

This application for rates remission relates to the rating year commencing 1 July \_\_\_\_\_

This remission category enables Council to assist ratepayers experiencing extreme financial hardship which affects their ability to pay rates. Remission is available for residential properties and also properties owned or occupied by not for profit community organisations. Where an application for rates relief due to financial hardship is received, Council may remit all or part of rates relating to a rating unit.

A formal application is required for consideration, and this application should outline the reasons for which you are seeking a remission. The application will be investigated and the applicant will receive written response from council about the outcome. In the event whereby an applicant is not satisfied with the response, the applicant can request further review in writing and the application will be referred to Council for its consideration. The outcome will be notified within 10 working days of the decision being made.

For a full copy of the Rates Remission Policy refer to [www.waitomo.govt.nz](http://www.waitomo.govt.nz) or contact our Customer Services Team on (07) 878 0800 or 0800 932 4357.

## Section A - Applicant Information

Name:			
Street Address or PO Box:			
Suburb or RD:			
Town or City:			Postcode:
Contact Number(s):	Home:	Work:	Mobile:
Email Address:			

## Section B - Property Information

Valuation Number/s:	<input type="text"/>
Property Legal Description:	<input type="text"/>
Property Location:	<input type="text"/>

## Section C - Conditions and Criteria

### Residential Rating Units

- Preference will be given to rating units used solely for residential purposes (as defined by Council) when consideration is made for rates remission in cases of financial hardship.
- A ratepayer making an application must be the registered owner and occupier and have owned for not less than 5 years the property in respect of which rates relief is sought.
- A ratepayer making an application must not own any other rating units or investment properties (whether in the district or in another district).
- The ratepayer must supply sufficient evidence, including financial statements, to satisfy the Council that extreme financial hardship exists.
- When considering an application, the ratepayer's personal circumstances will be relevant such as age, physical or mental ability, injury, illness and family circumstances.
- Before approving an application, Council must be satisfied that the ratepayer is unlikely to have sufficient funds left over, after making the payment of rates, for normal health care, proper provision for maintenance of his or her home and chattels at an adequate standard as well as making provision for normal day to day living expenses.



## Section D - Declaration (To be completed by Applicant)

I/We do Solemnly and sincerely declare that the particulars details above are correct and that the conditions concerning the land detailed apply.

Signature:

Date:

Check List:

Have you looked at the full policy to ascertain your eligibility?

Have you attached evidential documents supporting your eligibility as set out in the criteria of the policy?

Have you completed all the sections?

Have you signed the form?

**Please note:**

- Your Rates Remission Application must be in by 30 June.
- Rates Remission Applications can only be made for the current rating year, remissions will not be back dated.
- All Rates must be paid by the due date regardless of the status of your rates remission application.