



PAROO SHIRE COUNCIL

Pensioner Subsidy Form

Guidelines for State Government Scheme for 20% subsidisation of Rates & Charges

An approved pensioner is a pensioner who:

- is and remains an eligible holder of a Queensland “Pensioner Concession Card” issued by Centrelink, on behalf of the Department of Family and Community Services, or the Department of Veterans’ Affairs, or a Queensland “Repatriation Health Card - For All Conditions” (Gold Card) issued by the Department of Veterans’ Affairs; and
- is the owner or life tenant (either solely or jointly) of the property which is located in Queensland and which is his/her principal place of residence; and
- has, either solely or jointly with a co-owner, the legal responsibility for the payment of rates and charges as defined herein, which are levied in respect of the said property by the Local Government in whose area the property is situated.
- in cases of co-ownership, the State Government subsidy will apply only to the approved pensioner’s proportionate share of the gross rates and charges. Except where the co-owners are:
 - an approved pensioner and his/her spouse; or
 - an approved pensioner and a bank, other financial institution, or government department where the latter holds joint title for debt security purposes and has no responsibility for rates, charges or other costs of maintaining the property.
- Under no circumstances is a pensioner to be regarded as an owner or co-owner unless:
 - his/her name appears as such on the Certificate of Title of the property; or
 - it can be clearly established that the title to the property is held in the name of a bank, other financial institution or government department for debt security reasons and the pensioner has not been relieved of the responsibility to pay all rates and charges levied in respect of the property.

Guidelines for Paroo Shire Council 20% subsidisation of General Rates payable

1. Council’s policy in respect of rate remissions are for age, disability and Veterans’ Affairs pensioners.
2. Council’s remission will be 20% of general rates only (as separate from utility charges like sewerage, water and garbage).
3. Remission of rates apply only if all rates and charges are paid before 30th June in any financial year.

You are requested to contact Paroo Shire Council on (07) 4655 8400 if you would like more information on Pensioner Rates subsidies.



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APPLICANT DETAILS			
Name(s) of applicant(s):			
Street address:			
Suburb:	State:	Post code:	
Postal address: <i>Enter if different from street address.</i>			
Suburb:	State:	Post code:	
Phone:	Mobile:		
Email			
Type of pension received by each applicant:			
Pension Concession Card number(s):			
Pension Concession Card issue date(s):			
Age of each applicant:			
Are you the full and only owner(s) of the property?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
If no, what share of the property do you own?	<input type="checkbox"/> Half <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		
Do you reside on the property?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Is the property your principal place of residence?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Statutory Declaration

I/we, the applicant(s), do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that the information set forth above by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant signature	Print Name	Date
Applicant signature	Print Name	Date



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Customer Consent

For the sole purpose of authorising Paroo Shire Council to confirm with Centrelink/Dept of Veterans Affairs whether or not the detail I have provided matches Centrelink or other Commonwealth portfolio department or agency records in relation to the current status of my Commonwealth Benefit:

I _____ authorise Paroo Shire Council to confirm with Centrelink/Department of Veterans Affairs the following details:

- CRN/DVARN
- address
- name
- postcode, and
- that I am a valid concessional card holder

I agree that, unless I revoke my consent, this Customer Consent record is a permanent consent, and may be relied on by Paroo Shire Council until such time as I revoke it.

I may revoke this Customer Consent record at any time by giving Paroo Shire Council written notice that my consent is revoked. I understand if I revoke this consent, I may not be eligible for the concession given by the Paroo Shire Council.

I acknowledge I have read and understood this Customer Consent record.

_____ Applicant signature	_____ Print Name	_____ Date
_____ Applicant signature	_____ Print Name	_____ Date

Please return the form to and/or for more information contact:

Email: council@paroo.qld.gov.au

By post: Attn: Accounts Receivable Officer

In person: Attn: Accounts Receivable Officer
Paroo Shire Council Main Office,
CCEC Building, 49 Stockyard Street, Cunnamulla

Paroo Shire Council
PO Box 75
Cunnamulla Q 4490

OFFICE USE ONLY					
Date received:		Particulars checked by:			
Assessment number:					
Gross Rates & Charges:	\$	General Rates:	\$		
Remission recommended:	State:	\$	Remission allowed:	State:	\$
	Council:	\$		Council:	\$
	Fire service:	\$		Fire service:	\$
Signed off by CEO:					

The Information collected in this form will be used by Council for a lawful purpose directly related to the functions and activities of the Council. Your personal details will not be disclosed to a third party outside the process of dealing with your application, except where required by legislation (including the Right to Information ACT 2009) or as required by the Public Records Act 2002.