



RATES REMISSIONS

REMISSION OF EXCESS WATER RATES

SECTION 85 LOCAL GOVERNMENT (RATING) ACT 2002

(1) A local authority may remit all or part of the rates on a rating unit (including penalties for unpaid rates) if –

(a) the local authority has adopted a remission policy under section 122XA of the Local Government Act 1974; and

(b) the local authority is satisfied that the conditions and criteria in the policy are met.

(2) The local authority must give notice to the ratepayer identifying the remitted rates.

Objective of the Policy

To standardise procedures to assist ratepayers who have excessive water rates due to a fault (leak) in the internal reticulation serving their rating unit.

Conditions and Criteria

1. The Council may remit the excess water rates where the application meets the following criteria:
2. The policy will apply to written applications from ratepayers who have excess water rates due to a fault(s) in the internal reticulation.
3. That all applicants are requested to submit their application within 60 days of the due date of an invoice.
4. That the ratepayer be charged the full charge for normal consumption.
5. That the excess consumption be charged at 50% of the standard rate per cubic metre.
6. The Corporate Services Manager has been delegated authority to grant or refuse remissions under this policy.
7. Any appeals against the decision of the Corporate Services Manager will be referred to the Planning and Finance Committee for final determination.