

Residential Rate Capping Application Form

Discretionary Rebate of Rates – *Section 166 (1) (l) Local Government Act 1999*

A rebate of general rates will only be granted upon application by the ratepayer and where the conditions as set out in Councils Rating Policy are met. Rate capping rebates must be \$10 and over to be applicable. The rebate will not apply where:

- Any such increase is due in whole or part to an increase in valuation of the land in the assessment because of improvements made to it worth more than \$20,000
- Any such increase is in whole or part because the zoning of the land has been changed
- Any such increase is due in full or part to the use of the land being different for rating purposes between financial years
- The ownership of the rateable property has changed in the past 18 months
- The land use classification is Commercial, Industrial, Vacant Land or Other.
- If the ratepayer has postponed their rates. Where a ratepayer believes that they may be eligible for a rate capping rebate, they must lodge an application in writing to the Revenue Department before the due date of the first quarter instalment.

Alexandrina ratepayers are required to apply for a rate rating provision via application by **1 September 2026**.

Contact Details

First Name	
Last Name	
Property Number	
Property Address	
Post Code	
Phone	
Email	

Criteria

Has the property been your principal place of residence since 01/07/2023?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Is the land use of the property Residential?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Have there been improvements on the land over \$20,000 since 01/07/2023?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the zoning of the land changed since 01/07/2023?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Has the Land Use changed on the property since 01/07/2023?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you the owner of the land since 01/07/2023?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Eligibility

To see if you are eligible, please obtain a copy of your 2025/26 rate notice and your 2026/27 rate notice to compare the totals and determine if the increase is greater than 15%. Ratepayers are required to do their own calculations and complete the below fields.

Example: If your rates (Fixed Charge + General Rate) in 2025/26 was \$2,458.10, 15% of \$2,458.10 is \$368.71. Your 2026/27 rates plus 15% is \$2,826.81.

If your rate notice in 2026/27 is \$2,900, the increase is higher than 15% (\$2,826.81) and you are eligible. If your rates notice is below \$2,826.81 you are not eligible.

See example rate notice below to find where the General Rate and Fixed Charge are located.



Alexandrina Council
PO Box 21, GOOLWA SA 5214

RATES NOTICE 2025-26

Rates and charges for 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026

J Citizen
12 Water Street
GOOLWA SA 5214

Alexandrina Council

ABN 20 785 405 351
Phone: (08) 8555 7000
Email: alex@alexandrina.sa.gov.au
www.alexandrina.sa.gov.au

ISSUE DATE: 21/07/2025
PROPERTY ID: 1234
DUE DATE: 08/09/2025

Please deduct any payments made after the issue date.



Amount Due

1st Instalment	2nd Instalment	3rd Instalment	4th Instalment	OR	PAYMENT IN FULL
\$3,420.50	\$515.20	\$515.20	\$515.20		\$4,966.10
08/09/2025	08/12/2025	08/03/2026	08/06/2026		08/09/2025

Property Details

Property Address: 12 Water Street GOOLWA SA 5214	Capital Value: \$510,000	Date Declared: 07/07/2025
Valuation No: 7700123456	Ward: Alexandrina South	Land Use: House

Your Assessment

Type of rate category or charge	Rate/Unit	Amount
Opening Balance		\$2,883.10
Fixed Charge		\$440.00
General Rate - Residential (LG1)	0.3083	\$1,572.35
Hills & Fleurieu Regional Landscape Levy	0.0095	\$48.45

A) Refer to your 2025/26 rates notice and add together the General Rate and the Fixed Charge (Do not include any concessions, levies, or rebates). <i>Example: General Rate \$2018.10 + Fixed Charge \$440.00 = \$2,458.10</i>	\$
B) Calculate what is 15% of the above amount. <i>Example: \$2,458.10 x 15% = \$368.71</i>	\$
C) Add the above two figures (A + B) <i>Example: \$2,458.10 + \$368.71 = \$2,826.81</i>	\$
D) Refer to your 2026/27 rates notice and add together the General Rate and the Fixed Charge (Do not include any concessions, levies, or rebates). <i>Example: General Rate \$2,460.00 + Fixed Rate \$440.00 = \$2,900.00</i>	\$
E) Subtract C from D (D - C), and if the amount is a positive figure, then this will be your rate capping amount providing you meet the other criteria. If the amount is a negative, then you are not eligible. <i>Example: \$2,900.00 less \$2,826.81 = \$73.15, you are eligible.</i>	\$

Agreement

Rate capping rebates must be \$10 and over to be applicable.

Processing of this rebate will be completed by 30 September 2026 and a decision of this application will be emailed by 7 October 2026. If your application is successful, the rate cap rebate will display on your 2nd instalment notice.

It is important to note that the lodgement of an application for a capping rebate does not change the due date for the payment of rates. Late fees apply to unpaid rates.

I wish to apply for a Rate Capping Rebate for 2026/27 and declare that I meet all relevant criteria.

Signature: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Please return completed form to Council's Revenue Team:

In Person: Alexandrina Council, 11 Cadell Street, Goolwa
 By Post: PO Box 21, Goolwa SA 5214
 Email: alex@alexandrina.sa.gov.au