

Rates relief application form

If your property has received a yellow sticker, or your land has become unusable or uneconomic due to damage caused by Cyclone Gabrielle, you may be eligible for rates relief. Red stickered properties that have been deemed uninhabitable will receive a rates remission automatically (you do not need to complete this application).

Relief Available

The Council may provide remission up to 100% of rates and current penalties, for a period of 2 years, or earlier if the land is deemed by Council to be usable.

Qualifying Criteria (IMPORTANT)

To qualify for this rates relief, the property either must have been officially yellow stickered by Council or the land has been severely damaged or eroded, including those with crop or pasture damage, and the land has become unusable or uneconomic.

For a remission to be granted on yellow stickered properties, the yellow sticker must be on the main dwelling/building on the property (i.e. primary residence). Properties that have been deemed uninhabitable (red stickered) are being granted a rates remission and completion of the form isn't required.

If the main dwelling/building is useable (white/no sticker) but a yellow sticker has been applied to another building(s) on the property (i.e. workshop, storage unit, sleepout, cabin etc.), rates will not be remitted however rates can be postponed for a period, determined between Council and the applicant (but no later than 30 June 2025).

For land that has been damaged, applications will need to include the following information:

- Is the damage to just land, just crops or land and crops;
- The portion of land on the property damaged and unusable i.e. whole or part – if only part of the property, please provide an approximate % of the total property size affected;
- Economic impact details (financial impact);
- Expectations of how long land is likely to be unusable;
- Photos of damage.

Please complete the application below and return to: Hastings District Council, Private Bag 9002, Hastings 4156; or email to rates@hdc.govt.nz

Name of ratepayer:

Property address:

Contact person:

Daytime phone:

Email:

Postal address (if different from the property address above):

Applying for remission on yellow stickered property

Has the property received an official yellow sticker from Hastings District Council? (Please tick)

Yes No

Is the sticker for the main dwelling/building on the property (i.e. primary residence)? (Please tick)

Yes No

Any other comments:

Applying for remission on damaged land/crops

Is the damage to

Just land Just crops Land and crops

What proportion of land on the property is damaged and unusable?

All of the land on the property

Part of the land on the property

If only part of the land is damaged, please provide this as an approximate %:

Please describe the damage and any financial impact of the damage to the land:

Please describe your expectations of how long you expect the land to be unusable:

The signing of this form is a declaration that the information provided is, to the best of your knowledge, correct.

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Ratepayer signature

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Date

What happens next?

When we receive your application, the Council's rates team will get in contact with you.

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Property ID:

Category: