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Council Tax Reduction Claim Form

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Important

Awards of Council Tax Reduction (CTR) and Second Adult Rebate (SAR) reduce the amount of Council Tax which you would normally be required to pay. The amount you are entitled to from the start date of your entitlement period until the end of the financial year (31 March) will reduce your Council Tax charge and you will receive a revised Council Tax bill for that year. Council Tax Reduction does not cover water and wastewater (sewerage) charges and you will still need to pay these.

Second Adult rebate is a form of Council Tax Reduction for people who do not share their home with a partner but share their home with someone who is 18 and over and is on a low income and does not pay rent to them. Failure to pay Council Tax will result in debt recovery action and you may incur additional costs.

Use black ink to fill in the form. Do not use pencil. If you make a mistake, just cross it out and put the right answer next to it. Please write clearly and answer all the questions or tick the appropriate boxes. If a question does not apply to you, write N/A (not applicable).

Name	Telephone no.
Address	Mobile no.
	Email address
Postcode	
Is this your first claim at this address? Yes No	I own the home I live in
If YES, date you moved in:	I am a council tenant
What was your previous address?	I am a private tenant
	I am a Housing Association tenant
	I live with one of the above
	I wish to claim Council Tax
Did you rent this property? Yes No	Single Person Discount
Did you claim CTR there? Yes No	
Did you own this property? Yes No	

Part 1 — About you and your partner

Your personal details	You	Your partner
Marital status		
Title (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss)		
Last name		
First name		
Date of birth		
National Insurance Number		
Have you lived in the UK for less than 2 years?	Yes No	Yes No
If YES, what is your nationality? <i>We will write to you about this</i>		
Which country did you live in?		
When did you come to live in the United Kingdom?		
How long do you plan to stay?		
Do you still have bank accounts or property overseas?		
You and your partner's health	You	Your partner
Are you long-term sick or disabled and incapable of work?	Yes No	Yes No
Are you registered or certified blind?	Yes No	Yes No
Does anyone get Carer's Allowance to look after you or your partner?	Yes No	Yes No
If YES, what is their name and address?		
Name		
Address		
Are you in hospital at the moment? If YES, please state the date you went in? When do you expect to come out?	Yes No	Yes No
Please tick if you are:	You	Your partner
A student (also complete Part 8)		-
A student nurse		
An apprentice		
On youth training		
In legal custody		
Severely mentally impaired		

Part 2 — About children

You may be able to get additional reduction for children you receive child benefit for.

Do you want to claim for any children?

No If NO go to Part 3 Yes

To claim for more than three children, use a separate sheet of paper. If you are sending a separate sheet of paper, clearly note on it your name and address and tick this box

	First child	Second child	Third child
Last name			
First names			
Date of birth			
What is the child's sex?			
The child's relationship to you			
Usual address if different from yours:			
First child	Second child	Third child	
	First child	Second child	Third child
Who gets the Child Benefit for them?			
Is a child registered blind or getting Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payments (PIF	Yes No No ??	Yes No	Yes No
Do you pay any child-minding costs for this child?	Yes No	Yes No	Yes No
Child minder's name			
Child minder's registration number			
Child minder's address			
How much do you pay per week?	£	£	£
Do you have a child about to leave school?	Yes No	Yes No	Yes No
If YES, what is their expected leaving date?			

