



Application Form

About the Program

Removing your wood heater can help reduce air pollution. The Wood Heater Removal Program gives you a rebate for removing your wood heater or permanently closing off your open fireplace.

IMPORTANT: Use this application form if you want to apply for a rebate to remove a wood heater or close off a fireplace in your home before you begin any work.

Who is Eligible?

Participant eligibility:

- You must be an ACT ratepayer and the property must be located within areas zoned 'residential'. Owners of rental properties can apply for the rebate if the tenant agrees, and both you and the tenant sign this application form.
- One rebate per eligible household:
 - \$500 - Removal of a wood heater or permanently close off (decommission) an open fireplace.
 - \$1,250 - Removal of a wood heater or permanently close off (decommission) an open fireplace for ACT homeowners with:
 - > Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card
 - > Australian Government Health Care Card
 - > Australian Government Pensioner Concession Card - pension types include:
 - » Age Pension
 - » Carer Payment
 - » Disability Support Pension
 - » JobSeeker, Payment or Youth Allowance
 - » Parenting Payment
 - » Veteran



Property eligibility:

- The property must be located within the ACT (including Hall, Tharwa and Oaks Estate but not Jervis Bay Territory).
- The property cannot be undergoing a process of knockdown/rebuild, or other substantial modifications. What is considered substantial modification is at the sole discretion of the ACT Government.
- The wood heater must be the main source of heating located in a primary living space such as a lounge room or living area. Garages, sheds and workshops are excluded from the rebate.



Other rebates and incentives

- Homeowners are strongly encouraged to have an alternative energy efficiency heating source to stay warm during the colder months. An electric reverse-cycle heating and cooling system is the most energy-efficient option.
- If you hold an eligible concession card you might also be eligible for an additional rebate of up to \$2,500 and interest-free loan up to \$10,000 to install an electric energy-efficient reverse-cycle heating and cooling system through the *Home Energy Support Program*.
- For all other ACT homeowners, you could be eligible for an interest-free loan of up to \$15,000 through the Sustainable Household Scheme.
- For energy efficiency and cost saving ideas, visit the Everyday Climate Choices website at www.climatechoices@act.gov.au, or contact the Sustainable Home Advice Program on Ph: 1300 141 777 or email: sustainablehomeadviceprogram@act.gov.au.

How to apply

- **You must submit an application form before the wood heater is removed. Applications submitted after removal will not be accepted.**
- A copy of a current rates notice must be attached with the application form, as well as relevant concession card if applying for the concession rebate.
- An ACT Government Program Officer will arrange a virtual inspection at your home prior to removal to verify the details of your application. A photo of the wood heater or fireplace may also be requested.
- If your application is approved, you will be sent a rebate claim form. This form needs to be submitted within six months from the inspection date once the wood heater has been removed.
- You must take the removed wood heater to Mugga Lane Resource Management Centre for disposal. It is free to drop-off. Proof of disposal must be provided when claiming a rebate. An open fireplace must be permanently closed off to the satisfaction of the Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate.
- We will pay the rebate to you after the relevant works are fully complete and we accept a completed rebate claim form, including proof of disposal or decommission of fireplace or any other required documents.

Please read the Program's Terms and Conditions before submitting an application.

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Step 1 – Applicant details

Title

First name

Surname

Phone

Email

Address

Step 2 – Participant and property eligibility

Do you hold a current Australian Government Pensioner Concession Card, Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card or Australian Government Health Care Card?

Yes No

Which card do you have?

Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card

Australian Government Health Care Card

Australian Government Pensioner Concession Card

Pension type:

Age pension

Carer pension

Disability support pension

Job seeker payments or youth allowance

Parenting payment

Veteran

Card expiry date:

 Please provide a copy (front and back) of relevant card.

Address where wood heater will be removed (leave blank if same as Step 1)

Address

Are you:

a rental property owner/agent

 Please provide a copy of current rates notice.

Please ensure your tenant co-signs this application in the box below.

an owner/occupier

 Please provide a copy of current rates notice.

Step 3 – Applicant's acceptance

I/we have read and understand the terms and conditions of this application and have not provided false or misleading information. A copy of the front and back of relevant concession card (if applicable) and copy of current rates notice is attached.

Applicant's signature

Date

Co-signature of tenant (if applicable)

Date

Step 4 – Submit form

Once you have completed this form, please email the form and attachments to **SustainableHomeAdviceProgram@act.gov.au** (preferred method) or post to:

Sustainable Home Advice
Climate Change and Energy Division
Environment, Planning and Sustainable Development Directorate
GPO Box 158, Canberra ACT 2601

Next steps

A member of the Sustainable Home Advice team will contact you to arrange a time for a virtual inspection.

Would you like to receive information about alternate energy efficient heating systems, including information about rebates and incentives you may be eligible for? Yes No

Contact us

Sustainable Home Advice Program

Phone: 1300 141 777

Email: **SustainableHomeAdviceProgram@act.gov.au** Website: **www.climatechoices.act.gov.au**



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