QUEENSLAND TREASURY
QUEENSLAND RURAL AND INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Supercharged Solar for Renters

(Solar for Rental Properties Rebate Scheme)

Applicant Guideline

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1. About the Scheme

1.1. The Solar for Rental Properties Rebate Scheme (the Scheme) aims to ease cost-of-living pressures on *tenants* of rental properties. The Scheme provides rebates to *owners* of *eligible residence*s to offset the cost of purchasing and installing rooftop solar photovoltaic (PV) systems to lower electricity costs for tenants.

2. Available funding

2.1. The Scheme offers rebates of up to **$3,500** per *eligible residence*, determined by the size of the solar PV system installed.

2.2. The maximum rebate available is the lesser amount of the following:

(a) the cost of purchasing and installing the *eligible solar PV system*; or

(b) the maximum rebate amount for the system.

2.3. The maximum rebate amount for an *eligible solar PV system* is:

Solar PV system capacity	Maximum rebate amount
At least 3kW but less than 4kW	$2,500
At least 4kW but less than 5kW	$3,000
5kW or more	$3,500

3. Applicant eligibility

3.1. To be eligible for **conditional approval**, the *applicant* must:

(a) be an individual who is a resident of Australia;

(b) be an *owner* of an *eligible residence* that:

i. is not already fitted with a solar PV system; and

ii. is the subject of a current *eligible lease*, that states the *tenant* is responsible for paying some or all of the electricity account;

(c) have obtained a quote (issued after the opening of the Scheme) for the purchase and installation of an *eligible solar PV system* at the *eligible residence*;

(d) have received consent from the *tenant* for the installation of the *eligible solar PV system* in the Supercharged Solar for Renters Tenant Acknowledgement and Consent Form published on the program website: qld.gov.au/solar-for-renters; and

(e) have received body corporate approval for the installation if the *eligible residence* is in a body corporate scheme.

3.2. To be eligible for **final approval**, the *applicant* must:

(a) still be an individual, a resident of Australia and the *owner* of the *eligible residence*;

(b) have received conditional approval for the purchase and installation of the *eligible solar PV system* at the *eligible residence*;

(c) within 150 days of receiving conditional approval:

i. have purchased and had the *eligible solar PV system* installed at the *eligible residence*;
See section 4 for more information on purchasing and installing an *eligible solar PV system*.

ii. entered into a new *eligible lease* for the *eligible residence*; and
See section 5 for more information on an *eligible leases*.

iii. submitted their application for final approval to the Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA).

4. Eligible solar PV system

4.1. A solar PV system is an *eligible solar PV system* if:

(a) it has a *system capacity* of at least 3kW;

(b) it has a *generation signalling device* (GSD);

(c) the inverter is a Clean Energy Council (CEC) Approved Inverter published on the CEC approved inverters list: cleanenergycouncil.org.au/industry-programs/products-program/inverters; and

(d) all the solar panels are CEC Approved Modules published on the CEC approved modules list: cleanenergycouncil.org.au/industry-programs/products-program/modules.

4.2. The *eligible solar PV system* must be:

(a) purchased from a retailer published on the New Energy Tech Approved Sellers directory: newenergytech.org.au/find-an-approved-seller;

(b) designed by a person that holds a relevant and current accreditation through Solar Accreditation Australia: saaustralia.com.au/accreditation-status-check or another entity QRIDA considers appropriate; and

(c) installed by a person that:

i. holds relevant and current accreditation through Solar Accreditation Australia; and

ii. holds a current Queensland Open Electrical Worker Licence and is, or works for, an installer with a current Queensland Electrical Contractor Licence. The status of licenced persons can be checked here: rapid.appianportals.com/public_licence_search; or

iii. is another entity QRIDA considers appropriate.

4.3. *Applicants* must advise QRIDA if there are any changes to the solar PV system after conditional approval.

5. Eligible lease

5.1. A current *eligible lease* at conditional approval must state:

(a) that the *tenant* is responsible for paying some or all of the electricity account for the *eligible residence*; and

(b) for *eligible residences* occupied under a *residential tenancy agreement*, that the rent is not more than $1,000 per week.

5.2. An *eligible lease* at final approval must:

(a) state that the rent payable is not more than the amount per week as at conditional approval;
See section 5.4 more information on weekly rent amount.

(b) state that the remaining term is no less than 8 months (from the date of submission of the final approval application);

(c) be entered into after the date the *applicant* received conditional approval; and

(d) state any rights and obligations of the parties with regard to the *eligible solar PV system* (such as, how electricity generated by the solar PV system will be charged and apportioned and who is responsible for the cleaning and maintenance of the solar PV system).

5.3. *Eligible residences* with more than one *lease* (*multiple-occupancy residences*) must have an *eligible lease* for each room occupied at final approval.

5.4. The rent amount stated in the *eligible lease* provided at final approval must not be more than the rent amount stated in the *eligible lease* at conditional approval, unless:

(a) there is a special condition in the *eligible lease* at conditional approval that states the terms of the rent increase; and

(b) *for eligible residences* occupied under a *residential tenancy agreement,* the increased rent does not exceed $1,000 per week.

6. Eligible residence

6.1. A residence is an *eligible residence*, if it is:

(a) located in Queensland;

(b) a Class 1a building under the Building Code of Australia;
A Class 1a building is a single dwelling (such as a detached house, townhouse or duplex) or a secondary dwelling on a lot of a Class 1a building (such as a granny flat).

(c) used as a place of residence with a current *eligible lease;* and

(d) *individually metered* for the supply of electricity.

6.2. A residence is **not eligible** if:

(a) the *owner* occupies any of the rooms; or

(b) it is part of an embedded electricity network; or

(c) at the time of conditional approval, it is fitted with an existing solar PV system; or

(d) an individual has previously received assistance under the Scheme in relation to the residence.