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Part 3 — About other people who live with you Please give details of anyone else who lives in your home. They could be relatives, friends or boarders. Do any adults normally live with you and your partner? Yes If NO go to Part 4 No By adults we mean people over 16 for whom noone receives Child Benefit If YES tell us about all the adults, except your partner, who usually live with you. If you are sending a separate sheet of paper, clearly note on it your name and address and tick this box Second person Third person First person Last name First names Date of birth Relationship to you For example, aunt, brother, daughter, father, grandmother, stepdaughter, joint tenant, joint owner or friend National Insurance Number Yes No No Yes No Do they get Universal Credit, Income Yes Support, Income Based Jobseeker's Allowance, Employment or Support Allowance? No Do they get Disability Living Allowance, Yes Yes No Yes No Attendance Allowance, Personal Independence Payments (PIP) or are they registered blind? Are they a full-time student, student No No No Yes Yes Yes nurse, care worker, an apprentice or on youth training? Do they pay rent or money for board Yes No Yes No Yes No and lodgings to you or your partner? Are they severely mentally impaired? Yes No Yes No Yes No Are they currently in legal custody? Yes No Yes No Yes No If YES, when are they expected to come out? Are they currently in hospital? Yes No Yes No Yes No If YES, when did they go in? When are they expected to come out? Yes No No Yes No Yes Do they normally work for 16 hours or more a week? £ £ If YES, tell us their earnings £ before deductions. No No No Do they have any other income? Yes Yes Yes £ If YES, detail here: £ £

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Part 4 — Universal Credit

Are you or your partner getting or waiting to hear about a claim?

No If NO go to Part 5

	You	Your partner
Are you or your partner getting any element of Universal Credit?	Yes No	Yes No

Yes

Universal Credit award assesment period

to

Universal Credit elements breakdown	Value	Additional income (wages, private pension, ESA contributions etc)	Value
Standard allowance			
Child element			
Housing costs element			
Limited capability for work element			
Limited capability for work related element			
Carer element			
Child care costs element			
Total elements awarded			
Deductions			
Unearned income			
Earned income			
Other - (advances, arrears, sanctions)			
Total UC payment for month			

Part 5 — About benefits and pension

Are you or your partner getting or waiting to hear about any benefit claims?

If you are getting or have claimed any benefit that is not listed, tell us about it at the bottom of the list.

Yes

		You		Y	our partner	
	Waiting to hear	How much?	How often?	Waiting to hear	How much?	How often?
Attendance Allowance						
Carer's Allowance						
Child Benefit						
Child Tax Credit						
Disability Living Allowance - Care						
Disability Living Allowance - Mobility						
Employment & Support Allowance Contribution based/ Income related						
Guardians Allowance						
Income Support						
Industrial Death Benefit						
Industrial Injuries Disablement Benefit						
Jobseeker's Allowance Contribution based/ Income based						
Maternity Allowance						
Pension Credit						
Personal Independence Payments (PIP) - Daily Living						
Personal Independence Payments (PIP) - Mobility						
Retirement Pension						
Severe Disablement Allowance						
War Disablement Benefit						
War Pension						
War Widow's Pension						
Widow's or Widower's Benefit						
Working Tax Credit						

Any other benefits not listed

No If NO go to Part 6

Part 6 — About working

Do you or your partner work for an employer?

Yes

No If NO go to Part 7

If you work for more than one employer, tell us about the employers on another piece of paper and send it with this form. If you are sending a separate sheet of paper, clearly note on it your name and address and tick this box

	You	Your partner
What kind of work do you do?		
Your employer's name		
Your employer's address		
When did you start this job?		
Are you employed for a limited period?	Yes No	Yes No
If YES, what date will it end?		
How often do you get paid?	Every	Every
How much do you get paid before deductions?	£	£
How much tax do you pay?		
How much National Insurance do you pay?		
How much Pension Contributions do you pay?		
When was your last pay rise?		
How many hours a week do you work?		
Are you getting Statutory Sick Pay (SSP), Statutory Maternity Pay (SMP) from your employer currently?	Yes No	Yes No
Are you getting any other sick pay or maternity pay from your employer currently?	Yes No	Yes No
Do you pay into a private or company pension scheme?	Yes No	Yes No
If YES, how much?	£	£
How often?	Every	Every
Do you get tips, bonuses or commission?	Yes No	Yes No
If YES, how much?	£	£
How often?	Every	Every

Part 7 — About any other work

Do you or your partner do any other work? Yes

This could be voluntary or any other work, even if it is unpaid.

