

Rates rebates for retirement village residents 2022

Information for village operators, associates and village resident committee officials





Rates rebates: The basics

The Rates Rebate Scheme was established in 1973 to provide a subsidy to low-income homeowners on the cost of their rates

In **2006** changes to the scheme increased the number of households receiving a rebate from **4,200** to more than **112,000**

In **2018** the legislation was amended to allow Retirement Village residents holding a Licence to Occupy agreement to apply **Te Kāwanatanga o Aotearoa** New Zealand Government

Rates Rebate Scheme

The Rates Rebate Scheme provides a refund for low income earners who were paying rates for the home they were living in on 1 July. The rating year runs from 1 July to 30 June.

How do I apply?

Application forms are available from your local council or can be downloaded at **www.govt.nz/rates-rebates**

You need to apply to your local council.

Applications close on **30 JUNE.**

What do I need to provide?

- Accurate information about your income (and that of any spouse/partner and/or joint home owner who lives with you) for the previous tax year.
- Your regional council rates bill if received separately.

Where do I go for help?

Contact your local council. Their details will be on your rates bill or you can go to **www.localcouncils.govt.nz**



How the process works

1. Village operator completes the declaration certificate



2. Resident completes the rates rebate application form

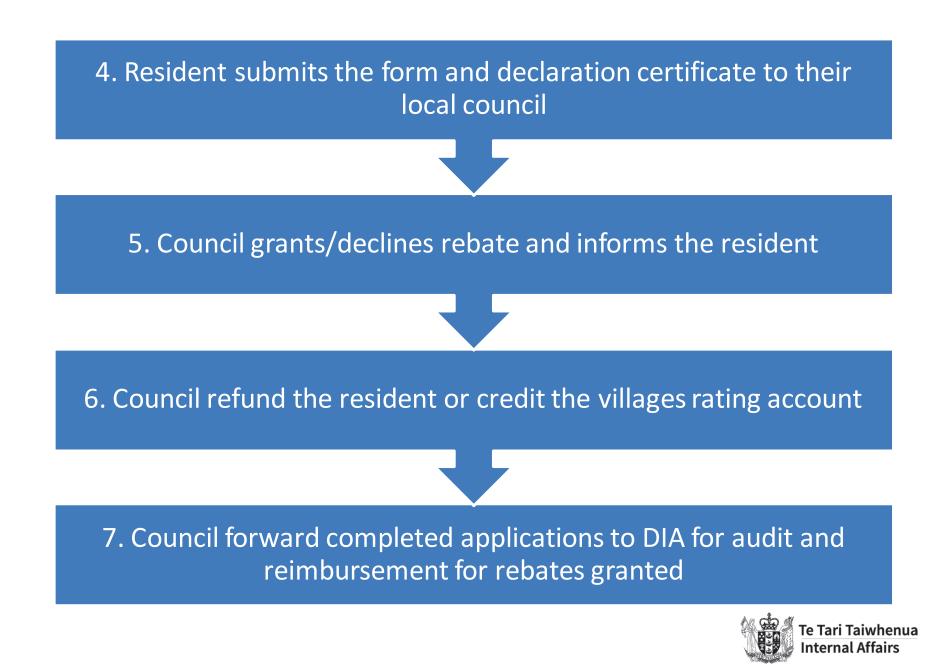


3. Resident signs the declaration

(No longer a statutory declaration since 7 August 2020)



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Completing the declaration certificate

Village operators need to complete a declaration certificate for residents:

- who live in a residential unit in the retirement village but are not named as a ratepayer for the unit; and
- who contribute to the outgoings of the retirement village.

If the resident is named on the council's rating database as the ratepayer for their unit a declaration certificate is not required.