6.3. Where a residence has body corporate arrangements in place, the *applicant* must obtain written approval from the body corporate for the installation of the *eligible solar PV system*.

7. Conditions of assistance

7.1. Applications for final approval must be submitted to QRIDA within 150 days of receiving conditional approval.

7.2. An *applicant* is not eligible for conditional approval if they have previously received conditional approval under the Scheme for 3 or more other residences.

7.3. QRIDA will assess all applications received under the Scheme in order of receipt and will provide written notice of decisions.

7.4. QRIDA may request further relevant information to determine an application.

7.5. QRIDA must refuse an application if the funds for the assistance are not sufficient to pay the application.

7.6. Penalties apply for providing false or misleading information in accordance with the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994.*

8. How to apply

8.1. Applications for both conditional and final approval must be made via QRIDA's online application portal: applyonline.qrida.qld.gov.au

8.2. Applications for conditional approval will close on the date stated on the Scheme's website, or when scheme funding is exhausted, whichever is sooner.

8.3. Applications for conditional approval must include, for the *eligible residence*:

(a) proof of ownership (rates notice, contract of sale or building contract);

(b) a copy of the current *lease*;

(c) a quote for the *eligible solar PV system*;

(d) where applicable, written approval from the body corporate to install the *eligible solar PV system*;

(e) a signed Supercharged Solar for Renters Tenant Acknowledgement and Consent Form; and

(f) any other documents as requested on the application.

8.4. Applications for final approval must include, for the *eligible residence*:

(a) tax invoices or official receipts showing the *eligible solar PV system* has been paid for in full;

(b) a copy of the *eligible lease*; and

(c) any other documents stated on the application.

8.5. QRIDA may request further information from *applicants* to help assess applications.

8.6. Penalties apply for providing false and misleading information in accordance with the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994* (Qld).

9. Conflict of interest

9.1. A conflict of interest may arise due to a business-dealing with QRIDA, if an applicant's private interests conflict with their obligations under the agreement. Conflicts of interest could affect the awarding or performance of an applicant's agreement. A conflict of interest can be:

- real (or actual)
- apparent (or perceived) or
- potential.

9.2. QRIDA will ask *applicants* to declare, as part of their application, any business-dealings that may be considered an actual, perceived or potential conflict of interest or that, to the best of their knowledge, there is no conflict of interest. If an *applicant* later identifies that there is an actual, apparent, or potential conflict of interest or that one might arise in relation to their agreement, the *applicant* must inform QRIDA in writing immediately.

10. Fraudulent applications

10.1. QRIDA takes fraud and corruption seriously. Suspected fraud will be referred to the Queensland Police Service (QPS) and/or the Crime and Corruption Commission (CCC).

10.2. Fraud and corruption are criminal offences under sections 408C, 408D and 87 of the *Criminal Code (Qld)*. For corporations, directors and company officials, sections 596 and 184 of the *Corporations Act 2001 (Cth)* will also apply.

10.3. Providing false or misleading information or documents in the QRIDA application process is an offence. Penalties may apply under sections 41 and 42 of the *Rural and Regional Adjustment Act 1994 (Qld).*

10.4. By signing the application form for the Scheme, *applicants* acknowledge that the information they provide is true and accurate and agree to be bound by the Scheme's guidelines and provisions.

10.5. QRIDA reserves the right to pursue and recover funding provided under fraudulent and dishonest circumstances.

11. Your privacy

11.1. QRIDA's Privacy Policy, available at qrida.qld.gov.au/privacy, sets out general information on how QRIDA collects, uses and discloses individuals' personal information.

11.2. The application portal for this Scheme contains specific information on how personal information will be collected, used, and disclosed.

12. More information

12.1. For more information on the Solar for Rental Properties Rebate Scheme (the Supercharged Solar for Renters Program), call 13 QGOV (13 74 68).

12.2. For more information on the application process, contact QRIDA on **1800 623 946**, or email srpr@qrida.qld.gov.au.

13. Definitions

Applicant means, in relation to a conditional approval application or a final approval application, the individual applying for the assistance**.**

Eligible lease see Section 5.

Eligible residence see Section 6.

Individually metered see the *Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation Act 2008*, Schedule 2.

Lease means a written residential tenancy agreement, or a written rooming accommodation agreement.

Multiple-occupancy residence means an *eligible residence* in which two or more rooms are occupied under a *rooming accommodation agreement*.

Owner means, for a residence

(a) a registered owner of the lot on which the residence is located under the *Land Title Act 1994*; or

(b) a lessee, for a home ownership lease over the land on which the house is located under the *Aboriginal Land Act 1991* or the *Torres Strait Islander Land Act 1991*.

Generation signalling device, for an *eligible solar PV system* includes

(a) an integrated generation signalling device that is built into the system's inverter; and

(b) a standalone generation signalling device that is connected to the system when the system is installed.

Residential tenancy agreement see the *Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation Act 2008*, section 12.

Rooming accommodation agreement see the *Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation Act 2008*, section 16.

Solar PV system quote for a residence, means a quote:

(a) for the purchase and installation of an *eligible solar PV system* at the residence; and

(b) that is obtained:

(i) after the scheme opens; and

(ii) from a retailer whose name is included at the New Energy Tech Consumer Code Approved Seller directory: newenergytech.org.au/find-an-approved-seller.

System capacity means, of a solar PV system, the lower of the following:

(a) the capacity of the system's inverter;

(b) the total capacity of the system's panels.

Tenant means a tenant within the meaning of the *Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation Act 2008,* section 13(1) or a resident within the meaning of the *Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation Act 2008*, section 12.

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