


What to do

If you would like to discuss having a medical adaptation carried out at your home you should contact your Community Housing Officer on 884422.



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Medical Adaptations



Who is eligible?

Eligibility Criteria

MEANS TEST

If your Community Housing Officer considers that you should pay for the full cost or contribute to your adaptation or item of equipment, you will be advised, in writing of the cost and the amount you will need to pay. Due to the large number of adaptations undertaken and the cost involved, we cannot proceed with any work until we have received payment from you.

There will be no charge for the supply and fixing of grab rails.

Any other equipment or adaptation may incur a cost to you.

Your Community Housing Officer will assess your level of contribution from the details you have already supplied on your current abatement form. If you are currently paying the fair rent for your home, you will be asked to provide up to date details of any income and savings or investments.

Two separate scales have been produced to act as guidelines – one relates to income and the other to savings. Whilst they stand separately, they can be applied jointly if you have both an income and savings. Income means income, except benefits paid as a “compensation for loss of faculty”, e.g. Attendance Allowance, Disabled Adults Allowance, Disabled Transport Allowance or Disabled Child Allowance. Benefits paid for loss of income, i.e. Sickness Benefit for example are included and will be used in calculations of cost.

If you are not required to contribute towards the cost of your adaptation, you will be advised accordingly.

If at any time you wish to discuss any concerns or details, in the first instance, contact your Community Housing Officer.

If you have any comments or wish to query the cost of any equipment or adaptation, please contact the Community Housing Manager who will endeavour to assist you with your enquiry.

We hope this leaflet clearly explains the process used in ensuring that those who can afford to contribute towards their own care, can do so and that those who cannot are not deprived of aides on the account of cost alone.

Income Per Annum	% to pay	Capital	% to pay
0	0	0	0
1000	0	1000	0
2000	0	2000	0
3000	0	3000	0
4000	0	4000	0
5000	0	5000	0
6000	5	6000	10
7000	10	7000	20
8000	15	8000	30
9000	20	9000	40
10000	25	10000	50
11000	30	11000	60
12000	35	12000	70
13000	40	13000	80
14000	45	14000	90
15000	50	15000	100
16000	55	16000	100
17000	60	17000	100
18000	65	18000	100
19000	70	19000	100
20000	75	20000	100
21000	80	21000	100
22000	85	22000	100
23000	90	23000	100
24000	95	24000	100
25000	100	25000	100
26000	100	26000	100
27000	100	27000	100
28000	100	28000	100

(a) Disability

If you are disabled and living in accommodation under the administration of the Housing Committee, you may require an adaptation or item of equipment to assist you in your daily living.

(b) Functional Ability and Benefits to be gained

If you are finding certain aspects of your daily living difficult, your Doctor may decide to write to your Community Housing Officer expressing his/her concerns. Alternatively, your Carer, District Nurse or Health Care Worker may make an application to the Department on your behalf. Only adaptations appropriate for your specific needs will be considered.

(c) Assessment of Need

An Occupational Therapist will visit your home to assess your particular needs. A report detailing your needs will be sent to your Community Housing Officer with the Occupational Therapists assessment of what adaptation or equipment may assist you. It may be that a simple measure is required, e.g. a handrail or bathboard, but it could be that a more complex adaptation is required and may necessitate a further visit to your home by a Maintenance Officer from the Housing Department. You will be kept informed at all times.

(d) Cost

There is always a cost for any adaptation. Some may be very expensive due to the complexity of the equipment required. It may take some time before the full cost is obtained. More expensive work may need to go out to tender, so please be patient.

Once the cost has been identified, we will assess whether you will be required to pay the full cost or contribute to the cost of any adaptation or piece of equipment.

The calculation table that follows will assist you to determine whether you will be required to contribute or pay for the adaptation.

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