

Application for Permanent Crop Rate Remission



! **The objective** is to maintain relativity in the rates paid between horticulturists who grow permanent crops and those who grow annual crops.

Under the capital value rating schemes, permanent crops are regarded as part of the Capital Value. This includes structures, infrastructure and the licence (eg for Gold3 and Zespri Red kiwifruit and other horticultural crops such as apple varieties).

This means that 2 identical farms, one of which grows a permanent crop such as citrus and the other grows an annual crop such as squash could pay completely different rates based on Capital Value, even if their utilisation of Council's infrastructure such as roads, may be the same.

The remission period is for the current financial year. You need to reapply each year.

The rate remission value must be greater than \$100 but no more than \$7,000 which will be calculated on and applied to the subsidised local roading rate. The valuation information for the capitalised crop is calculated by Council's rating valuer and is used as the base.

For the **conditions and criteria**, see section 4.

1. Contact details

Ratepayer's name:

Email:

Postal address:

No. Street/Road

Suburb

Town/City

Postcode

Mobile:

Other phone:

2. Property with the permanent crop

Valuation number:

Type of permanent crop, list each crop separately	Crop age	Net, or if applicable, licensed area size of permanent crop
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Were there **any changes** to the property (eg. buildings, structure, removal of crop, new crop planted)?

Removed/ Added	Description
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Area size for permanent crop, or N/A for building, structure

3. Signature

Signature:

Date:

The applicant must ensure the data provided is correct.

4. Conditions and Criteria

- Application must support the objectives of this policy.
- The land must be a horticultural block on which permanent crops comprise part of the property's capital value.
- The rates remitted under this policy will be on application from the ratepayer and for the targeted subsidised roading rates, on the portion of their capital value which is due to capitalised crop value. In some cases, such as financial hardship, the rates remitted may also include general rates set on capital value.

Note: Council's valuers will provide additional valuation data on all properties with a land use classification of **horticultural**.

This additional data will be the capital value of the permanent crops plus the capital value of any supporting structures for those crops. It will not include other items such as irrigation systems, packing shed and the like.