

Single Farm Enterprise Exemption Application Form

Emergency Services and Volunteers Fund

Part A

Where multiple parcels of farmland are used to operate a single farming enterprise, a person may only be required to pay the fixed charge once by applying for the single farming enterprise exemption. To apply, a person must submit this form, completed and signed to the councils where the relevant properties are located. You must notify the councils if the circumstances relating to your application change, as this may affect your eligibility for the exemption.

Part B – Request Details

I, _____ of _____
request that the properties detailed under Part E be considered a single farm enterprise for calculating the Emergency Services and Volunteers Fund (ESVF) in accordance with the *Emergency Services and Volunteers Fund Act 2012*.

Part C – Eligibility Validation

Please tick the appropriate answer to each question relating to the land which forms part of the single farming enterprise:

All of the land is farmland.

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>

Farm land is land that is used primarily for grazing (including agistment), dairying, pig-farming, poultry-farming, fish-farming, tree-farming, bee-keeping, viticulture, horticulture, fruit-growing or the growing of crops of any kind or for any combination of those activities. It may include one parcel of land that is the principal place of residence of a person(s) carrying on the single farm enterprise, provided that the principal place of residence is contiguous to farmland.

*** Note:** The single farm enterprise exemption can only be claimed in respect of one principal place of residence. Both the fixed and variable components of the ESVF will be levied on any other principal place of residence that is contiguous to farmland forming part of the single farm enterprise.

All of the properties are occupied by the same person(s) and are farmed as a **single** enterprise

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>

*** Note:** Each parcel must be used to carry on a **single** farming enterprise. If the lands are used to operate several different ventures, a separate application is required in respect of each enterprise. A fixed charge will be payable for each venture.

Each property is used to carry on a single business of primary production that has a significant and substantial commercial purpose or character; and

Yes	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>

- (i) that seeks to make a profit on a continuous or repetitive basis from its activities on the land; and
- (ii) that is making a profit from its activities on the land, or that has a reasonable prospect of making a profit from its activities on the land if it continues to operate in the way that it is operating.

If you answered 'No' to any of these questions you are not eligible for the single farming enterprise exemption. If you answered 'Yes' to all questions proceed to Part D.

Part D – Emergency Services and Volunteers Fund Fixed Charge

The ESVF fixed charge must be paid on at least one leviable land which forms part of the SFE (the lands do not need to be located in a single council municipality). The fixed charge can only be applied to land containing the principal place of residence of the occupier provided the land has a non-residential fixed charge, unless all lands in the SFE have a residential land use classification.

*** Note:** Please nominate the property the ESVF fixed charge will be applied by completing Part F.

Part E – Property Details

Municipality	Assessment No	Property Address	Occupier/s	Land Size
Eg, Swan Hill Rural City Council	12348	10 Smith Rd, ULTIMA VIC 3544	AB & CD Citizen	2.2 Hectares
Please attach a list of additional lands if space provided is insufficient.				

Part F – Emergency Services and Volunteers Fund Nomination

I nominate the following property as the farmland for which the ESVF fixed charge will be paid.

Municipality	Assessment No	Property Address	Land Size

Part G – Declaration

I certify that the information supplied is true and correct. I accept that council may require further information to determine whether this application complies with the provisions of the Emergency Services and Volunteers Fund Act 2012. I acknowledge that this information may be forwarded to the State Revenue Office (SRO) for compliance purposes. My contact details are listed below to discuss this application further if required.

Email: _____

Phone (M) _____

Date: _____

Phone (H): _____

Signature: _____

Part H – Privacy Information

This information is collected by **Swan Hill Rural City Council** to establish your eligibility for a single farming enterprise exemption and is required to be provided by the *Emergency Services and Volunteers Fund Act 2012*. This information may also be used by the council for other purposes including issuing permits and licences and providing a variety of community services. If you do not provide the information required, we may not be able to process your application for an exemption. The information collected may be disclosed to other municipal councils, the SRO, and other government agencies as authorised by law. You can find out more about how we use and protect your information in our privacy policy on www.swanhill.vic.gov.au. If you require access to the information you have provided us, please contact the council on **03 5036 2333**.

Part I – Submission

By post: Swan Hill Rural City Council
PO Box 488
Swan Hill VIC 3585

In person: Swan Hill Rural City Council Office
45 Splatt Street
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