

PENSIONER CONCESSION APPLICATION FORM

PURPOSE OF THE FORM

This form is to be completed by customers wishing to receive a concession on water charges. Goldenfields Water County Council provides a pensioner concession of \$21.88 per quarter.

The information provided by completing this form will enable Council to determine your eligibility to receive a pensioner concession and the level of concession you as the property owner are entitled to. The property must also be your principal place of living. While the relevant Clause from the Local Government Regulations is provided later, generally, to be eligible you will be **receiving a pension, benefit or allowance** and hold one of the following cards:-

- **Centrelink Pensioner Concession Card** (Blue Card), or.
- **Department of Veteran's Affairs Card** (Pensioner Concession Blue Card)
- **Department of Veteran's Affairs Gold Card** - embossed with **TPI/TTI, War Widow/Widower or Extreme Disablement Adjustment (EDA)**.

Please note that **Embossed Gold Card** holders may require a letter from the Department of Veteran's Affairs to confirm they **receive, or had received a certain type of pension**.

Local Government (General) Regulation 2005
[Part 5 Division 4](#)

134 Eligible pensioners for the purposes of determining pensioner concessions—prescribed classes

*For the purposes of paragraph (a) of the definition of **eligible pensioner** in the Dictionary to the Act, the following classes of persons are prescribed:*

- (a) persons who receive a pension, benefit or allowance under Chapter 2 of the Social Security Act 1991 of the Commonwealth, or a service pension or a service pension under Part III of the Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986 of the Commonwealth, and who are entitled to a pensioner concession card issued by or on behalf of the Commonwealth Government,*
- (b) persons who receive a pension from the Commonwealth Department of Veterans' Affairs as:
 - (i) a war widow or war widower within the meaning of the Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986 of the Commonwealth, or*
 - (ii) the unmarried mother of a deceased unmarried member of the Australian Defence or Peacekeeping Forces, or*
 - (iii) the widowed mother of a deceased unmarried member of the Australian Defence or Peacekeeping Forces, and do not have income and assets that would prevent them from being granted a pensioner concession card (assuming they were eligible for such a card),**
- (b1) persons who have received a lump sum mentioned in section 234 (1)(b) of the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004 of the Commonwealth or are receiving a weekly amount mentioned in that paragraph, and do not have income and assets that would prevent them from being granted a pensioner concession card (assuming they were eligible for such a card),*
- (c) persons who receive a general rate of pension adjusted for extreme disablement under section 22 (4) of the Veterans' Entitlements Act 1986 of the Commonwealth, or a special rate of pension under section 24 of that Act,*
- (d) persons who receive, or who at some point in their life have been eligible for, a Special Rate Disability Pension under the Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004 of the Commonwealth.*

A copy of your Concession Card or Gold Card should be forwarded with this application

****Please answer all questions relevant to you, using block letters and ticking appropriate boxes***

In accordance with the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005
under the Local Government Act 1993.

**APPLICATION FOR A PENSIONER CONCESSION FOR THE WHOLE OR
PART OF THE YEAR, FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING**

1 JULY _____ or 1 OCTOBER _____ or 1 JANUARY _____ or 1 APRIL _____

**Goldenfields Water
Account Number**

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Please refer to your Goldenfields Water County
Council water account for this five digit number

I, _____

Of _____
(Full name in block letters)

(Address)

Telephone number _____ apply for a pensioner concession.

Property Description (Lot/Plan) _____ (Office use only)

(1) I am the holder of a current Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) issued by the Commonwealth Government.