Rates Rebate declaration certificate Resident of a retirement village unit	2021/22
The resident must attach this completed document to their Rates Rebate Application Form.	
1. The village operator must sign this certificate for each resident who wants to apply	Rates Rebate declaration certificate Resident of a retirement village unit
Name and address of the retirement village	Applying under section 7A of the Rates Rebate Act 1973
	The resident must attach this completed document to their Rates Rebate Application Form.
	The village operator must complete this certificate for each resident who wants to apply
Name of resident (applicant)	Name and address of the retirement village
Address of resident's unit	
/aluation Reference (if known)	Name of resident (applicant)
	Address of resident's unit
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\$	
The resident's rates contribution for the current rating year (includes council, regional and water rates)	Total amount of rates the village pays for the current rating year (includes council, regional and water rates
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Full name of operator	· ·
	In accordance with section 7A of the Rates Rebate Act 1973 I confirm that the above information is correct and that the resident contributed to rates under a written agreement with the operator.
Signature of	and that the resident contributed to rates under a written agreement with the operator.
operator	Name & Signature
2. Resident to complete	of operator
Direct deposit request	
I request that the council deposit the rates rebate directly into my personal bank	Direct deposit request (applicant to complete)
account and have provided proof of my bank account number.	I request that the council deposit the rates rebate directly into my personal bank
Note: If you do not complete your bank account details below the rebate will be credited to your village's rating account and your	account and have attached a deposit slip confirming my bank account number.
village operator will either: • reduce your annual contribution bill by the rebate amount, or	Note: If you do not complete your bank account details below the rebate will be credited to your village's rating account and y
• pay you directly.	village operator will either reduce your annual contribution bill by the rebate amount, or pay you directly.
Payee name	Payee name
Bank account	Bank account
Signature	58g Signature
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Completed by the village operator

Completed by resident

What information is needed?

The declaration certificate **must state**:

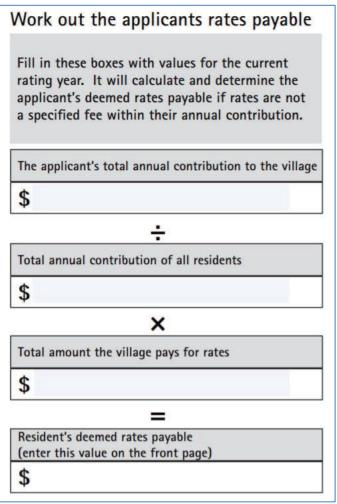
- The total amount of rates payable by the retirement village for that rating year
- The amount of the resident's rates contribution
- That this contribution was made under written agreement; and
- Be signed by the village operator

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Address of re	sident's unit	
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Calculating the resident's rates contribution

If rates are not a specified fee for your residents, use the equation on the declaration certificate to determine the value of rates the resident is deemed payable for rebate





Water rates

- Where water rates are separately charged (provided by the council)
 - The amount known for the previous rating year should be used if you do not yet know how much will be charged for the coming year.
- Where water rates are separately charged (provided by council controlled organisations i.e. Watercare Services Limited)

These are not included as rates.



Rates rebate application form

- Completed by the applicant. Retirement village form needs to be attached
- Forms are available from councils
- Download forms
 <u>www.govt.nz/rates-rebates</u>

Complete the application form

You can print the form to fill it in. Post or drop off your application as explained in Step 4.

Rates rebate application form (PDF 372KB)

You can also ask your local council for paper forms.

List of council maps and websites — Local government in <u>NZ</u> ²²

If one of the following declaration forms applies, include it with your rates rebate application form when you apply.

If you live in a retirement village

Your village manager must complete a declaration form.

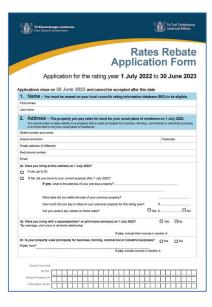
Retirement village residents — Declaration form (PDF 61KB)

If you live in a company-share apartment

The person who is responsible for paying rates for the whole property must sign a declaration form.

Company-share apartment residents — Declaration form (PDF 39KB)

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Applications close on **30 June 2023** and cannot be accepted after this date

1. Name – You must be named on your local council's rating information database (RID) to be eligible.

First names:

Last name:

2. Address – The property you pay rates for must be your usual place of residence on 1 July 2022.

You cannot claim a rates rebate on a property that is used principally for business, farming, commercial or industrial purposes, or a home that is not your usual place of residence.

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Street number and name:		
Suburb and town:	Pos	stcode:
Postal address (if different):		
Best phone number:		
Email:		
 2a. Were you living at this address on 1 July 2022? If yes, go to 2b. If no, did you move to your current property after 1 July 2022? If yes, what is the address of your previous property? 		
What date did you settle the sale of your previous property?		
How much did you pay in rates on your previous property for this rating year	? \$	
Did you receive any rebate on those rates?	□ Yes \$	□ _{No}
2b. Were you living with a spouse/partner* or joint home owner(s) on 1 July 2022? *By marriage, civil union or de facto relationship	□ Ye	es 🗖 No
If yes, include their ir	ncome in section 4	1.
2c. Is your property used principally for business, farming, commercial or industrial pu If yes, how?	rposes? □Ye	s 🔲 No
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These are:					
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4. Income Declaration – For the tax year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022.

