



## Queensland Government Electricity Rebate

*The information brochure is provided as a guide only to aid the applicant in completing the attached Application for Electricity Rebate. No liability, express or implied, is accepted for the contents of the information brochure.*

*If you are an Electricity Retail Corporation consumer and are in receipt of one of the cards stated below, you may be eligible for a rebate of \$0.87 per day (inclusive of GST) on your electricity account.*

*If you are not an Electricity Retail Corporation consumer and reside in a residential home park or in multi-unit residential premises, you may also be eligible for an electricity rebate, provided the proprietor of the premises participates in the rebate arrangements. Details of arrangements for such situations are available on request from the proprietor of the premises or from the Electricity Retail Corporation.*

*In no instance shall the rebate allowed be greater than the amount billed for customer retail services (service fee and consumption charges).*

***On completion of the Application Form, please return to your Electricity Retail Corporation.***

Subject to the conditions listed below, persons who hold one of the following cards may apply for the electricity rebate.

### ➤ Pensioner Concession Card

You **MUST** hold a current and valid **Pensioner Concession Card**, issued by either Department of Human Services (Centrelink) or the Department of Veterans' Affairs, to be eligible for the electricity rebate.

### ➤ DVA Health Card – For All Conditions (Gold Card)

You **MUST** hold a current and valid **DVA Health Card – For All Conditions (Gold Card)** and be in receipt of one of the following payments to be eligible for the electricity rebate.

#### ➤ War Widow /Widower

(including **Widowed Mother [AMS] Pension**)

#### ➤ Special Rate T.P.I.

(Including **Blinded Disability Pension**)

### ➤ Queensland Seniors Card

You **MUST** hold a current and valid Queensland Seniors Card issued by Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services to be eligible for the electricity rebate.

## Eligibility Criteria

Eligible pensioners and seniors who claim the rebate shall have the rebate granted, provided that Condition (a) and the relevant sections of Condition (b) are met:

- a) The customer must be a registered electricity consumer of the Retail Entity at the premises for which the rebate is claimed and the premises must be the customer's principal place of residence, and the only residence in Queensland for which the customer claims the rebate; **and**
- b) The customer must live alone or share the premises in respect of which the rebate is claimed with:  
(one or more of the following sub-conditions may apply and each relevant item should be addressed)
  - (I) The customer's spouse or
  - (II) other persons who hold a Queensland Seniors Card or Pensioner Concession Card: or
  - (III) other persons wholly dependent on the customer: or
  - (IV) other persons who receive an income support payment from Department of Human Services (Centrelink), Family Assistance or Department of Veterans' Affairs who do not pay rent: or
  - (V) other persons who live with the customer to provide care and assistance, and who do not pay rent; and

declare that no other person(s) except casual visitors share the residence with the customer.

## **How to Apply for the Electricity Rebate**

All eligible customers who satisfy the conditions under which the rebate will be granted, as listed above, and who wish to claim the rebate/s can at the discretion of the Retail Entity, either complete a written **Application for Electricity Rebate** or apply by telephoning their Retail Entity.

Failure to satisfactorily complete the written application form may delay the operative date of the rebate. If you are uncertain how to complete the application form please seek advice from your Retail Entity.

Where an electricity account is in more than one name, only one person who is eligible to receive the rebate and resides at the residence can receive the rebate i.e. a household can only receive one rebate.

## **Lodging Your Application**

The Electricity Retail Corporation accepts no liability for the loss of an application. Your application whether written or by telephone must be received at least **14 days** prior to the next billing period, otherwise no guarantee can be given that the rebate will be credited for that next period. The Electricity Retail Corporation will make every endeavour to credit the electricity rebate on the applicant's electricity account. It is the applicant's responsibility to check all electricity accounts to ensure that the rebate has been credited.

## **Privacy Notice**

The Retail Entity is collecting the information on the application form to assess your eligibility for the concession and to manage payments of the concession if it is granted. If you do not provide this information, your application will not be able to be processed. The Retail Entity usually gives some or all of this information to:

- Department of Human Services (Centrelink)
- Department of Veterans' Affairs
- Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services (Concession Services and Card Services, Smart Service Queensland)

## **Verification of Eligibility**

The concession will only be paid if the customer gives their consent to the Retail Entity to disclose relevant personal information to the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services, Department of Human Services (Centrelink) and Department of Veterans' Affairs, so they can check the customer's continued eligibility for the concession.

