Understanding the cost for care

Helping you and your family understand the options and costs for long-term care.

Summerset care

We understand it's not easy when the time comes, and you realise that you may need more support and care. Knowing there are options available, we can help you make decisions that work for you and your family.

At Summerset, we know how to look after people. Every day we assist hundreds of New Zealanders who now need that little bit more care and support than they once did.

Whatever your situation, it's good to know you're in safe hands. For almost 25 years we've been the proven, experienced and trusted company New Zealanders look to in their older years. We're certified to offer you rest home and hospital-level care, with round-the-clock nursing care available on site, seven days a week*. We can also offer secure dementia care in state-of-the-art memory care centres at some of our villages, and of course we're proud to be accredited as dementia-friendly by Alzheimer's New Zealand.

The most important thing to us is that you are clear about the accommodation options available, that you make a choice you are happy with and that you understand any associated costs. Our team are here to support you. We can guide you and your family through the process and answer any questions.

Making the right care decision

The first step is to have an assessment which determines the level of care you need. Ask your GP to arrange an assessment for you.

If you or your loved one requires rest home, hospital or rest home-level secure dementia care, Summerset may be able to provide care for you.

There is a charge for this care. The care fee is set by the Ministry of Health and is reviewed every year.

Depending on your financial situation, you may qualify for a Residential Care Subsidy toward the care fee. Find out more by visiting **workandincome.govt.nz**.

Once you or your loved one has been assessed, the next step is to choose a room and payment option which suits you.



^{*} Level of care and payment options may vary by village. Please speak to our Care Centre Manager or Sales Manager to discuss the options at the village you are inquiring for.

Accommodation options

We have a variety of accommodation choices, with different financial options. Availability and options may differ between villages. Our friendly team will be happy to talk through the different ways we can care for you.

Standard rooms

A standard room is located in our care centre and may include a shared ensuite. You can receive rest home and hospital-level care in a standard room. If you choose this option, you only pay the **care fee** for your accommodation and care. You still receive the same level of high quality care provided to everyone in our care centre.

Premium rooms

Our premium rooms are located in our care centre, offering a larger room and include a private ensuite bathroom. They may also include a balcony and/or kitchenette and offer you a view. You can receive rest home and hospital-level care in our premium rooms. There is an additional cost for this room. At some of

our villages we have a choice of premium rooms with different ways to pay; either a **daily accommodation premium fee** or **licence to occupy**.

Serviced apartments

Our serviced apartments are located within our village centre, close to village facilities, providing supported living packages up to and including rest home-level care

Serviced apartments offer a double bedroom, ensuite, living area with kitchenette, and storage. These apartments are purchased under a **licence to occupy**.

Memory care apartments

Our memory care centres provide modern apartmentstyle homes for people living with rest home-level dementia. Our memory care centres offer innovative design for freedom of movement in a secure environment. These apartments are purchased under a **licence to occupy**.

Room type and payment method

Our care centres offer a choice of room types. They range in size, features, price and in the case of premium rooms, ways to pay. The types and number of rooms offered, as well as payment options vary from village to village.

Standard Room **Premium Room Memory Care Apartment** or Serviced Apartment **Care Fee Option 1: Daily Accommodation** Licence to Occupy **Premium Fee** If you choose a Standard Room, Our memory care apartments you only pay the care fee. This fee If you choose a Premium Room, and serviced apartments are is set by the Ministry of Health. you pay the care fee, plus an purchased under a licence additional charge for the premium to occupy with a deferred The care fee covers your: meals, management fee. The deferred room, known as the daily accommodation, laundry, management fee (DMF) of 25% accommodation premium. cleaning, personal care needs, is accrued over two years and nurse supervision, and standard deducted from your repayment doctors visits. **Option 2: Licence** sum when you exit. As with all to Occupy room options, you will still pay the care fee. Instead of paying the daily accommodation premium, you can choose a licence to occupy and pay a licence fee upfront. The advantage of this option is

cost certainty. Once you've paid the licence fee, you don't have to pay an ongoing premium fee while you live in the room. There is a deferred management fee (DMF) of 25% accrued over two years which is deducted from your repayment sum when you exit. As with all room options, you will still

pay the care fee.

