

# COUNCIL TAX – MEMBERS OF RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY DISREGARD



**Please fill in this form and return it to:**

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Your name and address:          E-mail:	Council Tax account number:          Address this form relates to (if different):          
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**Please read the information over the page before you fill in your application**

Your daytime telephone number

The name of the member(s)  
of the religious community

Name and address of the  
religious community

What is the principle  
occupation of the community?

Has the member of the community any income or capital of his / her own even though it may be subject to a covenant (if applicable exclude a pension from previous employment but include state pension)?  
YES / NO

Is the member of the community wholly dependent on the community for all of his/her material needs?  
YES/ NO

**Full names of all persons over 18 residing in the property**

Your signature  Date

Capacity in which signed

**Any changes in circumstances should be notified to the council within 21 days.**

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## When is a discount possible?

Council Tax is normally charged on the assumption that two or more people aged 18 or over live in a property.

If there is only one adult living there, they can apply for a single person's discount of 25%. However, if anyone aged 18 or over is a member of a religious community and without them there is only one adult living in the property, you may apply for the same 25% discount.

## Who can qualify for this discount?

A person can qualify for a discount if:

- their principle occupation is prayer, contemplation, education, the relief of suffering or any combination of these **and**
- he / she has no income or capital of their own **and**
- he / she is dependent on the religious community for all their material needs.

## What happens if I qualify?

We will send you an adjusted bill showing the appropriate reduction.

This information can be made available in large print, Braille, audio/CD or in another language upon request.

Please telephone: 01424 787000 or

Email: [revenuesandbenefits@rother.gov.uk](mailto:revenuesandbenefits@rother.gov.uk)

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We must protect the public funds we handle and so we may use the information you have provided on this form to prevent and detect fraud. We may also share this information, for the same purposes, with other organisations which handle public funds.