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Application for Postponement of Council Rates for Seniors

The information requested on this form is required to enable Council to assess your eligibility to postpone the payment of your Council Rates. Explanatory notes are included to assist you to complete the application form.

The ratepayer or his/her spouse may complete the application form

Details of Applicant

Applicant's Name: _____

Postal Address: _____

Telephone or E-mail: _____

Date of Application: _____

Details of Property for Postponement of Rates

(Most of this information can be found on your Rates Notice)

Please note the following important eligibility criteria:

- 1. You are required to have 50% equity in your property. You will be required to sign the declaration on page 2 to certify that you believe you have 50% equity in your property. Council may want to verify information about any mortgages and if this is the case you will be asked to sign an authorisation, to enable Council to obtain relevant information from any third party financial interests in the property.*
- 2. You are not eligible to postpone rates if any person other than you and/or your spouse have an interest as an owner in the property.*

Property Address: _____

Assessment Number: _____

Certificate of Title: _____

Name(s) of all Property Owners: _____

Are there currently any mortgages or encumbrances on the property? _____

Are you and/or your spouse sole owners of the above property? _____

Is the above property your Principal Place of Residence? _____

Amount you wish to pay \$_____ Amount you wish to defer \$_____ (See examples overleaf)

The following arrangements apply to the postponement of rates scheme.

A minimum amount of \$500 of the annual rates must be paid.

Example

Total rates amount	\$1500 (inclusive of fees and charges)
Minimum amount payable	\$500
Amount of rates postponed	\$1000

The interest rate which will apply to the amount of rates postponed is prescribed in the Local Government Act 1999 S182A (12). Interest will be charged and compounded monthly on the total amount postponed until the debt is paid. Interest is charged at the prescribed rate.

1. Council will provide information about the postponed rates debt, and the charges accrued, with future annual rate notices.
2. The accrued postponed rates debt, (including all charges and interest), is payable at the time of disposal or sale of the property, or when the eligibility criteria are no longer met. However, the ratepayer has the discretion to pay all or any part of the debt at an earlier time.
3. If the application is approved, and a postponed rates debt applies on the property, then the ratepayer is responsible for notifying Council of any change in circumstances:
 - a) The ratepayer must inform Council in writing within 6 months from the date of the entitlement ceasing;
 - b) The ratepayer must inform Council in writing within 28 days from the date of disposal or sale of the property.

A maximum penalty of \$5000 applies for failure to inform Council in writing within 28 days of the disposal or sale of property.

Declaration to be made by applicant (Please complete and sign where indicated below)

I understand the above arrangements apply to the postponement of rates scheme. I declare that the information I have provided in this application form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

It is unlawful to make a false or misleading statement or representation in the application. A maximum penalty of \$10,000 applies [S182A (9) Local Government Act 1999 (SA)]

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____