## **Change in Circumstances**

Customers must notify their Retail Entity immediately of any changes to their address or eligibility to receive the concession. The Retail Entity may require a new application to be submitted.

## **Renewal of Application**

Renewal of application for the rebate may be required periodically at the discretion of the Retail Entity. A new application must be lodged if changing retailers.

## **Fraudulent Claims**

The Electricity Rebate scheme was introduced to provide concessions to those people considered most in need of financial assistance. Where such an application has been submitted for the purpose of fraudulently obtaining a rebate, legal action may be taken against the applicant.

## **Further Information**

If you require further information or assistance with completion of the application form please telephone your Electricity Retail Corporation.



## Application for the Queensland Government Electricity Rebate

*This Application Form applies only where the applicant is an Electricity Retail Corporation Consumer.*

This form must be completed by the applicant and **lodged with your Electricity Retail Corporation** at least fourteen (14) days prior to billing of the first electricity account to which the rebate will apply. Please refer to the attached Information Brochure before completing this application. Further assistance is available from Electricity Retail Corporation staff.

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| _____<br>Given Name (Please Print)               |  | _____<br>Surname          |
| _____<br>Full Residential Address (Please Print) |  | _____<br>Telephone Number |

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| Rebate/s being applied for (Please tick ✓ appropriate box/boxes)<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>My electricity account number is:</b> | _____ |
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| I hold one of the following current and valid cards:   | PLEASE PROVIDE CARD/FILE NUMBER   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD</b><br/> <i>Card Issued By: (Please tick ✓ appropriate box)</i><br/> <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans' Affairs: or<br/> <input type="checkbox"/> Department of Human Services (Centrelink)           </li> </ul>                | Veterans' Affairs Number<br><input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/><br>Centrelink<br>CRN <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> - <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> - <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>DVA HEALTH CARD – FOR ALL CONDITIONS (GOLD CARD)</b><br/> <b>AND</b> receiving either of the following benefits:           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>SPECIAL RATE TPI →</b></li> <li>- <b>WAR WIDOW/WIDOWER →</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul> | File Number<br><input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/><br><input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>QUEENSLAND SENIORS CARD</b></li> </ul>   | Card Number <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>   |

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| <b>Who I live with: (Please read the following statement carefully and tick ✓ the box to confirm that it applies to you)</b> |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/>   | I live alone or with persons as described below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- With my spouse/defacto and/or other persons who are wholly dependent on me</li> <li>- With other people who hold a Pensioner Concession or Queensland Seniors Card</li> <li>- With other people who receive a Centrelink, Family Assistance Office or Dept of Veterans' Affairs payment, and who <b><u>DO NOT</u></b> pay rent</li> <li>- With other people who provide care and assistance, and who <b><u>DO NOT</u></b> pay rent</li> </ul> <b>AND</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- I <b>DO NOT</b> share my residence with any other persons except casual visitors.</li> </ul> |

| <b>Declaration</b>   |  |
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| 1.   | I advise that the above address is my principal place of residence and is the only residence within Queensland for which the rebate is claimed by me and the above electricity account is solely or jointly in my name   |
| 2.   | I will notify the Electricity Retail Corporation immediately of any change in my circumstances which may affect my eligibility for the rebate.   |
| 3.   | I authorise Department of Human Services (Centrelink) to confirm with <Retail Entity> the current status of my Commonwealth Benefit and other details as they pertain to my concessional entitlement. This involves electronically matching details I have provided to the <Retail Entity> with Department of Human Services (Centrelink) or Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) records to confirm whether or not I am currently receiving a Centrelink or DVA benefit. |
| 4.   | I understand that this consent, once signed, is effective only for the period I am a customer of <Retail Entity>. I also understand that this consent, which is ongoing, can be revoked any time by giving notice to <Retail Entity>.  |
| 5.   | I consent to the Retail Entity providing my details to the Department of Communities, Child Safety and Disability Services (Concession Services and Card Services) for the purpose of determining or confirming my continued eligibility.  |
| 6.   | I declare that all the information that I have given is true and correct.  |
| <b>Signature of Applicant:</b> _____ <b>Date:</b> ____/____/____ |  |