



City of Port Lincoln

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REBATE RATE APPLICATION FORM

1. Applicant Details

Organisation/Name _____

Postal Address _____

Telephone/Mobile _____

Email _____

If the applicant is not a natural person, please provide details of a contact person for the Applicant.

Full Name _____

Postal Address _____

Telephone/Mobile _____

Email _____

2. Details of Land (refer to your Rates Notice(s))

Property Number (6 digits) _____ Valuation Number (10 digits) _____

Certificate of Title(s) Reference _____

Property Address _____

Owner/s of Land (if not you) _____

It is an offence for a person or body to make a false or misleading statement or representation in an application or to provide false or misleading information or evidence in support of an application made (or purporting to be made) under the Act. The maximum penalty for this offence is \$5,000 (Section 159(2) of the Local Government Act 1999).

3. Categories of Rebate – Mandatory and Discretionary

Please tick the category of rebate under which you are seeking a rebate.

Note that you can only be eligible for either a Mandatory Rebate or Discretionary Rebate, not both.

3.1 MANDATORY REBATES

- Health Services (100%)** – land being predominantly used for service delivery or administration by a hospital or health centre incorporated under the South Australia Health Commission Act 1976.
- Religious Purposes (100%)** – land containing a church or other building used for public worship (and any grounds), or land solely used for religious purposes.

- Public Cemeteries (100%)** – land being used for the purposes of a public cemetery.
- Royal Zoological Society of SA (100%)** – land (other than land used as domestic premises) owned by, or under the care, control and management of, the Royal Zoological Society of South Australia Incorporated.
- Educational Purposes (75%)**

Which of the following criteria apply, please tick one:

- land occupied by a government school under a lease or licence and being used for educational purposes; or
 - land occupied by a non-government school registered under the Education and Early Childhood Services (Registration and Standards) Act 2011 and being used for educational purposes; or
 - land being used by a University or University College to provide accommodation and other forms of support for students on a not-for-profit basis.
- Community Services (75%)** – land being predominantly used for service delivery or administration (or both) by a community service organisation.

Does your organisation satisfy all of the following three criteria:-

- (a) is incorporated on a not-for-profit basis for the benefit of the public; and
- (b) provides community services without charge or for a charge that is below the cost to the body of providing the services; and
- (c) does not restrict its services to persons who are members of the body.

If you have ticked (a), (b) and (c) above, which of the following services does your organisation provide. You must provide one or more of the following services below to qualify for the Community Service rebate.

- Community **Housing Association** that currently provides accommodation and is registered under the Community Housing Providers (National Law) (South Australia) Act 2013;
- emergency accommodation;
- food or clothing for disadvantaged persons (ie persons who are disadvantaged by reason of poverty, illness, frailty, or mental, intellectual or physical disability);
- supported accommodation (ie residential care facilities in receipt of Commonwealth funding or accommodation for persons with mental health, intellectual, physical or other difficulties who require support in order to live an independent life);
- Housing Association Properties – 75% Rebate**
supported accommodation (ie accommodation for persons with mental health, intellectual, physical or other difficulties who require support in order to live an independent life);
- essential services, or employment support, for persons with mental health disabilities, or with intellectual or physical disabilities;

- legal services for disadvantaged persons;
- drug or alcohol rehabilitation services; and/or
- research into, or community education about, diseases or illnesses, or palliative care to persons who suffer from diseases or illnesses.
- Other – please specify

3.1.1. Amount of Rebate

If you are seeking a mandatory rebate for which you are entitled to a 75% rebate, are you also applying to the Council to increase that rebate?

YES NO

Please specify the amount of rebate that you are applying for:-

3.1.2 Supporting Information

The Council requires you to attach the following information in support of your Mandatory Rebate Application:-

1. a copy of the organisation’s Constitution and/or other documentation establishing that it is incorporated on a not-for-profit basis;
2. a copy of the organisation’s latest Annual Report;
3. evidence that the land is being used specifically for the purpose for which the rebate is being sought;
4. evidence of the status of your organisation as a not-for-profit or charitable tax exempt organisation;
5. whether you are in receipt of a community grant;
6. any other information that you believe is relevant in support of this application.