Satisfactory proof of income may be required and includes:

- income confirmation from Work and Income
- · income confirmation from Inland Revenue
- investment earning statement for the tax year
- · statement of earnings from your employer

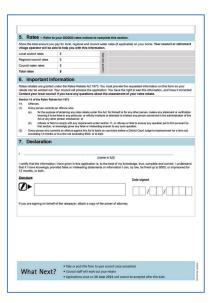
Additionally for self employed people:

- a copy of your complete set of financial accounts, IR3B or IR10 you provided to Inland Revenue for the income year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022
- business losses cannot be offset against other income
- business losses should be entered as \$0

In the table below, show the total income, before tax, that you and your spouse/partner and/or joint homeowner received for the tax year 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022. Indicate your occupation and tick the relevant boxes to show the source(s).

Occupation:			
New Zealand Superannuation	Self-employment	Employment	Jobseeker
Supported Living	☐ Sole Parent	Other (specify):	

Source of income (enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated)	Your income	Partner/joint homeowner income
New Zealand Superannuation	\$	\$
Personal superannuation (includes overseas)	\$	\$
Interest / dividends	\$	\$
Portfolio investments (PIE income)	\$	\$
Wages or salary	\$	\$
Work and Income benefits	\$	\$
Work and Income supplements (e.g. Accommodation Supplement)	\$	\$
Working for Families Tax Credits (excludes Family Tax Credits)	\$	\$
Net business income – enter '0' if a loss	\$	\$
Net rental income - enter '0' if a loss	\$	\$
ACC earnings compensation	\$	\$
Trust income paid to you	\$	\$
Overseas income (converted to \$NZ)	\$	\$
Income from other sources	\$	\$
Individual total	\$	\$
Total combined income	\$	



5. Rates - Refer to your 2022/23 rates notices to complete this section.

Show the total amount you pay for local, regional and council water rates (if applicable) on your home. Your council or retirement village operator will be able to help you with this information.						
Local council rates	\$	anly.				
Regional council rates	\$	es of the second s				

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6. Important Information

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Rates rebates are granted under the Rates Rebate Act 1973. You must provide the requested information on this form so your rebate can be worked out. Your council will process the application. You have the right to see this information, and have it corrected. Contact your local council if you have any questions about the assessment of your rates rebate.

Section 14 of the Rates Rebate Act 1973

14. Offences

Council water rates

Total rates

- Every person commits an offence who-(1)
 - (a) for the purpose of obtaining any rates rebate under this Act, for himself or for any other person, makes any statement or verification knowing it to be false in any particular, or wilfully misleads or attempts to mislead any person concerned in the administration of this Act or any other person whatsoever; or
 - refuses or fails to comply with any requirement under section 11, or refuses or fails to answer any question put to him pursuant to (b) that section, or knowingly gives any false or misleading answer to any such question.
- Every person who commits an offence against this Act is liable on conviction before a District Court Judge to imprisonment for a term not (2)exceeding 12 months or to a fine not exceeding \$500, or to both.

7. Declaration

(name in full)

I certify that the information I have given in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, true, complete and correct. I understand that if I have knowingly provided false or misleading statements or information I can, by law, be fined up to \$500, or imprisoned for 12 months, or both.

Signature



Date signed



If you are signing on behalf of the ratepayer, attach a copy of the power of attorney.



Can people living in retirement villages apply?

Most retirement village residents are able to apply. If you hold a licence to occupy agreement, a separate form is required to be filled in by the retirement village operator and must be included with this form. Contact your village operator or local council for more information.

Rates rebate income eligibility table for households with no dependants. Estimate only.