	You	Your partner
What kind of work do you do?		
Your employer's name		
Your employer's address		
When did you start this work?		
Do you get paid? If you only get expenses or tips, still tick 'yes' and	Yes No	Yes No
If YES how much?	£	£
How often?	Every	Every

Yes

Part 8 — About students

Are you or your partner a student?

Student means someone who is at college or university.

Student income

Value of grant, loan or bursary

Value of any money paid by parents or deed of covenant

Course details

Name of course

Type of course

Date academic year starts

Date academic year ends

When does the course end?

You	Your partner
£	£
£	£

No If NO go to Part 8

No If NO go to Part 9

Part 9 - Rent

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Yes

No If NO go to Part 10

If NO go to Part 11

No

You	Your partner
£	£
Every	Every
	£

Part 10 — About being self-employed

Are you or your partner self-employed?

You must send us your profit and loss accounts for the last financial year. If you have only recently set up the business and do not have a full year's accounts, we will need to see some other proof of your income.

Yes

	You	Your partner
What kind of work do you do?		
When did the business start?		
Business address		
Are there any other partners in the business?	Yes No	Yes No
How many hours a week do you work?		
Do you get a business start up allowance?	Yes No	Yes No
Do you pay into a private pension scheme?	Yes No	Yes No

Part 11 — About other money coming in

Do you, your partner, or children have any money coming in that you have not already told us about on this form?

Yes

No If NO go to Part 12

For example: pensions from a previous employer, cash-in-lieu payments, maintenance or child support for you, your partner or any of the children you have told us about on this form; and any cash payments. Also tell us about any money you get from people living in your house as boarders, lodgers or subtenants. You do not have to tell us about payments from the Independent Living Fund, the Eileen Trust or the MacFarlane Trust.

Other money 1					
What is the money for?					
Who gets it?					
How much do they get?					
How often?					

Other money 2

What is the money for?	
Who gets it?	
How much do they get?	
How often?	

Other money 3

What is the money for?	
Who gets it?	
How much do they get?	
How often?	

Does anyone owe money to you, your partner	Yes	
or any children you are claiming for?		

If YES,	what	for?
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How much?

£

No

Part 12 - Bank accounts, capital, savings and investments

By capital we mean any money you have in banks or buildings societies, INCLUDING your current account (if you have one). This also means investments like stocks and shares, and property or land that you own (other than the home you live in).

Do you, or your partner, has accounts, capital, savings		No	If NO go to Part 13
If there are more than 3 accounts, tell us	about the others on a separate	e piece of paper and send it with	h this form.
If you are sending a separate sheet of pa	per, clearly note on it your nan	ne and address and tick this box	
Do you or your partner have any b <i>Current and/or savings.</i>	ank accounts? Yes		No
If YES tell us about them.	4	2	2
Name of bank	1	2	3
Account number]	
Whose name is the account in?]	
How much is in the account?	£	£	£
Do you or your partner have any building society accounts?	Yes		No
If YES tell us about them.			
	1	2	3
Name of building society			
Account number			
Whose name is the account in?			
How much is in the account?	£	£	£
Do you ro your partner have any post office accounts? <i>This includes savings accounts.</i> If YES tell us about them.	Yes		No
	1	2	3
Type of account			
Account number			
Whose name is the account in?			
How much is in the account?	£	£	£

	You		Your partner
	Yes No		Yes No
£		£	
	Yes No		Yes No
£		£	
	Yes No		Yes No
£		£	
	Yes No		Yes No
£		£	
	Yes No		Yes No
	£	Yes No £	Yes No £ £ Yes No £ £

Part 13 - Anything else you need to tell us

Use this box to tell us anything else you think we should know about.

Use a separate sheet and attach it to this form if you need to. If you are sending a separate sheet of paper, tick this box

Part 14 — Person completing this form on behalf of a claimant

If this form has been filled in by someone other than the person claiming please provide the following details:

Name of person who complete	ed the form			
Contact address	_			
Telephone number	_			
Relationship to the claimant	_			
Please tell us why you are filling	g in this form for th	he person claiming		
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Signature of the person compl	eting this form		Date	
Claimant's signature:	_		Date	
Are you the claimant's represer	ntative:	Yes No		
If not, please provide the repre	sentative's details	:		
Name of representative				
Contact address				
Telephone number				
Relationship to claimant				
Signature of representative	_			
Signature of claimant				

Note: When you agree to act as a representative, you must take full responsibility, for the person's Council Tax Reduction/Second Adult Rebate claim. This means you must make the claim and tell us of any changes in the person's circumstances.