You'll probably have questions

A lot of people have questions about how their care arrangements will work. We're happy to answer these one on one of course – but here are some of the more common questions we get asked.

Q: The difference between daily accommodation premium fee and licence to occupy – how to choose?

A: The daily accommodation premium fee is charged for your room by the day, for the entire time you are in our care centre. A licence to occupy is a one off payment which you may find to be more cost effective if you are in our care centre for a longer period of time, and it gives cost certainty.

Comparing a daily accommodation charge with licence to occupy (LTO) - Example

Premium Room with a Daily Accommodation Premium of \$75		Premium Room purchased with a Licence Payment of \$240,000		
Timeframe	Cumulative cost	Timeframe	Cumulative cost	
After 1 Year	\$27,375	After 1 Year DMF	\$36,000	
After 2 Years	\$54,750	After 2 Years DMF	\$60,000	
After 3 Years	\$82,125	After 3 Years DMF	\$60,000	

Q: What's the deferred management fee and how does that actually work?

A: The deferred management fee (DMF) is accrued over two years and is capped at 25% of the licence to payment.

For example if your licence payment for your room was \$240,000 the DMF would be deducted as follows:

Period in Care Room	DMF Percentage	Amount of fee	Total DMF	Repayment Sum (Licence fee less DMF accrued)
On Entry	5%	\$12,000	\$12,000	\$228,000
After year 1	10%	\$24,000	\$36,000	\$204,000
After year 2	10%	\$24,000	\$60,000	\$180,000
From year 3	Fully accrued	Nil	\$60,000	\$180,000

Q: If I am purchasing a care room under a licence to occupy, do I have to pay a weekly village fee?

A: Effectively, no you don't as the weekly fee is fully offset against the accommodation portion of the care fee you are already paying.

Q: What happens if my home needs to be sold in order to purchase a licence to occupy?

A: Talk to one of our sales team. They can talk you through the options that may be available to assist in providing care in your chosen room before your home is sold.

Q: Do I have to get a needs assessment?

A: Yes. You need to do this because it determines what level of care we need to provide you; rest home, hospital or rest home dementia.



SUMMERSET SURE GUARANTEE

If you decide that a Summerset life is not for you, you can activate your Summerset Sure guarantee. This means you have:

- 30 days to decide if your occupation right for your memory care apartment or premium room is right for your; or
- 90 days to decide if your serviced apartment is right for you.

If you're unhappy with your decision (other than for health reasons), we will refund your licence payment in full. Some conditions apply.

Q: How does the licence to occupy work?

A: A licence to occupy (LTO) has three parts:

You pay this before you move in	You pay this while you live in our village	You receive this back when you exit
A \$3000 deposit. This is fully refundable if you should decide to cancel your application.	The care fee.	Your repayment sum. This is the licence payment you paid before you moved in minus the deferred management fee (DMF) and any outstanding charges.
Plus a licence payment for the room.	Plus any additional charges such as phone, internet, hairdresser etc.	This DMF is accrued and capped at 25% of the licence payment.

What is a maximum contribution?

A: If you require long-term residential care you will generally only pay the maximum contribution rate for your care regardless of your care level, as set by the Ministry of Health. A residential care subsidy may apply through WINZ.

What are the next steps from here?

Changes in independence can be challenging and upsetting, but at Summerset we can provide a range of different care options to help you retain as much independence as possible.

To make the move into care at Summerset, there are two things you need to do:

- Firstly, ask your GP to organise a needs assessment to determine what level of care you require.
- Arrange to meet with your Summerset village Care Centre Manager and Sales Manager to discuss availability, and which care and accommodation options will work for you and your family.

We also recommend you complete a WINZ Financial Means Assessment to see what subsidies and support you may be eligible for. You'll find this at **workandincome.govt.nz**.

Thank you for trusting Summerset to look after you or your family member.



