

How to Become A Self-Employed Carer

(And why it's absolutely worth it)



Welcome

Welcome to a Better Way to Care

If you're a carer who's felt underpaid, undervalued, or overstretched — this guide is for you.

The current care system doesn't work for the people delivering it. Agencies take a huge cut, shift patterns aren't always what you need, and it's easy to feel like just another cog in the wheel.

But you deserve more — and it's possible.

Just Care Community is here to help you step into freedom, flexibility, and fair pay. We're creating a platform that connects independent carers with clients — cutting out the agencies and putting the power back in your hands.

This short guide gives you a clear, confidence-boosting start.

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Why Self-Employment Makes Sense

5 Reasons to Go Independent in 2025:

1. More Control – Choose your hours, clients, and availability.
2. Better Pay – Get paid fairly for the valuable work you do
3. Build Real Relationships – Clients choose you for who you are, not who you're sent by.
4. Flexibility for Real Life – Be more in control of your time
5. You're Not Alone

With Just Care Community, you'll have tools, templates, and a community of other carers by your side.

Below is a Carer Earnings Comparison Chart 

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Scenario (per hour)	Agency Pay	Client Pays Agency	Independent Carer Rate	Carer Keeps
Standard Day Rate (Example)	£10–£12	£20–£25	£18–£22	£18–£22
Live-In Care (per day)	£100–£120	£200–£250	£140–£180	£140–£180
Annual (Live-In, 5 days/wk)	£26k–£31k	£52k–£65k	£36k–£46k	£36k–£46k

Disclaimer: Figures are estimates based on UK averages in 2025. Actual earnings vary depending on hours, location, and agreements with clients.

Your 5-Step Self-Employment Checklist

Starting out doesn't have to be scary. Here's your simple checklist:

Register as Self-Employed

- In the UK: [GOV.UK link]
- In Spain: [Register Autonomo]

Get Basic Insurance

Public liability and (if needed) professional indemnity.

Set Your Hourly Rate

Be clear and fair — and value your skills!

Create a Simple Profile

Use a friendly photo, list your experience, and include testimonials if you have them.

Start Finding Clients

Start with friends, neighbours, local groups — and soon, Just Care Community.

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What's Just Care Community?

We're building something special.

Just Care Community is a platform that connects carers directly with people who need care — ethically, affordably, and with *zero agency middlemen*.

You'll be able to:

- Create a free carer profile
- Set your own availability and rates
- Be found by clients in your area
- Access tools, support, and a caring community

All designed to put freedom and fairness back into care.

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Want to Be the First to Join?

We're not live yet — but you will now be one of the first to know when we are.

Over the next few weeks we will update you on our progress and when the platform goes live. You will have access to:

- Our carer toolkit
- Platform launch alerts
- Insider updates and support

You deserve to love the work you do.
We're here to help make that happen.

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