

Scotland's Redress Scheme

Application form **Part 3**

For individually assessed payment applicants

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Section 1: Personal details

This information will be used to join together Part 1 and Part 3 of your application forms.

Name

Rozel Reilly

Date of birth

Day 05 Month 10 Year 1976

The next section asks you to write your statement of abuse.

Section 2: Your statement of abuse

Please refer to page 32 of the “Help to apply” guidance when filling in this form.

Please make sure that whatever way you provide your statement, you include all the information Redress Scotland needs to make a decision. You can find out more on page 35 of “Help to apply”.

You may find that writing this brings up feelings or memories. If you need support you can speak to a case worker who can refer you to further help:

- **Telephone:** 0808 175 0808 (freephone)
- **International:** +44 131 297 6500
Lines are open Monday to Thursday, from 10am to 4pm (except Scottish public holidays)
- **Email:** apply@redress-scheme.scot

Providing your statement of abuse

In Part 1, you will have provided information about any relevant care settings you were abused in.

In Part 3, you need to provide a statement about your abuse. You can choose how you want to provide your statement. You can complete Q1, Q2, Q3 and Q4. Or you can:

- submit a previous statement (for example, a copy of a statement given to the police)
- write your statement in another format that is better suited to you

How to complete this section

You may have been abused in one relevant care setting, or in several different ones.

For this part of the application form, please provide a statement about each care setting you were abused in.

For example, if you were abused in 3 relevant care settings, please provide 3 statements.

You can do this in any order that makes sense to you.

There are pages for 4 care settings included in this form. If you need more copies, you can:

- contact a case worker
- make a copy yourself
- print additional pages from mygov.scot/redress

Please remember:

- there are no wrong answers - if Redress Scotland needs more or different information, your case worker will get in touch with you and let you know
- do not worry about your spelling
- use as much or as little space as you need to give your information - you can continue on additional pages if you want to

Your statement for Care setting 1

Please read page 32 of the “Help to apply” guidance before you begin.

In Part 1, you will have already provided information about the care settings you were abused in. By providing this information here, your case worker can join together the name of the care setting with your statement of abuse.

Q1 | What is the name or location of the relevant care setting you were abused in?

(For example, the name of the care home, or the city or region where you lived in foster care or while boarded out).

Children Home Irvine

Do not worry if you are uncertain about dates or time. Please provide your best estimate.

Q2 | When were you abused?
For example: a single date, an age, or an approximate time or time range.

1982

You do not have to provide names, if you cannot remember or do not feel comfortable doing so. If you do provide a name it will be passed to Police Scotland.

Q3 | Who was involved in your abuse?
For example: a member of staff, a peer or someone outside the care setting.

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Q4 | On the next page, please provide as much information as you can about:

- the abuse you experienced while living in this care setting
- what life was like for you during this time
- how the people responsible for your care and welfare failed to carry out that duty (within or beyond your care setting)

You can continue on additional pages if you need to.

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Social Services became aware of the death in our family and recommended that my siblings and I go into care to give my father time to grieve. My dad placed us there because he felt he was not in the right state of mind to look after us properly. He wanted to make sure we were safe and did not want us to be placed back with our birth mother. He was told that he could come and get us once he was emotionally well enough to care for us again. However, he has since told me that Social Services tried to prevent him from getting us back, despite him wanting to protect us and have us home.

