



VAT Relief

Value added tax (VAT) applies to most goods and services. However, if you are disabled or have a long-term health condition, you do not have to pay VAT on products or services that have been adapted to support you with your condition.

Who Qualifies?

To be eligible for VAT exemption on certain products, you must meet the following criteria:

- Have a physical or mental impairment that affects your ability to carry out everyday activities
- Have a condition that is treated as chronic or long-term, such as diabetes
- Be terminally ill

How To Apply

To access VAT relief you must complete an 'Eligibility declaration by a disabled person for VAT reliefs' form. You can access the form online:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/vat-reliefs-for-disabled-people-eligibility-declaration-by-a-disabled-person>

If you need a more accessible version, please email:

different.format@hmrc.gov.uk

If you would like to speak to someone, you can call the VAT Disabled Reliefs Helpline on: 0300 123 1073

You can also access some useful helpsheets on the government website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/vat-reliefs-for-charities-disabled-and-older-people>



Frequently Asked Questions

1. Can I get VAT relief on building work to adapt my home for my disability?

Yes. You will not be charged VAT on building work like ramps, widening doors, installing a lift or toilet.

2. Can I get VAT relief on a wheelchair, or other accessory?

Yes. You will not be charged VAT on the following products:

- adjustable beds
- stair lifts
- wheelchairs
- medical appliances to help with severe injuries
- alarms
- braille paper or low vision aids - but not spectacles or contact lenses

3. What about a car - can I get VAT relief on an adapted car?

Yes. You will need to complete a 'Customer declaration for zero-rated VAT supply of an adapted motor vehicle (VAT1615A)' form, which can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/customer-declaration-for-zero-rated-vat-supply-of-an-adapted-motor-vehicle-vat1615a>

How We Can Help

If you live in the Barnsley borough and would like some advice about VAT relief, you can:

- Email us at first.contact@dialbarnsley.org.uk
- Or call our Advice Line on 01226 240273