

# Grant Categories and Allowable Items

Your application to the charity Independence at Home for a modest grant must be in relation to ONE of the Categories and Allowable Items which we support. Please read 'How To Apply' for more information. If, having done so, you are still unsure, please email [iah@independenceathome.org.uk](mailto:iah@independenceathome.org.uk) for assistance.

<b>1. Home Adaptations</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• house adaptation</li> <li>• kitchen adaptation</li> <li>• ground-floor accommodation</li> <li>• new building</li> <li>• central heating</li> <li>• ramp</li> <li>• driveway</li> <li>• hard standing</li> <li>• dropped kerb</li> <li>• disabled parking bay</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• automatic garage door</li> <li>• through-floor lift</li> <li>• stair lift</li> <li>• step lift</li> <li>• scooter storage</li> <li>• storage shed</li> <li>• doorway widening</li> <li>• walk-in shower</li> <li>• level access shower</li> <li>• wet room</li> <li>• over-bath shower</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• shower</li> <li>• closomat toilet</li> <li>• side opening bath</li> <li>• special bath</li> <li>• height adjustable bath</li> <li>• bidet</li> <li>• hi-lo bath</li> <li>• hi-lo basin</li> <li>• whirlpool bath</li> <li>• spa bath</li> </ul>
<b>2. Urgent House Repairs*</b>		
House repairs of all kinds: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• window repair</li> <li>• door repair</li> <li>• roof repair</li> <li>• electrical repair</li> </ul>	Linked to Home Adaptations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• decoration</li> <li>• redecoration</li> </ul> where there is a strong medical case of need	* Normally for people aged 65+
<b>3. Mobility Equipment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• electrically powered scooter</li> <li>• electrically powered wheelchair</li> <li>• manual wheelchair</li> <li>• folding wheelchair</li> <li>• lightweight wheelchair</li> <li>• lightweight powered wheelchair</li> <li>• specialist wheelchair</li> <li>• standing wheelchair</li> <li>• power add-on for wheelchair</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• indoor-outdoor wheelchair</li> <li>• therapeutic trike</li> <li>• specialist disability buggy or pushchair</li> <li>• walking aid</li> <li>• walking frame</li> <li>• car adaptations</li> <li>• car hoist</li> <li>• specialist car seat</li> <li>• specialist car harness</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• wheelchair hoist</li> <li>• wheelchair safety harness</li> <li>• scooter battery</li> <li>• wheelchair battery</li> <li>• power pack</li> <li>• wheelchair cushion</li> <li>• medi-motion wheels</li> <li>• hoist (etc) repair</li> <li>• therapeutic exercise machine</li> </ul>

<b>4. Disability Equipment</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• special seating</li> <li>• portable hoist</li> <li>• bathroom hoist</li> <li>• bath lift</li> <li>• ceiling tracking</li> <li>• hoist(etc) repair</li> <li>• high-backed chair</li> <li>• riser-recliner chair</li> <li>• P-Pod seating</li> <li>• stander</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• profiling bed</li> <li>• adjustable bed</li> <li>• orthopaedic mattress</li> <li>• waterproof mattress</li> <li>• safe space bed</li> <li>• safe space</li> <li>• sensory bedding</li> <li>• sensory equipment</li> <li>• body splint</li> <li>• body suit</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• postural support aids</li> <li>• nebulizer</li> <li>• TENS machine</li> <li>• environmental control equipment</li> <li>• door entry system</li> <li>• tough furniture</li> <li>• aids for daily living</li> </ul>
<b>5. Communication Aids</b>		
<p>For people with visual and hearing impairment or who are socially isolated because of their medical condition:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• computer hardware</li> <li>• computer software</li> <li>• tablet computer</li> <li>• monitor</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• reading aid</li> <li>• magnifier</li> <li>• light writer</li> <li>• scanner</li> <li>• speech aid</li> <li>• communication aid</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• mobile phone</li> <li>• large button phone</li> <li>• epilepsy alarm</li> <li>• CO2 detector</li> <li>• care-phone alarm</li> <li>• CCTV</li> </ul>
<b>6. Essential Household Goods *</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cooker</li> <li>• hob</li> <li>• oven</li> <li>• fridge</li> <li>• fridge freezer</li> <li>• washing machine</li> <li>• tumble dryer</li> <li>• washer dryer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• bed base</li> <li>• mattress</li> <li>• mattress topper</li> <li>• sofa bed</li> <li>• flooring</li> <li>• carpet</li> <li>• furnishings</li> <li>• blinds</li> </ul>	<p>* only where there is a strong medical case of need e.g. to enable a move to independent living accommodation</p>
<b>7. Cost of Living</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heating and fuel costs - only in exceptional circumstances, and only in Winter Months</li> </ul>		

<b>8. Miscellaneous</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removal expenses - only to enable a move to more suitable / independent living accommodation</li> <li>• House clearance - only to enable a move to more suitable / independent living accommodation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• De-cluttering - only if there is a diagnosis from a specialist medical professional of a recognised neurological condition <u>and</u> a plan agreed with and supported by a social work professional to ensure that the result is then sustainable</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Holidays - only for people with a diagnosis from a specialist medical professional of a recognised neurological condition</li> </ul>
<b>9. <u>Not</u> in Scope</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medication</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Equipment available from the NHS</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Groceries</li> </ul>