

Home Rainwater Tank Grant for new homes replacing houses lost in 2009 bushfires

Who is eligible?

A one-off grant will be available to residents rebuilding homes after the 2009 Bushfires to purchase and install rainwater tanks ("the Rainwater Tank Grant"). To claim the Rainwater Tank Grant, residents will need to have been eligible for the Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund Destroyed Homes payments. For further information on the Rainwater Tank Grant visit www.resourcesmart.vic.gov.au/rebates or www.water.vic.gov.au

How to claim

- Attach tax invoice/s (copies are acceptable) for the purchase of rainwater tank and installation to this application.
- Attach a copy of the Plumbing Industry Commission (PIC) Certificate of Compliance where the total cost of tank and installation equals \$750 or more.
- Attach a copy of the letter received from the Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund which confirmed your eligibility for a destroyed home payment.
- Claims can only be made for rainwater tanks purchased and installed for a home rebuilt prior to 30 June 2012.
- All Rainwater Tank Grant applications must be received by Sustainability Victoria by 30 September 2012.
- Mail this form and tax invoice/s to: Home Rainwater Tank Grant, Sustainability Victoria, Level 28, 50 Lonsdale Street, MELBOURNE VIC 3000.

New homes to replace houses lost in February 2009 Bushfires

(This question must be completed.)

Are you claiming a Rainwater Tank Grant for a new home being rebuilt as a result of a house lost in the 2009 Bushfires?

- No Yes If you ticked "yes", please note that the building permit for your new home must be issued after 28 February 2009.

See full terms and conditions on the back of this form.

Applicant details (current mailing address)

Name _____

Number _____ Street _____

Town _____

Postcode _____

Telephone numbers _____

Business Hours _____

After Hours _____

Mobile _____

Address of house that was lost in the bushfire

(if different to above)

Number _____ Street _____

Town _____

Postcode _____

Address of New Installation

(if different to above)

Number _____ Street _____

Town _____

Postcode _____

Rainwater Tank Grant for replacement homes

- \$500 for 2000 Litre to 3999 Litre tank connected to all toilets with optional connection to laundry
- \$900 for 4000 Litre or greater tank connected to all toilets
- \$1000 for 4000 Litre or greater tank connected to all toilets AND laundry

Place of purchase _____

Evidence

What is the total dollar amount of your purchase receipts

\$ _____ Number of receipts attached _____

Tax invoice number/s _____

Rainwater tanks need to be installed by a licensed plumber. (see reverse side for conditions)

Please supply PIC certificate* number and attach a copy of the certificate and plumber's receipt _____

**A Plumbing Industry Compliance (PIC) certificate is only required if cost of the rainwater tank and installation totals \$750 or more.*

EFT or Cheque Payment of Rainwater Tank Grants - You may request an EFT or Cheque Payment for the Rainwater Tank Grant.

Preferred Payment Method (please tick one):

- Cheque (in the name of the applicant and mailed to his/her address)
- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) - Financial Institution

Name: _____

Bank Account Holder Name: _____

BSB (6 digits): _____

Bank Account Number _____

Email Address: _____

(to receive advice when your payment is processed)

Attached Documents (photocopies acceptable)

- Rainwater tank purchase tax invoice
- Installation invoice
- Plumbing Certificate of Compliance
- Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund letter confirming eligibility for a destroyed homes grant

Declaration

I agree to the terms and conditions on the back of this form and certify that the information provided with this application is true and correct.

Signature _____ Date _____

To be completed by Sustainability Victoria

Application

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FULL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Eligibility

- 1) An eligible person is a resident rebuilding a home after the 2009 Bushfires who has purchased and installed a rainwater tank(s) for home and garden use. To claim the Rainwater Tank Grant, the resident will need to have been eligible for the Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund Destroyed Homes payments.
- 2) All Rainwater Tank Grant applications must comply with these terms and conditions.
- 3) The rainwater tank(s) must be purchased and installed by 30 June 2012 with the application received by Sustainability Victoria no later than 30 September 2012.
- 4) Eligible applicants, in accordance with clause 2, can claim only one Rainwater Tank Grant for each property that was eligible for the Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund Destroyed Homes payments.
- 5) Applications for the Rainwater Tank Grant must be made on this application form.
- 6) To claim a Rainwater Tank Grant, the applicant must complete this application form and mail it to Home Rainwater Tank Grant, Sustainability Victoria, Level 28, 50 Lonsdale Street, MELBOURNE VIC 3000 along with the; receipt(s) for your rainwater tank and installation, the Plumbing Industry Commission's Certificate of Compliance and a copy of the letter from the Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund confirming your eligibility for a destroyed home grant must also be attached to this application..
- 7) To qualify for the Rainwater Tank Grant, receipts for the tank and its installation dated between 28 February 2009 and 30 June 2012 must be provided with the application.
- 8) The cost of the rainwater tank plus the cost of the installation must be equal to or greater than the Rainwater Tank Grant value claimed. Where the total cost is less than the Rainwater Tank Grant claimed, the Rainwater Tank Grant will be reduced to equal the total cost.

