

How much is my council tax?

The amount of council tax you pay will vary depending on the valuation band in which your home is placed and the area of Cardiff in which you live. The valuation band is determined by the Valuation Office Agency. The current Council Tax Valuation List is effective from the 1st April 2005 but is based on the market value of your home as at the 1st April 2003. The current valuation bands and respective capital values are:

Band

- A** Up to £44,000
- B** £44,001 to £65,000
- C** £65,001 to £91,000
- D** £91,001 to £123,000
- E** £123,001 to £162,000
- F** £162,001 to £223,000
- G** £223,001 to £324,000
- H** £324,001 to £424,000
- I** £424,001 and above

Council tax exemptions

A property might be exempt from Council Tax if it is:

- Requiring, undergoing or has undergone structural repair works to make it habitable.
Dwellings must be unoccupied and unfurnished throughout the period. This exemption is limited to a maximum of twelve months and can be shorter if the structural repairs are completed within a period of six months.
- Unoccupied and owned by a charity (exempt for up to six months)
- Unoccupied and unfurnished (exempt for up to six months)
- Left unoccupied by persons detained in prison
- Left unoccupied by persons in hospital, nursing/care homes
- Unoccupied through death of resident(s) (exempt for up to six months after probate/letters of administration)
- Occupation prohibited by law
- Unoccupied and held for a minister of religion
- Left unoccupied by person(s) receiving care in another place (other than a hospital or nursing/care home)
- Left unoccupied by person(s) residing and providing care elsewhere
- Unoccupied, owned and last occupied by students
- Unoccupied and mortgagee in possession under the mortgage
- Halls of residence predominantly for student accommodation
- Occupied solely by students, to include a student's spouse or dependant who is not a British Citizen and is prevented from working or claiming benefit
- Owned by Secretary of State for Defence and held for armed forces accommodation
- Occupied by members of visiting forces
- Unoccupied and held by trustee in bankruptcy
- Unoccupied caravan pitch or boat mooring
- Occupied solely by person(s) under 18
- Unoccupied but forms part of another dwelling and is difficult to let
- Occupied solely by person(s) who is (are) severely mentally impaired.
- Properties occupied by certain diplomats
- Annex or self contained part of property occupied by an elderly or disabled relative of the residents living in the rest of it

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