

Help with home adaptations



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Disabled facilities grants are provided by South Derbyshire District Council to help disabled people live more independently in their own homes where equipment and minor adaptations are not sufficient



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The grants can be used to provide a range of adaptations to your home, including:

- Wet floor showers
- External ramps
- Stairlifts / through floor lifts
- Wheelchair accessible kitchen facilities

You can apply for a grant if you own your home, rent a home privately or rent a home from a housing association. Council tenants are also eligible for necessary adaptations.

The grants are provided in partnership with Derbyshire County Council's social care team. This usually means that you will have a visit by an occupational therapist or community care worker in your home to assess what adaptations are necessary and appropriate.

Adaptations up to the value of £6,000 are not subject to any financial assessment, anything above that value will require a means test. This is an assessment of your income and savings, and those of your partner if you have one, to assess if you will be expected to make a financial contribution to the grant. There is no means testing for any adaptations that are for a child under the age of 18.

The maximum grant available is £30,000, but the amount of grant you will receive will depend on the cost of the work required and your financial assessment. We can guide you through the process, draw up plans and find a contractor on your behalf for any works that are eligible for the grant.

Any equipment that is installed through a disabled facilities grant, such as a stair lift, will come with a one year warranty. You will be responsible for servicing and maintaining the equipment after this time.

For more information or to make a referral, please contact:

Call Derbyshire on 01629 533190

or email contactcentre@derbyshire.gov.uk.

Or call South Derbyshire District Council on 01283 595719

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