

30 Hours Free Childcare for Foster Carers

FAQs for Childcare Providers

What's the difference between a parent's 30hrs free childcare application process and a foster carer's 30hrs free childcare application process?

- Working parents can apply to HMRC whilst foster carers must apply to their local council, after first obtaining permission from the foster child's Social Worker. The 30hrs offer for foster carers is strictly for those who work in addition to their fostering role.
- In both cases, the parent/foster carer will receive a time sensitive code on application, if eligible.
- Codes must be renewed and resubmitted to the childcare provider termly/every three months. This is to ensure that the parent's/foster carer's circumstances have not changed and that they are still eligible to receive the free hours.

How do working parents apply for 30hrs?

- Parents are directed to the governments HMRC's website to view the eligibility criteria, register and set up an account in order to obtain their code. [30 hours free childcare - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare)
- Following registration and completion of their online form and if eligible – they will receive their time sensitive code from HMRC for submission to their chosen childcare provider. Renewal codes will also need to be applied for via their HMRC account.

How do working foster carers apply for 30hrs?

- Those foster carers working outside of their fostering role are directed to their local authority in order to request a 30hrs Foster Carer Application Form. Requests/completed application forms are to be emailed to: earlyeducation@haringey.gov.uk
- If eligible, the local authority provides the foster carer with a time sensitive code for submission to their chosen childcare provider.
- Foster carers are required to request a renewal code termly/every three months by emailing the local authority at earlyeducation@haringey.gov.uk to confirm their circumstances have not changed.

30hrs Free Childcare – Haringey Council Foster Carer Application Form



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