

What is not Eligible?

We can only consider adaptations which are permanent alterations, we cannot fund disability aids such as toilet aids, shower seats, hoists or other temporary removable aids. These can be funded by the local authority therefore you should contact the OT if you feel you need disability aids

Paying for the work?

You do not normally have to pay for the adaptations as we receive a yearly allocation of money from the Scottish Government to help pay for adaptations that have been recommended by an OT, however if Scottish Government funding is not available we may not be able to carry out adaptations.



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**MEDICAL
ADAPTATION
LEAFLET**



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Who can help?

- ◆ Do you live in an Ore Valley property?
- ◆ Do you need an adaptation to your home to enable you to live more independently?
- ◆ If you answered yes to these questions then this leaflet will help you with your needs

What is an Adaptation?

An adaptation is a permanent change that is made to your home to make it easier for you to live there. To be eligible for an adaptation you will normally have a disability or need adaptations to assist your independent living.



What adaptations do we do?

OVHA has a commitment to helping its elderly and disabled tenants enjoy as independent lifestyle as possible and can offer a range of adaptation including:

- ◆ Widening doors, installing ramps or lowering doorway steps to make it easier for you to get into and out of your home
- ◆ Installing grab rails or hand rails
- ◆ Installing a stair lift
- ◆ Installing a walk-in shower or a shower fitted over your bath
- ◆ Moving light switches and electric sockets to a more convenient position for you



How do I go about it?

To qualify for an adaptation you need to be a tenant of ours and have been assessed by an Occupational Therapist (OT). If you feel you qualify for an adaptation, firstly you have to contact the Occupational Therapist for the area that you live in.

Once the OT has been out to visit you and assessed your needs and decided what requirements you need, they will then contact us to carry out the works.

Assessment Request

We can also help with making a request for an OT assessment to be carried out or if the tenant wishes they can contact them direct.

The Assessment Request should include as much information as possible to allow the case to be prioritised correctly, including the tenant's name, address, contact number, date of birth, medical history and what adaptation work may be required.