

The table below shows how much Second Adult Rebate you can get depending on the income of your second adult(s).

	Percentage of eligible Council Tax that can be met by Second Adult Rebate
IF YOU HAVE ONE SECOND ADULT	
If the second adult is on I.S., JSA(IB) or Pension Credit	25%
If the second adult's gross income is less than £162.00 a week	15%
If the second adult's gross income is between £162.00 and £209.99 a week	7.5%
If the second adult's gross income is £210.00 or more a week	Nil
IF YOU HAVE TWO OR MORE SECOND ADULTS	
If all the second adults are on I.S., JSA(IB) or Pension Credit	25%
If the combined gross income of all the second adults is less than £162.00 a week	15%
If the combined gross income of all the second adults is between £162.00 and £209.99 a week	7.5%
If the combined gross income of all the second adults is £210.00 or more a week	Nil

**All amounts in this leaflet are current from April 2007.
The amounts usually change each April.**

Second Adult Rebate

Alternative Council Tax Benefit



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What is Second Adult Rebate?

It is a form of Council Tax Benefit and is another way of reducing your Council Tax bill (by up to 25% of what you have to pay).

Who can get Second Adult Rebate?

Usually, you can get Second Adult Rebate if you are the only person liable for the Council Tax on your property and you have a non-dependant or 'second adult' living with you who is on a low-income.

A 'second adult' is someone like a grown up son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter or a close friend of your family. You can also get Second Adult Rebate if you have more than one 'second adult' in your home provided all their incomes added together are still low.

Should I claim Second Adult Rebate?

You should claim Second Adult Rebate if you can answer 'YES' to each of the following statements:

- ✓ At least one second adult occupies my home and they are not a disregarded person (see below)
- ✓ I do not have a partner living with me or if I do, they are a disregarded person
- ✓ I do not receive any rent from a lodger, tenant or subtenant who lives in my home
- ✓ I am the only person liable for the Council Tax on my home who is not a disregarded person.

The following people are disregarded persons:

- Under 18s and anyone aged 18 if their parent or guardian receives Child Benefit for them.
- School leavers and students at school or college who are under 20
- Full-time students, foreign language students and student nurses
- Youth Training trainees under 25
- Apprentices on NCVQ courses
- Severely Mentally Impaired People
- Carers
- Prisoners
- People who actually live somewhere else
- Members of religious communities
- Diplomats and members of international bodies and visiting forces

How much Second Adult Rebate could I get?

We will work out the gross income of your second adult.

If you have more than one second adult living with you, we will add together all their gross incomes. We will ignore the income of any second adult on Income Support,(IS), income-based Jobseekers Allowance,(JSA) or Pension Credit.

If any second adult has a partner, we will add the partner's income to the second adult's income. If you claim main Council Tax Benefit, we will work out any entitlement to Second Adult Rebate at the same time.

If you can get both, you will only get the one that pays the most benefit. You will not get both.