

South Australia

## **Emergency Services Funding (Remissions—Land) Regulations 2014**

under the *Emergency Services Funding Act 1998*

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## Part 1—Preliminary

### 1—Short title

These regulations may be cited as the *Emergency Services Funding (Remissions—Land) Regulations 2014*.

### 2—Commencement

These regulations will come into operation on 1 July 2014.

### 3—Interpretation

In these regulations—

*Act* means the *Emergency Services Funding Act 1998*;

*domestic partner* means a person who is a domestic partner within the meaning of the *Family Relationships Act 1975*, whether declared as such under that Act or not;

*emergency services areas proclamation 2000* means the proclamation made by the Governor reconstituting the emergency services areas under the Act (*Gazette* 29.06.2000 p3413);

*levy* means the levy under Part 3 Division 1 of the Act;

*prescribed rate*, in relation to a financial year, means the amount declared under section 10 of the Act as the levy, or component of the levy, for that financial year that is payable in respect of each dollar of the value of land;

*Regional area 2* means the part of the State reconstituted as the Regional area 2 emergency services area by the emergency services areas proclamation 2000;

*Regional area 3* means the part of the State reconstituted as the Regional area 3 emergency services area by the emergency services areas proclamation 2000;

*relevant financial year* means the 2014/2015 financial year;

*residential land* means land that is taken under section 8(2) of the Act to be used for the purpose defined as *residential* in that section.

## Part 2—Remission of levy on residential land

### 4—Remission for tenants of Aboriginal Housing Authority

If a person holds residential land from the Aboriginal Housing Authority and is the owner of that land for the purposes of the Act by virtue of paragraph (e) of the definition of *owner* in section 3(1) of the Act, the levy for the relevant financial year in respect of that land is remitted for the benefit of that person to the extent set out in regulation 7.

### 5—Remission for tenants of public housing

- (1) If a person holds residential land from the Crown and is the owner of the land for the purposes of the Act by virtue of paragraph (e) of the definition of *owner* in section 3(1) of the Act, the levy in respect of that land for the relevant financial year is remitted for the benefit of that person to the extent set out in regulation 7.

- (2) However, subregulation (1) does not apply in relation to an owner who holds the land—
- (a) under a lease, licence or agreement under the *Crown Land Management Act 2009* or the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972*; or
  - (b) under an agreement to purchase under the *Crown Lands Act 1929* (repealed); or
  - (c) under a residential tenancy agreement (within the meaning of the *Residential Tenancies Act 1995*).

## 6—Remissions for concession holders

- (1) If—
- (a) a person holds residential land; and
  - (b) the land comprises his or her principal place of residence; and
  - (c) he or she falls within 1 or more of the classes set out in subregulation (5)—
    - (i) on the date of issue stated in the notice of levy in respect of the land under section 16 of the Act; or
    - (ii) on the date by which the levy must be paid stated in the notice of levy in respect of the land under section 16 of the Act; or
    - (iii) at any time between the dates referred to in subparagraphs (i) and (ii),

the levy in respect of that land for the relevant financial year is remitted for the benefit of that person to the extent set out in regulation 7(2).

- (2) Subject to this regulation, a person entitled to a remission under subregulation (1) is entitled to a further remission of the levy in respect of that land to the extent set out in regulation 7(3).
- (3) Subject to subregulation (4), if 2 or more persons own land jointly or as tenants in common, each of them who is entitled to a remission under this regulation in respect of the land is entitled to a part of the remission set out in regulation 7 that is proportionate to his or her interest in the land.
- (4) If a married couple or domestic partnership owns land solely, or jointly or as tenants in common with another person or persons, the 2 persons comprising the married couple or domestic partnership are entitled to a remission, or a proportionate part of a remission, under this regulation if—
- (a) the land is the principal place of residence of both of them; and
  - (b) either 1 of them is entitled to a remission in respect of the land under this regulation.
- (5) To be entitled to a remission under this regulation, a person must be—
- (a) the holder of a current Pensioner Concession Card issued by the Commonwealth Government; or
  - (b) the holder of a current TPI Gold Repatriation Health Card issued by the Commonwealth Government; or

