode	Postcode
When did you start this job?		1 1
How much do you get paid before tax and National Insurance are taken off?	£	£
How often do you get paid?	Every	Every
How are you paid? For example, in cash, by cheque or straight into a bank or building society account.		
How many hours a week do you usually work?		
Give details of any regular overtime, bonuses, commission or tips.		
Are you getting Sick Pay, Maternity Pay, Paternity Pay or Adoption Pay from your employer at the moment?	No Yes	No Yes
When did it start?	1 1	1 1
£	o How much? ow often?	No
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	You	Your partner
Are you a company director? If you answered 'Yes', you will need to provide your payslips.	No Yes	No Yes
Are you or your partner	No Go to Part 9.	No Go to Part 9.
self-employed?	Yes Answer the questions on this page. You must send us your trading accounts for If you have only recently set up the business we will need to see some other evidence of y We will write to you about this.	and do not have a full year's accounts,
What kind of work do you do?		
When did the business start?	1 1	1 1
What is the business address?		
	Postcode	Postcode
Are there any other partners in the business?	No Yes Tell us their name and address.	No Yes Tell us their name and address.
	Postcode	Postcode
How many hours a week do you usually work?		
Do you get a Business Start-up Allowance?	No Yes How much?	No Yes How much?
Start up Anowance.	£	
	How often?	How often?
	Every	Every
Do you pay into a private pension scheme?	No Yes How much?	No Yes How much?
		£
	How often?	How often?
	Every	Every

We must see evidence of your earnings before we can decide how much Support you can get. Read the checklist at Part 15 to see what you can use as evidence.

	You			rour part	ner
Do you or your partner do	No Go to Part 10.		No 🗌	Go to Part 10.	
any other work? This could be voluntary work, therapeutic work or any other	Yes Answer the que this page.	estions on	Yes	Answer the que this page.	estions on
work.					
What other work do you do?					
What is the name and					
address of the person you do					
this work for?					
	Postcode			Postcode	
When did you start this work?	1 1			1 1	
,	, ,			, ,	
How many hours a week do you usually work?					
Do you get paid for this work?	No.		No	1	
bo you get paid for this work?]	
	Yes How much?		Yes	How much?	
	£		£		
	How often?		How ofte	en?	
	Every		Every		
We must see evidence of any ea	rnings before we can dec	ide how much Sur	port vou	can get.	
Read the checklist at Part 15 to			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	. can gen	
Part 10 About bank	accounts, savings,	investments	and p	roperty	
	You			Your partn	er
Do you or your partner have any		1.1			Ci
bank accounts, savings, property	No Go to part			No	
or investments in the UK or abroad	Aliswei ali t	he questions in this	•	Yes	
This includes cash, current accourt Premium Bonds, National Savings	9		ing socie	ty, post office ac	counts,
Tiennum bonus, National Savings	certificates, stocks, silares	and property.			
Please answer these questions f	or yourself and your partn	er. Please include	empty an	ıd overdrawn acc	counts, whether
in one name or jointly held with			.,	Your	Partner's
	Account num	ber/name/other deta	ails	balance/value	balance/value
Do you have bank, building	No			£	£
society or post office accounts?	Yes			£	£
(including current accounts) If yes, please tell us the balance				£	£
	I			£	£
of your accounts				<u> </u>	-
of your accounts				£	£
of your accounts					
of your accounts				£	£

We may ask to see evidence of all capital, savings and investments. Read the checklist at Part 15 to see what you can use as evidence.

	Name	Number held
Do you have stocks, shares, unit trusts? If yes, list the names of investments and number of shares held.		
Do you have National No Savings Certificates? If yes, list the issue, purchase date and number of units.		
Do you have other investments, redundancy payments, premium bonds, Tessas, ISAs, SAYE, cash etc? If yes, please give details. (Please also use this space if you need to tell us more about any of the above savings.)		
Have you or your partner received any backdated benefit or deferred payments, such as State pension, which you have added to your savings?	Yes If 'Yes' please give details.	
Do you or your partner own or partly own any property or land except the home you live in, either in the UK or abroad? Tick 'Yes', even if you have a mortgage or loan for the property or land. This includes jointly owned properties.	Yes What is the address? Postcode	
How much is it worth?	£	
If you have a mortgage or loan for this, how much is left to repay?	£	
Have you or your partner No received a compensation payment relating to the Second World War?	Yes	

Who is liable for council tax at this address?						
Please tick to show if the property is let as: furnished partly furnished minimally furnished	This means completely furnished. This means some furniture, but not all. This means just two or three items.					
unfurnished	This means no furniture at all.					
Do you use your home for business purposes? Do you have a main home somewhere else? If your main home is somewhere else in the UK or abroad, tick 'Yes', even if you do not pay rent for it.	No					
Part 12 Your Coun	cil Tax Support Award					
We will write to you about your (Tax bill will be reduced and you	Council Tax Support award. If you are awarded Council Tax Support, your Council will be sent a new bill with details about the amount you have to pay.					
We may contact you occasionally about your claim. Usually, we will send you a letter, however, if you are happy to be contacted by email as well, please enter your email address below.						