If you are requesting a mandatory rebate under Community Services you must also provide:

1. evidence that the land is being used for service delivery and/or administration;
2. evidence that the organisation provides services free of charge or below cost;
3. evidence that the organisation provides services to persons other than members;
4. information as to whether, and if so to what extent, you (or your organisation) will be providing a service within the Council area;
5. the extent of financial assistance (if any) being provided by Commonwealth or State agencies.

Please note: failure to provide the supporting information could result in no rebate being granted or a lesser percentage rebate being applied if the criteria are not met under the Local Government Act 1999.

3.2 DISCRETIONARY REBATE

The Council may in its discretion grant a rebate of rates or service charges in any of the following cases. Please indicate which of the following is applicable to your application:-

- the rebate is desirable for the purpose of securing the proper development of the area (or a part of the area);
- the rebate is desirable for the purpose of assisting or supporting a business in its area;
- the rebate will be conducive to the preservation of buildings or places of historic significance;
- the land is being used for educational purposes;
- the land is being used for agricultural, horticultural or floricultural exhibitions;
- the land is being used for a hospital or health centre;
- the land is being used to provide facilities or services for children or young persons;
- the land is being used to provide accommodation for the aged or disabled;
- the land is being used for a residential aged care facility that is approved for Commonwealth funding under the Aged Care Act 1997 (Commonwealth) or a day therapy centre;
- the land is being used by an organisation which provides a benefit or service to the local community;
- the rebate relates to common property or land vested in a community corporation under the Community Titles Act 1996 over which the public has a free and unrestricted right of access and enjoyment;
- the rebate is appropriate to provide relief against what would otherwise amount to a substantial change in rates payable by a ratepayer due to a change in the basis of valuation used for the purposes of rating, rapid changes in valuations, or anomalies in valuations.

3.2.1. Amount of Rebate

If you are applying for a discretionary rebate under Clause 3.2 of this Application, please specify the rebate amount you are applying for.

Please specify why you (or your organisation) qualify for financial assistance for a Discretionary Rebate and why the amount of rebate you have applied for is appropriate.

3.2.2. Supporting Information

The Council requires you to attach the following information in support of your Discretionary Rebate Application:-

1. evidence that the land is being used for the purpose for which the rebate is being sought;
2. information as to whether, and if so to what extent, you (or your organisation) will be providing a service within the Council area;
3. a copy of the organisations' latest Annual Report;
4. whether you are in receipt of a community grant;
5. whether you have made or intend to make an application to another Council;
6. the extent of financial assistance (if any) being provided by Commonwealth or State agencies;
7. whether you have made other applications to Council for financial assistance or are intending to and why (ie Discretionary Ward Allowance);
8. evidence of the status of your organisation as a not-for-profit or charitable tax exempt organisation;
9. a copy of the organisation's Constitution and/or other documentation establishing that it is incorporated on a not-for-profit basis;
10. information as to whether, and if so to what extent, you (or your organisation) will be providing a service within the Council area;
11. any other information that you believe is relevant in support of this Application.

Please note: failure to provide the supporting information could result in no rebate being granted or a lesser percentage rebate being applied if the criteria are not met under the Local Government Act 1999.

4. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

A failure to submit application forms or to provide the additional information required by the Council to assess the application may result in the Council refusing to consider the application.

The Council may grant a rebate of rates or charges on such conditions as the Council thinks fit.

Under the Act, Section 159(7), if a person or body has the benefit of a rebate of rates and the grounds on which the rebate has been granted cease to exist, the person or body must immediately inform the council of that fact and (whether or not the Council is so informed) the entitlement to a rebate ceases.

Section 159(8) states, if a person or body fails to comply with subsection (7), that person or body is guilty of an offence and liable to a maximum penalty of \$5,000.

The Council may, for proper cause, determine that an entitlement to a rebate of rates under the Act no longer applies.

Where an entitlement to a rebate of rates ceases or no longer applies during the course of a financial year, the Council is entitled to recover rates, or rates at the increased level (as the case may be), proportionate to the remaining part of the financial year.

I declare that the information I have provided on and attached to this form is true.

DATED the _____ day of _____ 20 _____

Printed Name: _____

Position Title: _____

Signature: _____

The Application form and all supporting information may be submitted:-

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