



Fact Sheet

When standard is just not enough

Do you or a member of your family have special housing needs arising from a medical condition or injury? Perhaps you are unable to climb the stairs or are unable to use a bath. Would you like to be considered for one of the many, council owned St. Leger homes that have already been adapted to cater for such needs?

Like to know more?

Unfortunately, many tenants find that during their tenancy their circumstances and needs change. When a medical condition or injury means that they are unable to climb the stairs or use the existing bathing facilities, they may request the installation of a stair lift or a special shower, so that they can remain independent in their existing home. When these properties with additional facilities then become available for re-letting, it is sensible to re-allocate them to people who need the special facilities the property has to offer.

How do I apply?

The first step is to apply to be included on the Housing Register. You can get an application form from any St. Leger office, or by contacting the Doncaster HomeChoice Team on 01302 862628.

How will my application be processed?

When your application is registered we will send you a medical assessment form which asks you a number of questions about your medical circumstances and needs. All forms indicating the need for additional facilities are forwarded to the accessible housing co-ordinator, who is a qualified occupational therapist. They will make arrangements to visit you to discuss your present and future needs.

Do I need a letter from my doctor?

You do not need to have a letter from your doctor. If further medical advice is required, the occupational therapist will ask for your permission to write to your doctor for this information.

Will the property I'm offered meet my needs?

When an adapted property becomes vacant, details of this are passed to the accessible housing register co-ordinator, who will match the property to the most suitable applicant on the register. The property will be offered to the applicant who is the closest match.

Does this mean that if I ask for a property with additional facilities, I will lose my chance of being offered an ordinary house or bungalow (over 60's)?

If a standard house or bungalow (over 60's) could successfully be adapted to meet your needs, your application will also be considered in the normal manner. If your application is short-listed, the occupational therapist will advise if the property would be suitable for you.

What if I'm already a council tenant?

If you are already living in a Doncaster council property and due to a change in your circumstances wish to apply for additional facilities to be provided in your current home, please contact Doncaster Council on either:

Adult Adaptations **01302 737391**

Child Adaptations **01302 737777**



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