	Level of Rates												
Household Income	\$1,350	\$1,750	\$2,000	\$2,250	\$2,500	\$2,750	\$3,000	\$3,250	\$3,500	\$3,750	\$4,000	\$4,400	
\$28,000	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	
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\$31,000	\$428.33	\$695.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	
\$32,000	\$303.33	\$570.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	
\$33,000	\$178.33	\$445.00	\$611.67	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	
\$34,000	\$53.33	\$320.00	\$486.67	\$653.33	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	
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		Level of Rates											
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- \$700 maximum rebate
 - determined by income, amount of rates paid and number of dependants
- \$28,080 income threshold
- Rating year is from 1 July to 30 June (e.g. 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2023)
- Usual place of residence as at 1 July of the rating year
- Income to be declared is for the <u>previous tax year</u>, and is the gross amount before tax (e.g. 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022)
- Must apply every year, before end of the rating year 30 June



History of rebate amounts

Rating year	Contribution by ratepayer	Maximum rebate payable	Income limit (increased per dependant)
1973/74	\$50	No limit	\$2,340
1974/75	\$50	No limit	\$2,800
1975/76	\$50	No limit	\$3,400
1976/77	\$50	No limit	\$3,760
1977/78	\$50	No limit	\$3,760
1978/79	\$50	No limit	\$4,235
1979/80	\$100	\$200	\$4,850
1980/81	\$100	\$200	\$4,850
1981/82	\$120	\$200	\$5,700
1982/83	\$160	\$200	\$5,700
1983/84	\$160	\$200	\$5,700
1984/85	\$160	\$200	\$5,700
1985/86	\$160	\$200	\$6,527
1986/87	\$160	\$200	\$6,527
1987/88	\$160	\$200	\$6,527
1988/89	\$160	\$200	\$6,527
1989/90	\$160	\$200	\$6,920
1/4/90 - 30/6/90 (Transitional Qtr)	\$40	\$50	\$1,730
1990/91	\$160	\$200	\$7,400
1991/92	\$160	\$200	\$7,400
1992/93	\$160	\$200	\$7,400
1993/94	\$160	\$200	\$7,400
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1998/99	\$160	\$200	\$7,400
1999/2000	\$160	\$200	\$7,400
2000/01	\$160	\$200	\$7,400
2001/02	\$160	\$200	\$7,400
2002/03	\$160	\$200	\$7,400
2003/04	\$160	\$200	\$7,400

Rating year	Contribution by ratepayer	Maximum rebate payable	Income limit (increased per dependant)
2004/05	\$160	\$200	\$7,400
2005/06	\$160	\$200	\$7,400
2006/07	\$160	\$500	\$20,000
2007/08	\$160	\$500	\$20,000
2008/09	\$160	\$530	\$21,180
2009/10	\$160	\$550	\$21,910
2010/11	\$160	\$570	\$22,340
2011/12	\$160	\$580	\$23,240
2012/13	\$160	\$590	\$23,650
2013/14	\$160	\$595	\$23,870
2014/15	\$160	\$605	\$24,250
2015/16	\$160	\$610	\$24,440
2016/17	\$160	\$610	\$24,470
2017/18	\$160	\$620	\$24,790
2018/19	\$160	\$630	\$25,180
2019/20	\$160	\$640	\$25,660
2020/21	\$160	\$655	\$26,150
2021/22	\$160	\$665	\$26,510
2022/23	\$160	\$700	\$28,080

What if the resident moved in after 1 July?

- If the resident had not moved into the unit by 1 July, they will only be eligible if they were residing at another property they owned or held a licence to occupy agreement for, on 1 July.
- Apply to their current local council.
- They will need to provide the council with information regarding the sale of their previous property.
- No extra info is needed from village operator.



Refunds

- Retirement village applicants (under section 7A of the Rates Rebate Act 1973) are refunded the amount of the rebate
- Council either pays the resident directly or if the resident requests, credits refund amount to rates account of village (a notice must be generated, notifying the operator and resident)
- If the village rates account is credited then the operator must credit the refund amount to any amount the resident owes or is liable to pay as a contribution to the outgoings of the village or pay the refund to the resident directly



Further information

- You can download the Declaration Certificate form and Guide for Retirement Village applicants from the RVA website <u>www.retirementvillages.org.nz/Site/industry/</u>
- Visit our website <u>www.govt.nz/rates-rebates</u>
- Posters and Brochures are available on request from <u>support@ratesrebates.govt.nz</u>
- Contact your local council.



Questions?



Te Kāwanatanga o Aotearoa New Zealand Government

How is my rebate worked out?

Your rebate will be calculated based on your income, rates and the number of dependants living with you.

Refer to the application form or your local council for more information.

You cannot apply for a rebate if:

- the property is used principally for farming, commercial, industrial or business purposes; or
- the property is a rental property.

More information: www.govt.nz/rates-rebates



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