- (c) the holder of a current War Widows Gold Repatriation Health Card issued by the Commonwealth Government; or
- (d) the holder of a current Gold Repatriation Health Card (EDA) issued by the Commonwealth Government; or
- (e) the holder of a current Gold Repatriation Health Card issued by the Commonwealth Government to a person with 80 or more overall impairment points under the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* of the Commonwealth; or
- (f) the holder of a current Commonwealth Seniors Health Card issued by the Commonwealth Government; or
- (g) the holder of a current Low Income Health Care Card issued by the Commonwealth Government; or
- (h) in receipt of—
  - (i) an Austudy payment; or
  - (ii) a newstart allowance; or
  - (iii) a parenting payment; or
  - (iv) a partner allowance; or
  - (v) a sickness allowance; or
  - (vi) a special benefit; or
  - (vii) a widow allowance; or
  - (viii) a youth allowance,under the *Social Security Act 1991* of the Commonwealth; or
- (i) in receipt of an Abstudy payment from the Commonwealth Government; or
- (j) in receipt of payments under the Community Development Employment Project established by the Commonwealth Government; or
- (k) in receipt of payments under the New Enterprise Incentive Scheme established by the Commonwealth Government; or
- (l) in receipt of a pension as a war widow under legislation of the United Kingdom or New Zealand; or
- (m) the holder of a current State Concession Card issued by the administrative unit that is, under a Minister, responsible for the administration of the *Family and Community Services Act 1972*.

- (6) In this regulation, land comprises a person's principal place of residence if the Minister is satisfied that it comprised the person's principal place of residence on 1 July of the financial year to which the levy relates.

## **7—Amount of remission**

- (1) The amount of the remission under regulations 4 and 5 is the whole of the levy.

- (2) The amount of the remission under regulation 6(1) is determined in accordance with the following formula:

$$A = \frac{L_1 \times (PR - 0.000260)}{PR}$$

Where—

*A* is the amount of the remission.

*L<sub>1</sub>* is the amount of the component of the levy that is based on the value of the land.

*PR* is the prescribed rate.

- (3) The amount of the remission under regulation 6(2) is \$46.

### **8—Order in which remissions to be deducted**

If a person is entitled to a remission under regulation 6(1) and (2) in respect of the same land, the remission under regulation 6(1) must be determined and deducted before the remission under regulation 6(2) is deducted.

## **Part 3—Remission of levy on land used for certain other purposes**

### **9—Remission of levy**

- (1) The levy for the relevant financial year in respect of land that is being used on the relevant day solely or predominantly for 1 or more of the purposes set out in Schedule 1 is remitted for the benefit of all persons who are liable to pay the levy in respect of that land to the extent set out in regulation 10.
- (2) In subregulation (1)—  
*relevant day* has the same meaning as in section 8 of the Act.

### **10—Amount of remission**

- (1) If the levy includes a component based on the value of the land and a component that is a fixed charge, the amount of the remission is the aggregate of the amounts of the remissions determined under subregulations (3) and (5).
- (2) If the levy is comprised only of a component based on the value of the land, the amount of the remission is the amount of the remission determined under subregulation (3).
- (3) The amount of the remission under this subregulation is determined in accordance with the following formula:

$$A = L_1 - L_2$$

Where—

*A* is the amount of the remission.

*L<sub>1</sub>* is the amount of the component of the levy that is based on the value of the land.

$L_2$  is the amount that the component of the levy that is based on the value of the land would have been if the value of the land use factor in respect of the land had been one-fifth of the value fixed by the Governor's notice under section 10 of the Act.

- (4) If the levy is comprised only of a component that is a fixed charge, the amount of the remission is determined under subregulation (5).
- (5) The amount of the remission under this subregulation is \$30 or the amount of the fixed charge, whichever is the lesser.

## **Part 4—Remission of levy in Regional area 2**

### **11—Remission of levy**

The levy for the relevant financial year in respect of land situated in Regional area 2 that has a capital value for the purposes of section 6(3) of the Act of \$1 000 or less is remitted by this Part for the benefit of all persons who are liable to pay the levy to the extent set out in regulation 12.

### **12—Amount of the remission**

The amount of the remission is the whole of the levy.

## **Part 5—Remission of levy in Regional area 3**

### **13—Remission of levy**

- (1) The levy for the relevant financial year in respect of land situated in Regional area 3 that has a capital value for the purposes of section 6(3) of the Act of \$1 000 or less is remitted by this Part for the benefit of all persons who are liable to pay the levy to the extent set out in regulation 14.
- (2) The levy for the relevant financial year in respect of all other land situated in Regional area 3 is remitted by this Part for the benefit of all persons who are liable to pay the levy to the extent set out in regulation 14.

