



# Application for Rainwater Tank Rebate

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

To be eligible for a rebate under the Rainwater Tank Rebate program, the tank(s) **must have an internal plumbing connection**, for example to the toilet and/or washing machine, and all rebate terms and conditions must be met. See the full rebate terms and conditions on the back of this form.

## 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'<sup>(i)</sup> to:

Rainwater Tank 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 (business hours) ..... (after hours) .....

Email .....

Date of purchase ..... / ..... / ..... Date of installation ..... / ..... / ..... Block..... Section (if known).....

How did you find out about the Rainwater Tank Rebate program? .....

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

**Tank details** (please tick) Number of tanks installed.....  
 2,000 – 3,999 litres total capacity (\$750 rebate)  
 4,000 – 8,999 litres total capacity (\$900 rebate)  
 9,000 litres or more total capacity (\$1000 rebate)

Purpose of installation:  irrigation  toilet flushing  clothes washing  dishwasher  other

Copy of official payment receipts for supply of the tank(s) attached  Yes

Copy of 'Notification and Certificate of Compliance for Minor Works'<sup>(i)</sup> 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 (the 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 a rainwater tank 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 ..... / ..... / .....

<sup>(i)</sup> 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.....

Work undertaken (including details of connection(s) to household plumbing) .....

**For office use**

Name of approving officer .....

Signature ..... Date ..... / ..... / .....

Approved  Yes  No

**Rainwater Tank Rebate terms and conditions**

- 1) These rebate terms and conditions apply to rainwater tanks 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 supply of the tank and a copy of the 'Notification and Certificate of Compliance for Minor Works' must be provided at the time of application.
- 4) The appropriate rebate for tank installations that meet the specified terms and conditions will be paid according to the following schedule. This rebate is intended to contribute to the cost of purchasing the tank and installing an internal plumbing connection. The rebate amount will not exceed the purchase price of the tank(s) and plumbing costs.

Total storage capacity	Rebate
2,000-3,999 litres	\$750
4,000-8,999 litres	\$900
9,000 litres or greater	\$1000

- 5) 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.
- 6) Only one rebate per metered residential premises.
- 7) Development on blocks where rainwater tanks 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. This generally includes all housing in new estates. Redeveloped blocks, extensions in excess of 50% of the original area and multi-unit developments where rainwater tanks are included in the development proposal for the dwelling or where they are proposed in order to satisfy a condition of development approval do not qualify for a rebate.

- 8) To be eligible for a rebate:
  - a) Tank(s) must be installed on or after 1 February 2008.
  - b) The tank(s) must be installed at a residential property connected to ACTEW Corporation's water supply network.
  - c) The installation must meet all relevant planning, building and plumbing approval requirements (call the ACT Planning and Land Authority on 6206 1923 for advice).
  - d) Tank(s) must have an internal plumbing connection established to an approved indoor fixture or appliance. Approved internal connections are: Toilet, laundry sink, washing machine, shower or bath, kitchen sink, or dishwasher.
  - e) 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.
  - f) Tanks must be used for the collection and storage of rainwater.
  - g) Where the tank is connected to the reticulated water supply, appropriate measures for backflow prevention must be deployed.
- 9) The Australian Capital Territory (the Territory) reserves the right to inspect the tank at the address of installation for a period of up to three months from the date of this application.
- 10) 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 may use details of the property's water consumption for research related to the rebate program.
- 11) 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 purchase and installation of 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 Rainwater Tank Rebate Program 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).