Rainwater Tanks

- 9) The new homes of eligible residents must comply with current building standards and ensure the tank/s for which the Rainwater Tank Grant is being claimed are connected to all toilets in the house.
- 10) To be eligible for the Rainwater Tank Grant, residents must provide a Plumbing Industry Certificate and a receipt(s) for the rainwater tank and its installation.
- 11) To receive a Rainwater Tank Grant for a home being replaced that was lost in the 2009 Bushfires, the following conditions and grants apply:
 - Rainwater tanks with 2,000–3,999 litre capacity connected to all toilets are eligible for a \$500 grant.
 - Rainwater tanks with a 4,000 litre or greater capacity connected to all toilets are eligible for a \$900 grant.
 - Rainwater tanks with a 4,000 litre or greater capacity connected to all toilets AND laundry are eligible for a \$1,000 grant.
- 12) Rainwater Tank Grants are conditional upon tanks being a minimum size as set out above, installed by a licensed plumber who must provide a copy of the Plumbing Industry Commission (PIC) Certificate of Compliance where the cost of the rainwater tank and associated plumbing exceeds \$750. The installation must also meet any relevant building code requirements and have a copy of the necessary Council building permit (where required).

- 13) Rainwater tanks must be used for the collection and storage of rainwater for use in the home or garden. Where the house is connected to an urban reticulated water supply, appropriate measures for backflow prevention must be in place.
- 14) The capacity of a rainwater tank will be the total capacity for one or more tanks purchased and installed as a single installation, i.e. two tanks of 2,000 litres and 3,000 litres can be considered as a 5,000 litre tank for the purpose of a Rainwater Tank Grant.

General

- 15) Delivery and installation charges can be included as part of the total purchase price.
- 16) Rainwater Tank Grant recipients consent to and recognise that their urban water supplier, Sustainability Victoria, the Victorian Government or an appointed representative may contact them to conduct research about the rainwater tank installation.
- 17) The Rainwater Tank Grant will be paid by Cheque or Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) by completing the relevant details on this form. These payments may take around 10-12 weeks to process.
- 18) Applicants must repay any Rainwater Tank Grants provided if any of these terms and conditions are breached.
- 19) Sustainability Victoria and the Victorian Government reserve their rights, at their sole discretion and at any time, to change any or all of the Terms and Conditions for the Rainwater Tank Grant program or to cancel the Rainwater Tank Grant program.
- 20) The applicant(s) acknowledges and agrees that as far as the law permits, Sustainability Victoria and the Victorian Government accepts no liability in respect of any claim, cause of action or loss or damage arising out of or in relation to, any rainwater tank system, subject to this Rainwater Tank Grant program. The applicant(s) agree that they will indemnify and keep indemnified Sustainability Victoria and the Victorian Government from any claim or liability arising out of or in relation to any rainwater tank system subject to this Rainwater Tank Grant program and application to the extent that any claim or liability is not caused by Sustainability Victoria and the Victorian Government's negligence or a breach by them of this Application or any other term implied by law.
- 21) In accordance with Privacy legislation and our privacy statement at www.privacy@sustainability.vic.gov.au we advise that the information collected here will be used by Sustainability Victoria to process applications for Rainwater Tank Grants. The information may be used by Sustainability Victoria to provide information about services and products and disclosed to the Victorian Bushfire Appeal Fund, the Department of Sustainability and Environment or the Minister for Water on matters relating to the Rainwater Tank Grant. This information may be disclosed to the relevant government agencies for these purposes or if required by law. You may gain access to the information Sustainability Victoria has about you by contacting www.privacy@sustainability.vic.gov.au
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