

Remission for financial hardship

This remission will be considered in cases of extreme financial hardship. You will be considered to be in extreme financial hardship if you receive the Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) rebate from your city or district council.

To qualify for this remission, you must also meet the following additional eligibility criteria. **Please check these carefully to ensure you are eligible before submitting your application.**

Eligibility criteria:

- you own and reside in the property
- you receive the DIA rebate from your city or district council
- your property is classified as residential by Waikato Regional Council*
- your property is owned by individual(s) (not trusts, companies or similar ownership structures)
- you have received no penalties to any outstanding account balance with Waikato Regional Council.

The remission will be up to 15 per cent of the average Waikato Regional Council rates assessed on residential rating units, as defined within District Valuation Roll (DVR) for the current financial year.

To apply, please complete and submit the form below.

Ratepayer name (as it appears on your rates assessment notice): _____

Email: _____

Daytime contact phone number: _____

Rates assessment number: _____

(this is required to verify your address)

Property address: _____

☐ I confirm that I am the owner/ratepayer and live at the above address.

☐ I confirm that I currently receive the Department of Internal Affairs (DIA) rebate and consent to Waikato Regional Council verifying this with my local council.

If you are unable to tick these boxes, you are not eligible for this remission. If you're unsure or think you may be eligible but are not currently in receipt of the DIA rebate, please check with your city or district council before submitting this form.

Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Failure to complete all parts of this form will prevent Waikato Regional Council from processing your remission request. Please check all fields have been completed before submitting your request.

Please email your completed form to rates@waikatoregion.govt.nz or post it to:

Waikato Regional Council
Private Bag 3038
Waikato Mail Centre
Hamilton 3240

*Only properties that appear on Waikato Regional Council's residential properties list will be considered. A property Waikato Regional Council defines as residential will have a property category code (as held in the District Valuation Roll) on its rates assessment notice that starts with R (for residential). Residential properties with a code that starts with RV are an exception to this rule as this stands for 'residential vacant' and vacant properties are not eligible for this remission. Some lifestyle and rural properties may not be classed as residential for the purposes of this remission.

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