

30 Hours Free Childcare

- Newham Trial From
September 2016
Are you eligible?



Applications are now open

From September 2017 the government plans to double free three- and four- year-old childcare to 30 hours per week for working parents.

From September 2016, Newham will be testing and evaluating ways of delivering the “30 hours” offer. We have 415 places available in selected settings to trial the offer. This is an offer, not an entitlement, at this point. Due to the funding available, most parents will not get a place during the trial. To be eligible, parents must meet “working” criteria and must also meet local criteria set by the council. For the trial children must also be born between 1 April 2012 and 31 August 2013 and be resident in Newham.

Am I eligible?

The “working” criteria to be eligible for the trial are:

Both parents must be working (or the sole parent must be working in a lone parent family), and each parent earns, **on average**:

- a weekly minimum equivalent to 16 hours at national minimum wage (NMW) or national living wage (NLW)
- less than £100,000 per year.

ROUND 1 ALLOCATIONS - Additional criteria for prioritisation

The 415 trial places will be allocated based on the following priorities:

- **Priority 1 - Children with identified special educational needs or disabilities (SEND)**
- **Priority 2 - Children who are already attending or have a confirmed place at a selected trial provider in September 2016**

We will consider applications against priorities 1 and 2 before considering applications received that fall under priority 3.

ROUND 2 ALLOCATIONS

- **Priority 3 - Children from eligible families wanting a place at a selected trial provider.**

How to apply

To apply for a place to take part in the trial, please complete the online application form which can be found at: www.newham.gov.uk/30freehours

Applications will be processed by priority and then in date order of submission of full and complete applications.

For further information about 30 hours free childcare and our selected trial providers, please visit:

www.newham.gov.uk/30freehours