Part 15 - Declaration

Even if someone else has filled in this form for you, you must sign the declaration if you can. If you have a partner, they must sign this declaration as well.

Please read this declaration carefully before you sign and date it.

This is my claim for Council Tax Reduction/Single Person Discount/ Second Adult Rebate.

I declare that the information I have given on this form is correct and complete. I understand that if I give information that is incorrect or incomplete, you may take action against me. This may include court action.

I agree that you will use the information I have provided to process my claim for Council Tax Reduction or Second Adult Rebate. You may check some of the information with other sources as allowed by law.

I agree that you may use any information I have given in connection with this and any other claim for state benefits that I have made or may make. You may give some information to other organisations, such as government departments, local authorities and private companies, if the law allows this.

I agree to advise you immediately in person, over the phone or in writing about any changes in my circumstances which may affect my claim.

I agree that you will use the information to work out if I can get a reduction on my Council Tax.

I understand that you are under a duty to protect public funds you handle, and for this reason you may use the information I have provided on this form to prevent and detect fraud. You may also share this information, for the same purpose, with others responsible for auditing or handling public funds.

I have read and understood the above declaration

Signatı	ure of person claiming	9	
Date [
Signatı	ure of partner/spouse	/joint tenant as appropriate	
Date]	

Privacy Notice

We are using the information you have provided in order to process Council Tax Reduction, Single Person Discount or Second Adult Rebate. You have given your consent to us processing your personal information. You can withdraw your consent at any time; you cannot withdraw your consent for a past period only from a current date.

The information will be shared with relevant services within the Council. These services may include Housing and Environment, Adult Wellbeing, Children's Wellbeing, Finance and Education, Revenues, Benefits & Financial Assessments. We will keep your personal data for 6 years/for as long as you are a service user, and use only for its original purpose.

For more information about how and why we use your personal data, visit www.eastlothian.gov.uk/ctrprivacy



Revenues Equality Monitoring Form

East Lothian Council, Support Services, PO Box 13261, Haddington, East Lothian, EH41 3YG

Equalities

To link our information with national statistics, the questions in this section have been mainly taken from the 2001 Census. Please complete these sections.

1. Sex	Male Female I prefer not to answer			
2. Date of Birth	I prefer not to answer			
3. Marital Status	Single (never married) Married Cohabiting Widowed Separated Divorced I prefer not to answer			
4. How do you ident	ify your sexual orientation?			
Bisexual Gay/Les	sbian Heterosexual I prefer not to answer			
5. Disability:				
	nation Act 1995 defines a disability as "a physical or mental impairment which has erm adverse effect on a person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities".			
Using this definition	as a guide, do you consider yourself to have a disability?			
Yes No I pre	fer not to answer			
If YES please give det	ails:			
6. What religion, relig	gious denomination or body do you belong to?			
None Church of	Scotland Roman Catholic Other Christian <i>Please give details</i>			
Buddhist	Hindu Sikh Muslim Jewish			
Another religion Please	give details I prefer not to answer			

Ethnic origin

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Choose a section, A-E and complete.

A White	B Mixed Background	C Asian	D Black	E Other Ethnic Background
 Scottish English Irish Welsh Other Please give details Other White Background Please give details 	Any mixed background <i>Please give details</i>	 (Asian Scottish, Asian English, Asian Welsh, Other Asian British) Indian Pakistani Bangladeshi Chinese Any other Asian background Please give details 	 (Black Scottish, Black English, Black Welsh, or other Black British) Caribbean African Any other Black background Please give details	Please give details

I prefer not to answer