

APPLICATION FOR A FARM RATE

The following submission is to have our land classified as "Farmland" as defined in Council's Farm Rate Policy, as detailed below:

Scope
<p>The policy applies to Council when considering and determining the annual budget of rates and charges. It does not apply to land located in Bogong Village or the Dinner Plain Village.</p>
Policy details
<p>A differential rate is applied to farmland at 73% of the general rate. An application must be made to change the classification of a property to the differential farm rate and will not be applied retrospectively.</p> <p>'Farmland' means any rateable land which satisfies the following criteria:</p> <p>The land area must be of 8Ha or over; or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- be used primarily for grazing (including agistment), dairying, pig-farming, poultry farming, fish farming, tree farming, bee keeping, viticulture, horticulture, fruit growing or the growing of crops of any kind or for any combination of those activities; and- show that the primary source of income is derived from the land; and <p>The land must be used by a business that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- has a significant and substantial commercial purpose or character; and- seeks to make a profit on a continuous or repetitive basis from its activities on the land; and- is making a profit from its activities on the land, or that has a reasonable prospect of making a profit from its activities on the land if it continues to operate in the way it is operating.

Owner details	
Name	Property number
Email	
<input type="checkbox"/> I declare that the information provided in this application is true and correct in its entirety.	
Signature	Date
Supporting details	
1. Status of applicant (please circle your answer) – Owner Occupier Agent	
2. If you are not the owner, please state the owner’s name:	
3. Improvements Fencing (describe type) – Number of paddocks – Are boundaries securely fenced (please circle your answer) – Yes No Description of water supply (e.g. bores, waterholes, damns, drinking troughs) – Area and types of any pasture improvements (state conditions and whether full established) –	

Details of dwelling and/or other building(s) on the property and details of occupancy:

Type (BV, WB etc.)	Size (approx. m2)	Age and condition	Annual rental income (if any)

In the box to the right, state approximately what area of the land is occupied by house and garden (in sqm, acres, hectares):

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4. Farming activities

a) Description of farming activity –

b) Area used for the activity –

c) Stock details – number of stock on property as at date of this application

Sheep _____ Cattle _____ Chickens _____ Pigs _____ Horses _____ Goats _____ Fish _____

Other (please specify)

Number of each type of stock on property as at 1 July for last three years (please specify)

Year	No. of stock

d) Agistment – no. stock:

e) Cropping details

Details of cropping during the current ate years (Ha) – please specify below

Area (Ha)	Tree farm	Viticulture	Horticulture	Fruit growing	Other

Details of cropping the last three financial years – please specify below

Year	Type	Area (Ha)

Production Statistics/Sales

Number of stock, kilos wool or hair, kilos honey, commercial eggs, fertile eggs, litres milk, kilos butterfat, tonnes timber/tree, tonnes grapes/fruit/vegetables, crop sold during last three years:

Year	Type	Quantity sold

f) Give details on any circumstances which prohibited the sale of the stock and/or produce during the past twelve months –

g) Other activities conducted on the property –

1. Description of activity

2. Area used for the activity

5. Farming activities business records for this property

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| a) Do you carry on the activity as a business? | Yes | No |
| b) Do you keep business records for the activity? | Yes | No |
| c) Do you include the business activity in your tax return? | Yes | No |
| d) Are you classified as a primary producer by the Australian Taxation office? | Yes | No |
- If yes, please attach documentary evidence.

6. Financial details

a) Gross income derived from farming activities on this property for the last three financial years

Gross income	Year	Year	Year

b) Gross expenditure incurred in relation to farming activities on this property for the last three financial years

Gross expenditure	Year	Year	Year

7. Supporting documents

Please attach any other relevant supporting documents to this application, e.g. cattle registration number, gun licence, stock agent details etc.

8. Additional information you would like to provide to support your application –

In accordance with the provisions of the Privacy Act, the information provided on this form will be confidentially maintained and used exclusively for the purpose for which it was collected.

The information will not be distributed or shared with any other entity.

Submit your application and supporting documents in person, by post or by electronic lodgement

In person (Monday to Friday 9am – 5pm)	By mail	By email
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