



Application for Internal Connection Rebate (for Existing Rainwater Tanks)

As part of *Think water, act water*, the ACT Government's strategy for sustainable water resource management, rebates are offered for the installation of a plumbing connection to inside the house from an existing rainwater tank on residential properties connected to the ACTEW Corporation water supply network.

To be eligible for a rebate under the Internal Connection Rebate program, all rebate terms and conditions must be met. See the full rebate terms and conditions on the back of this form.

The rebate for the internal connection of an existing rainwater tank is a maximum of \$600⁽ⁱ⁾ for the first connection. No further rebate is payable for additional connections thereafter.

To apply for the rebate

Complete this application form and send it with a copy of your official payment receipt and a copy of the 'Notification and Certificate of Compliance for Minor Works for sanitary plumbing, sanitary drainage or water plumbing'⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ to: Internal Connection Rebate, Sustainability Programs, Department of the Environment, Climate Change, Energy and Water, GPO Box 158, Canberra ACT 2601.

Applicant details

Name

Postal Address Postcode.....

Address of installation Postcode.....

Telephone (home) (work)

Email

Block..... Section (if known) Date of internal connection/...../.....

How did you find out about the Internal Connection Rebate program?

I am interested in receiving energy and water saving information from the ACT Government Yes No

Details of existing tank(s)
(please tick)

Capacity of existing tanks being internally connected:

- 2,000 – 3,999 litres total capacity
 4,000 – 8,999 litres total capacity
 9,000 litres or more total capacity

Has a rebate been previously claimed for the installed tank(s)? Yes No

Location of internal connection(s) toilet laundry sink washing machine
 kitchen sink dishwasher other

Copy of official payment receipts for internal connection(s) attached Yes

Copy of 'Notification and Certificate of Compliance for Minor Works'⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ attached Yes

Electronic funds transfer payment details

Please ensure EFT details are correct and clearly printed to avoid incorrect transfers and delays.

Name of account holder..... Account Number.....

Financial institution name BSB

I hereby release and indemnify the Australian Capital Territory and its servants and agents from any claims, demands or liabilities which I may have or which any other person may have in relation to or arising from the installation of an internal connection for which I apply for a rebate.

I have read and agree to the rebate terms and conditions as detailed on the back of this form.

Signature of applicant Date/...../.....

⁽ⁱ⁾ rebate amount covers the cost of the initial connection up to a maximum of \$600

⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ this certificate must be provided to the applicant by the licensed plumbing contractor on completion of the plumbing works.

Licensed plumber to complete

I hereby certify that the installation of rainwater plumbing serving outlets and appliances in the above property has been approved and constructed in accordance with ACT Planning and Land Authority plumbing legislation, *Water and Sewerage Act 2000* and AS/NZS 3500.

Notification and Certificate of Compliance for Minor Works provided Yes

Signature of plumber Date / /

Organisation.....License number.....

Details of the connection to household plumbing.....

For office use

Name of approving officer

Signature Date / /

Approved Yes No

Internal Connection Rebate (for Existing Rainwater Tanks) terms and conditions

- 1) These rebate terms and conditions apply to a plumbing connection from an existing rainwater tank to inside the house, installed on or after 1 February 2008.
- 2) Eligible claims for installations made during the previous terms and conditions period (1 September 2006 to 31 January 2008) will be processed under the previous terms and conditions.
- 3) To apply for the rebate, a completed application form, a copy of the official payment receipt for the plumbing connection and a copy of the 'Notification and Certificate of Compliance for Minor Works' must be provided at the time of application.
- 4) The rebate to a maximum of \$600 is for the cost of installing an internal plumbing connection. The rebate amount will not exceed the expenditure on the internal connection.
- 5) One rebate is payable per metered residential premises for the first internal connection. No additional rebate will be paid for additional connections thereafter.
- 6) The rebate is not available for internal plumbing connections to tanks installed on or after 1 August 2005 for which a Rainwater Tank Rebate has already been claimed.
- 7) The rebate is available for a limited time only. Applications must be received prior to any published termination date of the rebate program. Notification of closure of the program shall be via the Public Notices section of the Canberra Times.
- 8) Development on blocks where rainwater tanks with an internal plumbing connection are proposed in order to satisfy lease and development conditions; or requirements contained in the relevant Precinct, General or Development Codes (following the introduction of the new Territory Plan) are not eligible for rebates under this program.
- 9) To be eligible for a rebate under the Internal Connection Rebate (for Existing Rainwater Tanks) program:
 - a) The property on which the tank is installed must be a residential property connected to ACTEW Corporation's water supply network.
 - b) The installation must meet all relevant planning, building and plumbing approval requirements (call the ACT Planning and Land Authority on 6206 1923 for advice).
 - c) Tank(s) must have an internal plumbing connection established to an eligible indoor fixture or appliance. Eligible internal connections are: Toilet, laundry sink, washing machine, shower or bath, kitchen sink, or dishwasher.
 - d) All plumbed piping systems delivering rainwater to taps, fixtures or appliances inside the house must be installed by a licensed plumber and meet the requirements of ACT plumbing legislation and AS/NZS 3500.
 - e) Tanks must be used for the collection and storage of rainwater.
 - f) Where the tank is connected to the reticulated water supply, appropriate measures for backflow prevention must be deployed.
- 10) The Australian Capital Territory (the Territory) reserves the right to inspect the tank or internal connection at the address of installation for a period of up to three months from the date of this application.
- 11) Rebate recipients consent to and recognise that the Territory and its servants and agents may contact them to conduct research about the rainwater tank(s) purchased and internal connections installed and may use details of the property's water consumption for research related to the rebate programs.
- 12) In accordance with privacy legislation we advise you the information collected on this form will be used by the Territory and its servants and agents to process applications for rebates on the installation of internal plumbing connections from rainwater tanks. The information may be used by the Territory for research and other matters relating to the rebate, and to provide you with information about water efficiency programs.

Advice on the Internal Connection Rebate Program (for Existing Rainwater Tanks) can be obtained by calling 13 22 81 (9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday).

Copies of the ACT Government publication "*Rainwater tanks – Guidelines for residential properties in Canberra*" are available from the ACT Planning and Land Authority (call 6207 1923) and Department of the Environment, Climate Change, Energy and Water (call 13 22 81).