### **14—Amount of remission**

- (1) The amount of the remission under regulation 13(1) in respect of land situated in Regional area 3 that has a capital value for the purposes of section 6(3) of the Act of \$1 000 or less is the whole of the levy.
- (2) The amount of the remission under regulation 13(2) in respect of all other land situated in Regional area 3 is—
  - (a) either—
    - (i) one-half of the component of the levy that is based on the value of the land; or
    - (ii) the whole of that component but only if—
      - (A) all of the land in relation to which the person concerned is primarily liable for the levy under section 15 of the Act for the relevant financial year is situated in Regional area 3; and

- (B) the total amount of the levy that would, but for this subsubparagraph, be payable in relation to all of that land after taking into account the applicable remissions under these regulations is \$20 or less; and
- (b) the whole of the component of the levy that is a fixed charge.

### **15—Remissions under this Part and other Parts**

- (1) If a person is entitled to a remission under regulation 13(2) where regulation 14(2)(a)(i) is applicable and under regulation 6(1) or 9 (but only where regulation 10(3) applies) in respect of the same land, the amount of the remission under regulation 13(2) is 1 half of the component of the levy based on the value of the land after that component has been reduced by the remission under the other regulation.
- (2) If a person is entitled to a remission under regulation 13(2) where regulation 14(2)(a)(i) is applicable and under regulation 6(2) in respect of the same land, the remission under regulation 13(2) must be determined and deducted before the remission under regulation 6(2) is deducted.

## **Part 6—Miscellaneous**

### **16—Remission for subsequent owners**

A person who is liable for a levy, or part of a levy, under section 15 of the Act as a subsequent owner of the land is entitled to the same remission (if any) as the person or persons primarily liable for the levy.

### **17—Remission of levy in respect of tenants of public land**

- (1) If a person holds land from the Crown that is not residential land and is the owner of that land for the purposes of the Act by virtue of paragraph (e) of the definition of *owner* in section 3(1) of the Act, the levy for the relevant financial year in respect of that land is remitted for the benefit of that person to the extent set out in regulation 18.
- (2) However, subregulation (1) does not apply in relation to an owner who holds the land—
  - (a) under a lease, licence or agreement under the *Crown Land Management Act 2009*, the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972* or the *Pastoral Land Management and Conservation Act 1989*; or
  - (b) under an agreement to purchase under the *Crown Lands Act 1929* (repealed); or
  - (c) for the purpose of providing 1 or more of the following utilities:
    - (i) electricity;
    - (ii) water;
    - (iii) gas;
    - (iv) telecommunications;
    - (v) railways.

## 18—Amount of remission

The amount of the remission under regulation 17 is—

- (a) the whole of the component of the levy that is a fixed charge; and
- (b) if the component of the levy that is based on the value of the land (taking into account the applicable remissions under these regulations) would, but for this paragraph, be an amount of \$20 or less—the whole of that component.

## 19—Remission of levy in respect of certain private roads

If a person owns an undivided share in land that is used as a private road, the levy for the relevant financial year in respect of that land is remitted for the benefit of the person to the extent set out in regulation 20.

## 20—Amount of remission

The amount of the remission under regulation 19 is the whole of the levy payable in respect of the land that is used as a private road.

## Schedule 1—Land use for which levy remitted

Valuer General's Land Use Code	Valuer General's Description of Use
1700	Institutional residential
1740	Orphan's accommodation
1750	Religious quarters—monasteries
1760	Retired and aged accommodation
1770	Old folk's homes
1780	Institutional residential accommodation NEC
5300	Social welfare
5310	Social services and welfare provision
5320	YMCA and YWCA facilities
5330	Charitable organisations
5340	Missions for aborigines
5390	Social welfare NEC
5600	Places of assembly
5610	Churches, seminaries
5620	Public halls
5661	Girl guides
5662	Boy scouts
5670	Youth centres
5800	Medical and health
5810	Hospital
5811	Private hospital

Valuer General's Land Use Code	Valuer General's Description of Use
5812	Community hospital
5820	Mental hospital
5830	Sanatoria, nursing homes, convalescent and rest homes and health centres
5860	MBHA clinics
6970	Cemeteries
6980	Public conveniences
6990	Public utilities NEC

## **Schedule 2—Revocation of *Emergency Services Funding (Remissions—Land) Regulations 2000***

The *Emergency Services Funding (Remissions—Land) Regulations 2000* are revoked.

**Note—**

As required by section 10AA(2) of the *Subordinate Legislation Act 1978*, the Minister has certified that, in the Minister's opinion, it is necessary or appropriate that these regulations come into operation as set out in these regulations.

### **Made by the Governor**

on the recommendation of the Treasurer and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council

on 26 June 2014

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