I remember one occasion when my birth mother and her partner came to the home. I overheard my birth mother tell the staff, "We want the younger sibling and the older sibling, but the middle one can stay. We don't want her." The staff must have informed my dad because he came to the home immediately and said, "No, she's not having them." Hearing my birth mother reject me like that was deeply upsetting and has stayed with me ever since. If we ever made a mistake or got into trouble, the staff were horrible. They were verbally aggressive and never showed us any sympathy or tried to understand why we had behaved the way we had. We were vulnerable children who were frightened, grieving, and confused, but none of that seemed to matter to them. I used to wet the bed when I was around six years old. Instead of comforting me or recognising that this could have been caused by the trauma I had experienced, the staff shouted at me and made me feel ashamed and embarrassed. Rather than caring for me, they made me feel like I had done something wrong. Overall, we were not cared for in the way children should have been. We were often singled out, and if we had any worries or felt unsafe, we were simply told to "shut up and go away." I never felt that anyone wanted to listen to me or help me. I also remember occasions when my birth mother came to visit. I was kept in my room while she spent time with my siblings. The staff never questioned why this was happening or checked on how it was affecting me. They simply left me alone in my room, distressed and overwhelmed, and again told me to "shut up and go away." These experiences left me feeling invisible, unwanted, and as though I did not matter. Instead of receiving the care, reassurance, and protection that I needed as a young child, I was made to feel ignored, rejected, and emotionally neglected.

Your statement for Care setting 2

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Q1 | What is the name or location of the relevant care setting you were abused in?

(For example, the name of the care home, or the city or region where you lived in foster care or while boarded out).

Ayrshire Council

Do not worry if you are uncertain about dates or time. Please provide your best estimate.

Q2 | When were you abused?
For example: a single date, an age, or an approximate time or time range.

1983 - 1988

You do not have to provide names, if you cannot remember or do not feel comfortable doing so. If you do provide a name it will be passed to Police Scotland.

Q3 | Who was involved in your abuse?
For example: a member of staff, a peer or someone outside the care setting.

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Q4 | On the next page, please provide as much information as you can about:

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My dad later broke his back and was no longer able to look after us. The children's home then sent us back to live with our birth mother and her partner. For around five years after that, my siblings and I were moved constantly between care homes, foster placements, and our mother's care. They would abandon us whenever they wanted to go drinking or simply could not be bothered looking after us. She treated us as though we were disposable. She would take us back whenever she wanted the money that came with caring for us, but as soon as she received it, she would abandon us again. We never had any stability or security and never knew where we were going to end up. I remember one night when my sister and I were dragged out of bed in the middle of the night and told to go to the shop on our own. We were only young children and were frightened, so we refused. As punishment, they beat us with a large belt that had a metal buckle. We were left black and blue from the beating. Afterwards, she told us that if anyone asked, we were to say that we had fallen down the stairs. Because of everything I had been through, I wet the bed regularly. My mother took me to the GP, not because she was concerned about me, but because she wanted to humiliate me. At the time, the bruises from the beating were still visible. Before we went into the appointment, she told me to lie to the doctor and say that I had fallen down the stairs. I did exactly as she told me because I was terrified of what would happen if I told the truth. She would also force my sister and me to fight each other as a form of punishment. We were children, but instead of protecting us, she made us hurt one another. My entire childhood during this period was frightening and traumatic. Whenever we were taken into care, we were often covered in bruises, underfed, and clearly neglected. Despite our condition, I do not remember anyone asking us what had happened or investigating why we were returning in that state. We were simply taken back to our mother on her request. I believe Social Services were aware that we were being abused, yet we continued to be returned to our mother's care. Looking back, I feel that they turned a blind eye to what was happening and failed to protect us when we needed them the most.

Your statement for Care setting 3

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Q1 | What is the name or location of the relevant care setting you were abused in?

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Children Home Uddingston

Do not worry if you are uncertain about dates or time. Please provide your best estimate.

Q2 | When were you abused?

For example: a single date, an age, or an approximate time or time range.

1991

You do not have to provide names, if you cannot remember or do not feel comfortable doing so. If you do provide a name it will be passed to Police Scotland.

Q3 | Who was involved in your abuse?

For example: a member of staff, a peer or someone outside the care setting.

John Lindsey

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Whilst living with my father after his accident, we lived in unsafe and deprived areas. He did his best to care for us, but his circumstances made life very difficult. I was raped and abused multiple times by men. I struggled to cope with everything I had experienced and began acting out. At the age of 15, feeling overwhelmed and unable to manage my trauma, I made the decision to place myself into care in the hope of receiving the support I needed.

