



Parkes Shire Council

# **Rainwater Tank Rebate Program**

July 2007

# About the rebate program

On 17 July 2007 Parkes Council resolved to implement a water tank rebate program in support of the NSW Governments incentive scheme. The NSW Government has implemented a rainwater tank rebate scheme, with subsidies up to \$1,500. Full subsidy requires applicants to have installed a tank larger than 7,000 litres, connected the tank to the toilet and washing machine, and provided a plumber certified certificate that connections are in accordance with the Plumbing and Drainage Code.

Council has previously run a rainwater tank rebate scheme, which was withdrawn when BASIX was introduced. BASIX strongly encourages rainwater tanks in new houses, however the above program does not apply to tanks installed to comply with BASIX.

Rainwater tanks provide the most benefit to the water supply system when they are plumbed into toilets and washing machines, which ensures significant use of the tanks. Accordingly the Council rebate targets the connection of tanks to the non-potable household system.

**The rebate is based on the size of the tank and only applies to houses connected to the potable town water supply.**

You will receive an additional rebate to that offered by the NSW Government if you connect your rainwater tank supply to your toilet and/or your washing machine. This work must be performed by a licensed plumber. The tank must also comply with Council requirements for installation.

The following subsidy is available.

Tank Capacity & Rebate Conditions	Rebate Available
10,000 litres and above, & have received the equivalent NSW Government rebate for connection to toilet(s).	\$250
10,000 litres and above, & have received the equivalent NSW Government rebate for connection to washing machines	\$250

## Applying for Your Rebate

Once your rainwater tank has been installed and you have received the NSW Government subsidy, simply complete the attached form and send to Council together with a copy of your NSW Government approval and copy of the application. Then send to;

Parkes Shire Council  
Water Efficiency Scheme  
PO Box 337  
PARKES NSW 2870

## Receiving your Rebate

We will send your rebate cheque within 60 days of receiving your completed application form and receipt(s), subject to verification of your application details.

# Application for Rainwater Tank Rebate



Applies to new tanks purchased on or after 17 July 2007.

**To apply for the rebate you must have successfully claimed the rebate from the NSW Government.**

The Rebate only applies to properties connected to the town water supply.

## 1 APPLICANT (please print clearly)

Name	Parkes Shire Council Property Number
_____	_____ (Located on your Rates Notice)
Customer type:	Residential <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>
For Commercial/Industrial please include ABN number	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Applicant's postal address *	
* Your rebate cheque will be posted to this address	
Installation address	
Phone number (business hours)	

## 2 PROPERTY OWNER DECLARATION

I declare that:

- The information contained in this application is truthful and correct and I am eligible for the rebate in accordance with these Terms and Conditions.
- I have not previously claimed a rainwater tank rebate from Council for this property.
- My house is connected to Parkes Shire Council's potable town water supply.
- I have checked with Council and the installation and operation of my rainwater tank has met all planning and building requirements.
- My tank is 10,000 litres or larger.
- I have received the equivalent NSW Government rebate for connection of my rainwater tank to toilet(s). Yes  and hereby claim the \$250 Council rebate.
- I have received the equivalent NSW Government rebate for connection of my rainwater tank to a washing machine(s). Yes  and hereby claim the \$250 Council rebate.
- I have attached a copy of the NSW Government application form and their subsequent approval.

Yes

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

**FOR OFFICE USE** (please print clearly)

Based on the information supplied by the applicant, I certify that all relevant Terms and Conditions have been satisfied, approval for the rebate is granted and all appropriate records have been updated.

Has an appropriate Backflow Prevention Device been fitted to the meter?      Yes       No

Officer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Officer's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Approval given:      Yes       No

Rebate Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_