

Eligibility for Lifestyles Freedom Membership or Concession Leisure Card

The following shows what will be required as proof of eligibility for Freedom concession membership or a concession Leisure Card.

1. **Students (age 16+) in full-time education** – On presentation of: valid and in date NUS card, University or College ID card, proof of Full Time study for the current academic year. ID / letter to be shown at time of initial sign up and will not be required again until the following academic year.
2. **Serving Military personnel & Military Veterans** – Military or Veteran ID card must be shown.
3. **Means tested** – You will need one piece of evidence for one of the criteria listed below:

Concession Eligibility / Benefit Being Claimed	Proof Required (we reserve the right to ask to see proof on a regular basis which may be monthly for some forms of evidence)
<p>Universal Credit (including qualifying for free prescriptions)</p>	<p>Electronic proof of UC ‘monthly pay slip’ showing either:</p> <p>a) you receive Universal Credit and either had no earnings or had net earnings of £435 or less in your last Universal Credit assessment period</p> <p>or</p> <p>b) you receive Universal Credit, which includes an element for a child, or you (or your partner) had limited capability for work (LCW) or limited capability for work and work-related activity (LCWRA), and you either had no earnings or net earnings of £935 or less in your last Universal Credit assessment period</p>
<p>Income Support</p> <p>Jobseeker’s Allowance</p> <p>Employment and Support Allowance</p> <p>Guaranteed Pension Credit</p> <p>Child Tax Credit</p> <p>Working Tax Credit with a disability element and have an income for tax credit purposes of £15,276 or less</p>	<p>Current award letter from Jobcentre Plus</p> <p>Current award letter from Jobcentre Plus</p> <p>Current award letter from Jobcentre Plus</p> <p>Current award letter from Pension Service or Jobcentre Plus</p> <p>Current HC2 NHS Prescription certificate</p> <p>Current HC2 NHS Prescription certificate</p>

The above criteria is subject to change at any time and it may mean that you are no longer eligible for a concession Leisure Card or Freedom membership. Colchester City Council reserves the right to ask to see proof on a regular basis, which may be monthly for some forms of evidence, even if this has previously been provided.