I remember a staff member, the name John Lindsey is in my head, used to take us on what he called "day trips" in his car. There would usually be three of us in the back, but I was always made to sit in the front beside him. He would offer to let me learn to drive, he would let me change the gears. He used to place his hand on top of mine and touch me in a way that made me uncomfortable. I never felt safe with him. At the time, I was still trying to recover from being hurt, and I already felt very vulnerable around men. Whenever John asked if I wanted to go for a drive, I never felt like I could say no. It was a fight-or-flight situation for me. I was frightened about what might happen if I refused, so I felt I had no choice but to go. During these trips and around the home he would touch me in ways that made me feel extremely uncomfortable. His behaviour was inappropriate, and I felt that he was taking advantage of how vulnerable I was. He would always make a beeline towards me whenever he had the opportunity. Looking back, I believe this was a pattern of grooming. It was subtle but constant, and I felt that the other members of staff could see what was happening, yet nobody stepped in or protected me.

One night, I woke up and saw someone leaving my room. When I looked down, I realised that my top had been pulled up. I was terrified. I began convincing myself that I must have imagined it because I did not want to believe that this was happening to me. I had been called a liar so many times throughout my time in care that I no longer trusted my own thoughts or memories. The emotional and psychological abuse I experienced made me question what I knew to be true.

As time went on, I started going off the rails. I was only 15 years old and was struggling to cope with everything I had been experienced. Instead of receiving care, support, or understanding, I felt completely abandoned. I was left to deal with my trauma on my own, and my behaviour reflected the pain and distress I was carrying. Rather than recognising that I needed help, I felt I was simply written off and left without the care and protection that every child deserves.

Your statement for Care setting 4

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Q2 | When were you abused?
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Do you want help
with this section?

If you want help before sending in the form, you can:

- read page 32 of the “Help to apply” guidance
- contact a case worker

The next section has questions about your supporting documents.

Section 3: Supporting documents

Please provide any supporting documents you have related to your abuse in care.

You can find out more about these types of documents on page 33 of the “Help to apply” guidance.

In some cases, it may be difficult to find supporting documents. To help with this part of the application, you can:

- include supporting documents when you send this part of the form, if you already have them
- send in your form without any supporting documents – your case worker will get in touch with you and have a conversation about what you can provide

Please tick which option you have chosen:

- ☒ I am including supporting documents with my form
- ☒ I am not including supporting documents
(if you tick this, a case worker will contact you)
- ☒ I am collecting my documents and will submit them a later date

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The next section has a declaration you must sign and details about how your information is kept and shared.

Section 4: Declaration and privacy notice

In this section, you must sign your form.

For information about how Scotland's Redress Scheme will record and protect your personal information, please read the Privacy Notice for Scotland's Redress Scheme. You can find this on mygov.scot/redress.

Before you send your application you must agree to these statements:

I confirm that the details and information I have given in this application form are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I understand that I must notify Scotland's Redress Scheme of changes in my circumstances that may affect my application.

I confirm that if any of the information I gave in Part 1, Section 8 (related to previous payments and convictions) changes, I must let my case worker know.

I confirm that any documents I have provided in support of my application are genuine and any copy is a true copy of the original. I understand that if I provide a document which is not genuine, I may be subject to court proceedings.

I understand that if I give false or misleading information in support of my application or make a fraudulent application I may:

- be subject to court proceedings
- have to re-pay any money I was not entitled to

I confirm I have read and understood the Privacy Notice for Scotland's Redress Scheme which explains how the information I provide will be lawfully used and stored.

Your signature

Rozel Reilly

Date

16/07/2026

Next steps

This is the end of Part 3. You do not need to submit your forms all at once. Once you are ready, you can submit your forms by email.

Afterwards, a case worker will contact you to confirm:

- they have received your application
- if they have any follow up questions
- next steps

By email

Please submit your application and any relevant documents to:

apply@redress-scheme.scot

If you would like to contact a case worker

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