Part 13 Anything else you need to tell us

Use the box below to tell us anything else you think we sl	nould know about.				
Part 14 Declaration					
Even if someone else has partly or fully filled in this for lf you have a partner, it would be helpful if they sign by Please read this declaration carefully before you sign as I understand the following:	elow to confirm t				
• If I give information that is incorrect or incomplete, ye	ou may take action	n against me	e. This may	include	court action.
• You will use the information I have provided to process in	ny claim for Counc	il Tax Suppo	rt, or to ass	sess any c	discount or
grant for Council services. You may check the information v	with other sources	as the law al	lows.		
 You may use any information I have provided for this a or may make. This includes any Discretionary Housing organisations, such as government departments and loc the government in order to combat fraud and reduce e 	Payment. You may	y give some aw allows th	information is. The cour	on to oth ncil may s	er governmen
I know I must let the Council's Benefit Section know immedirecumstances or the circumstances of anyone living with magainst me. This may include court action. I declare that this is my claim for Council Tax Support and the authorise the Council to make any necessary enquiries to che	ne, which might aff he information I ha	ect my clain	n. If I do no this form is	ot, you ma	•
Please tick the box to confirm that you have understood the declaration, and understand responsibilities to report any changes in you the Council.	your	es to			
			Date	1	1
If this form has been partly or fully filled in by someone filling in this form for the person claiming.	e who is not the p	oerson claim	ning, pleas	e tell us	why you are
As far as possible, I have confirmed with the person claim If I am making this claim on behalf of the above person, I and accept that the declaration applies to me.	-				
Name of the person who filled in the form	Signature of the	person			
Relationship to the person claiming					
-		Date		1	1

If you know or suspect someone is committing benefit fraud, you can report them direct without having to give your name or details by:

- writing to the Council
- phoning: 01442 228291 or National Hotline number 0800 854 440;
- e-mailing to FraudHotline@dacorum.gov.uk; or going on our website: www.dacorum.gov.uk

Part 15 Checklist

If you do not provide all the evidence we need, we might not be able to reduce your Council Tax. We need the same evidence for your partner, if you have one, and for any other adults living in your home.

If you cannot send the evidence we need at the moment, send the form back to us now and send the evidence later. We can start to process your claim, but we will not be able to make any award until we have all the evidence. Please tell us now in Part 13 if you cannot supply the evidence within one month.

- Evidence of identity This is usually anything that has your full name and date of birth on it
- Evidence of your National Insurance Number This could be any document that has your National Insurance Number on it
- Evidence of savings, investments and property This means all of your bank accounts, savings accounts, shares, premium bonds or other investments or property. We will need to see the last 2 months statements for any accounts.
- Evidence of earnings for all adults in the property We need to see your payslips (your last 5 if you are paid weekly, your last 3 if you are paid every 2 weeks or your last 2 if you are paid monthly). If you are self-employed, you will need to complete an additional form. Please contact us so that we can send you one.
- Evidence of other income this means money from pensions or gifts of money that people have given to you.
- Evidence of benefits, Tax Credits or Pension Credit any letters from the DWP or HMRC confirming how much you get.
- Evidence of other money you pay out this means receipts from registered child carers or financial help you give to a student.

Please now email your completed form to benefits@dacorum.gov.uk

• If you would like us to discuss your claim with someone else who is helping you, you will need to complete a third party authorisation form. Please contact us so that we can send you one.

The government has asked us to gather information about our customer's ethnic background. It's your choice whether to fill in this section. Please show which of the following groups you and your partner (if any) consider you belong to by ticking one box for you and one for your partner.

	You	tour		You	Tour
White		partner	Asian		partnei
British			Asian British		
Irish			Bangladeshi		
Other white			Indian		
			Kashmiri		
Mixed			Pakistani		
White and black Caribbean			Other Asian		
White and black African					
White and Asian					
Other mixed			Black British		
			Caribbean		
Chinese			African		
			Other black		
Other					

Anything else you want to tell us about that may affect your claim						