Rothercard

Your Rothercard entitles you to:

- a 35 percent discount on a wide range of leisure activities at Council facilities including golf at Grange Park, cycling at Rother Valley Country Park, Learn to Swim, aquafit and sauna
- a Junior Rothercard rate has also been introduced on many sporting activities giving Rothercard holders under the age of 16 an extra 10 percent off the concessionary rate
- 35 percent off the hire of cassettes, CDs, DVDs, videos and talking books from the libraries
- a 50 percent discount on the removal of furniture, electrical and gas appliances from your home
- a 50 percent discount off the cost of a new or replacement wheelie bin
- a concessionary rate at Rotherham theatres
- a concessionary entry price at selected leisure venues across South Yorkshire

Category(ies):  Independent living, Health & wellbeing

Who it is for:  If they are eligible, the following people can apply for a Rothercard:

- Young people aged 16 to 19 years in full time education, and young people on a youth training scheme also qualify regardless of their parents' income
- Looked after children/young people
- Adults on a low income
- Anyone aged over 60
- Refugees/asylum seekers dependent on asylum seeker support payments

Are you eligible

To qualify for a free Rothercard you must live at a property which is registered for Council Tax in our area.

You must also be on a low income and claim one of the following benefits:

- Attendance Allowance
- Council Tax Reduction
- Disability Living Allowance
- Working Tax Credit
- Housing Benefit
- Incapacity Benefit
- Income Support
- Severe Disablement Allowance
• Jobseekers Allowance
• Employment and Support Allowance
• HC 2/3 Certificate - (help with cost of prescriptions, dentist/optician charges)

**Where available:**
Local service covering: Rotherham (South Yorkshire).

**What it costs:**
It is free

**How to access or apply for it:**
You will need to bring a passport sized photo to any of our libraries or Customer Service Centres, or Aston Parish Hall (Monday to Friday, 10am to 12:30pm)

In order for us to process your application we will need to see:

- a recently dated benefit letter
- your payment (rent) card or Council Tax bill showing Council Tax Reduction or Housing Benefit
- recent payslip
- bank statement
- HC2/3 certificate
- proof of child benefit for dependant child(ren)
- letter about your training placement
- letter from your school or college if you are aged 16-19 in full time education (your parents must still receive child benefit for you)
- if you are over 60 proof of pension, bus pass, driving licence or birth certificate and proof of address
- an official letter supplied by the foster carer or residential worker naming the young person in their care
- for refugees/asylum seekers a HC2/3 certificate will be accepted at any issuing point.

Rothercards must be renewed each year (every 5 years for people aged 60 and over).

If you cannot get to a library or Customer Service Centre because of your disability, please contact us to request a postal application from.

**What then:**
Rothercard entitles you to
* a 35% discount on a wide range of leisure activities at RMBC facilities including golf at Grange Park, cycling at Rother Valley Country Park, Learn to Swim, aquafit and sauna
* Rothercard discounts in Libraries have increased to 35% off the hire of cassettes, CDs, DVDs, videos and talking books
* a 50% discount on the removal of furniture, electrical and gas appliances from the home
* a concessionary rate at Rotherham theatres
* a concessionary entry price at selected leisure venues across South Yorkshire with the "More Leisure for Less" scheme
* free entry to the RSPB Old Moor Wetland Centre in the Dearne Valley

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**About the service provider:**

**Contact info:** Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council: Civic Building
Walker Place, Rotherham, South Yorkshire, S65 1UF.

[Visit their website]  [Find them on a map]

**Parent organisation:** Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council

Providers directory:
Providers website:
[http://www.rotherham.gov.uk/info/200008/benefits_and_support/709/apply_for_a_rothercard/3](http://www.rotherham.gov.uk/info/200008/benefits_and_support/709/apply_for_a_rothercard/3)