PCC No. _____ Date of Grant ___ / ___ / ___

OR

I am **NOT** the holder of a Pension Concession Card, I am the holder of a Gold Card issued by the Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) under the Veteran's Entitlement Act (EVA) or Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004 (MRCA) and embossed with either:-

Total Physical Incapacity (**TPI**)
or

War Widow/er (**WW**)
or

Extreme Disablement Adjustment (**EDA**)

File No. _____ and
Date of Grant of TPI or WW pension under the VEA: ___ / ___ / ___

Date of eligibility for Special Rate Disability Pension (SRDP)* or
wholly dependent partner payment ** under the MRCA ___ / ___ / ___

*date of eligibility for SRDP is the eligibility date notified in a letter from the DVA. MRCA clients will need to obtain a letter from the DVA confirming eligibility. ** date of eligibility for wholly dependent partner payments is the date of your partner's death. Call DVA on telephone number 13 32 54, to obtain a letter.

Have you claimed a pensioner concession on any other property this year?

Yes No

If **Yes**, state the address of the other property _____

(3) The property for which I am claiming has been my sole/principal place of living since _____ .

(4) I am liable for the payment of rates and charges on this property, together with others as listed below. (If no others, please write "SOLE OWNER") _____

Please provide details of all "other" persons indicated in Question 4. **(ALL OWNERS other than the applicant should be listed, including your spouse):**

Name	PCC Holder (Y/N)	Pension No	Date of Grant	Realtionship to Me (eg. Spouse,Father, CO-Owner, etc)	Resident of Property (Y/N)	% of Ownership

Tick whichever is applicable.

Evidence of joint ownership: is attached

OR

has been provided to council previously

THE FOLLOWING TWO QUESTIONS ONLY APPLY TO WAR WIDOW/ER AND WHOLLY DEPENDENT PARTNER APPLICANTS WHO DO NOT HOLD A PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD

For the latest information and help to access your income and assets, the DVA has fact sheets IS167 and IS 168 located on its website <http://factsheets.dva.gov.au> or call the DVA on telephone number 13 32 54.

(5) Do you receive income from any other sources ie: wages, interest, rent, superannuation, investments ?

Yes No

If yes, please provide details:

Type of Income	Amount received per week
Total	\$

(6) Do you have any assets other than your principal home, including household, contents, vehicles, land, furniture etc?

Yes No

If yes, please provide details:

Type of Asset	Approximate Value
Total	\$

If you need to provide further information please attach a separate sheet of paper.

I hereby declare that the information provided is true and correct. **If you make a false statement in an application you may be guilty of an offence and fined up to \$2,200.**

(Applicants Signature)

____ / ____ / ____
(Date)

CUSTOMER CONSENT

For the sole purpose of authorising the Council to confirm with Centrelink whether or not the detail I have provided to the Council matches Centrelink or other Commonwealth portfolio department or agency records in relation to the current status of my Commonwealth Benefit:

I _____ (full name) authorise the Council to confirm the following details with Centrelink:

- Pension Number
- Name
- Address
- Postcode and
- That I am a valid concessional card holder

I agree that, unless I revoke my consent, this Customer Consent record is a permanent consent, and may be relied on by council until such time as I revoke it.

I may revoke this Customer Consent record at any time by giving the council **written** notice that my consent is revoked. I understand if I revoke this consent, I may not be eligible for the concession given by the council.

I acknowledge I have read and understood this Customer Consent record.

(Applicants Signature)

____ / ____ / ____
(Date)

PRIVACY AND PERSONAL INFORMATION PROTECTION ACT 1998

Compliance with Section 10

The information contained in this application form and any information requested for the purpose of assessing eligibility for a pensioner concession is required under the *Local Government Act 1993* and the *Local Government (General) Regulation 2005*. This information is required before your application for a pensioner concession can be processed. The information is private and confidential and council must not disclose the information to any person or body if it is not directly related to the purpose for which the information was collected.

If you have a complaint about the use of your personal information, contact the council's Public Officer. The information contained or referred to in this application form may be corrected and updated by you, by contacting the Council.

PLEASE RETURN THE COMPLETED FORM AND A COPY OF YOUR CONCESSION CARD TO :

GOLDENFIELDS WATER COUNTY COUNCIL

Either in person at
OR by post to

**84 PARKES STREET, TEMORA
PO BOX 220 TEMORA, NSW 2666**