

## Objective of the policy

To remove Uniform Annual General Charges (UAGC) and certain targeted rates on properties when circumstances dictate that it would be inappropriate to charge them.

Use this application form when applying for rates remission under policies:

Remission of Rates – Residential uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) and certain Targeted Rates on Multiple Residential and lifestyle Properties.

Remission of Rates Multiple UAGC and Certain Targeted Rates on Rural Land Properties.

Policy conditions and criteria

1. In the case where a rating unit contains one or more dwellings, units, flats, cottages, apartments or self-contained sleeping accommodation, Council may apply a discretionary remission of one or more UAGC charges, and/or one or more water rates or refuse collection sticker rates.
2. This remission will apply in the following circumstances:
  - Where there are multiple dwellings recorded on the valuation records but which are not actually being used as dwellings.
  - Where the dwelling is in derelict, uninhabitable condition.
  - Where the dwelling is vacant for more than three months of the current rating year and no income has been derived from the use of the dwelling.
  - Where there are multiple dwellings but they are being used by members of the direct family of the ratepayer (eg granny flat for teenagers).
  - Where an employee is required to live in the dwelling because it is essential to the ongoing operation of the business.
3. Applications for the remission must be made by the ratepayer.
4. The criteria which will be taken into account in deciding whether a remission will be granted are:
  - Are there physical conditions which would make it inappropriate or impractical for the additional dwellings or flats to be inhabited?
  - Is it otherwise sensible in the circumstances for a remission to be given?
5. The discretionary remission will be decided by Council with delegated responsibility to certain officers of Council. Renewal applications may be approved by the delegated Council officer.
6. The discretionary remissions will be granted on one or more of the following for up to 3 years: a. Uniform Annual General Charge
  - Water supply connection charge
  - Refuse collection or transfer station refuse sticker charges d. Sewerage connection charge.Each remission will be reviewed annually.
7. The remission period will commence in the rating year in which the application is made.

## Purpose of the Policy

8. The information collected and provided in this application is for the purpose of processing your application and may be published or discussed in public meetings of Council in accordance with the Local Government Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the Privacy Act 1993. Council may also use the information collected for other Council purposes. If you have any privacy concerns please speak with staff.

# Application Remission of Rates



## Remission of Uniform Annual General Charges on Certain Targeted Rates for Residential and Rural Properties

Apply to remove UAGC charges and certain targeted rates on residential and rural properties when circumstances dictate that it would be inappropriate to charge them.

Use this form when applying for rates remission under policy:

**Remission of Rates – Residential Uniform Annual General Charge (UAGC) and Certain Targeted Rates on Multiple Residential and Lifestyle Properties.**

**Remission of Rates Multiple UAGC and Certain Targeted Rates in Rural Land Properties**

Please read the full Rating Remission, Postponement and Penalty Policies on our website.

### 1. Applicant details

Name:

Wish to apply for an exemption from the need to pay any additional UAGCs and other targeted charges in respect of the following rating unit.

Valuation number:

Property address:

### 2. Property details

The total number of separately used or inhabited parts of my rating unit (ie house, flat, unit, cottage etc which appear on this rating unit are:

I request Council approve a remission of:

Number of Uniform Annual General Charges.

Number of Targeted Rates charges for water connection, refuse or transfer station stickers.

### 3. Reasons for remission

Please tick the following reasons for remission:

There are multiple dwellings recorded on the valuation record but which are not actually being used as dwellings.

The dwelling is in derelict, uninhabitable condition.

The dwelling has been vacant for more than three months of the current rating year and no income has been derived from the use of the dwelling.

There are multiple dwellings but they are being used by members of the direct family of the ratepayer (eg granny flats for teenagers).

a. What is the relationship of the occupant to the ratepayer?

b. Is any rent charged?    Yes    No    If yes, how much rent is charged? \$

An employee is required to live in the dwelling because it is essential to the ongoing operation of the business.

a. Is the employee full time?    Yes    No

b. Why is it essential for the employee to live on site?

c. Is any rent charged?    Yes    No    If yes, how much rent is charged? \$

Please enter the name of the person or persons occupying the separate parts and whether they are the owner family or an employee.

Valuation Number:

## Separate Units

## Use

## Inhabited by

Unit 1

Unit 2

Unit 3

Unit 4

## 4. Information required

Declaration form signed before a Justice of the Peace, or other person authorised to take a statutory declaration.

## 5. Applicant checklist

I have filled out the application form.

I have signed and have had the statutory declaration below witnessed.

I have spoken to staff with regard to privacy concerns.

Please note all the above must be included as part of your application for consideration of a rates remission.

## Declaration

I:

of:

Valuation Number:

Solemnly and sincerely declare that the information provided in this application for exemption from the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 charges on separately used or inhabited parts of a rating unit is true and correct.

I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the Oaths and Declarations Act 1957.

Signed:

Declared at:

this

day of 20

## Justice of the Peace or other person authorised to take a statutory declaration

### Section 111 of the Crimes Act 1961 states:

#### 111. False statements or declarations

Everyone is liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 years who, on any occasion on which he is required or permitted by law to make any statement or declaration before any officer or person authorised by law to take or receive it, or before any notary public to be certified by him as such notary, makes a statement or declaration that would amount to perjury if made on oath in a judicial proceeding.