

Swan Valley Farmland Concession Application

Instructions: Please print clearly in block capitals in the spaces provided.

Before starting this application, please read the Swan Valley Farmland Concession Guidelines to determine if your property meets the eligibility criteria.

1. Applicants details

Name

Address

Daytime phone

Mobile

Email address

Note: The City of Swan may contact you to arrange an appointment to view the property

2. Owner details (if different from applicants details in section one)

Name

Address

Daytime phone

Mobile

3. Is the property currently rated farmland?

Yes - please proceed with application

No - you are not eligible, please read the guidelines or call our office to obtain more info.

4. Description of property

Lot number(s)

Street number

Street

Suburb

Total area of property

Total area cleared for rural use

Note: If the property is smaller than 5,000 sqm, it will most likely be classified as residential or general rural, not farmland.

5. Is the owner ordinarily living on the property

Yes

No

6. Lessee details (please attach a copy of the lease agreement to your application)

7. Describe in detail the business or industry conducted on the property. Please state number of stock, number of vines, type of machinery, dams etc.

8. The applicant must demonstrate that they derive a substantial part of their livelihood from farmland business

What percentage of your earnings comes from farming business or industry %

If applying for the first time, It is a requirement to provide the following documents to support your claim:

Statutory declaration stating that the property is used for the purpose detailed at point 3.1

Current business registration (or current ABN number)

Adequate financial information such as a profit or loss statement (certified by an accountant) or a confirmation letter from an accountant (printed on a letterhead showing business details)

The City will advise if additional documents are required.

If applying to continue a previously approved concession the owner or lessee must submit a statutory declaration to confirm the land is still used for commercial farming.

Important information

- Rates assessments are required to be paid by the due date, irrespective of whether a concession application has been lodged. Any credit balances may be refunded on request, please note proof of payment will be required
- An officer from the City of Swan may contact you directly to make an appointment to view the property
- Please refer to the Swan Valley Farmland Rate Concession Guidelines for information about eligibility and a detailed list of required documents.

A completed application form together with the required documentation should be sent to the City of Swan clearly titled Application for Swan Valley farmland rate concession by email to swan@swan.wa.gov.au,

or by post to: **City of Swan**
Attn: Rates Department
PO Box 196
Midland WA 6936

Telephone enquiries: (08) 9267 9160

9. Statutory declaration

This declaration is made under the *Oaths, Affidavits and Statutory Declarations Act 2005*.

I, _____ of _____ occupation

sincerely declare as follows:

The property at _____

is used for the purposes of specific, established, and revenue generating farmland activities in line with the City's eligibility criteria.

Name of person making declaration _____

Address of person making declaration _____

Occupation of person making declaration _____

This declaration is true and I know that it is an offence to make a declaration knowing that it is false in a material particular.

This declaration is made under the *Oaths, Affidavits and Statutory Declarations Act 2005*.

at _____ (place)

on _____ (date)

by _____ (signature of person making the declaration)

in the presence of _____

(signature of authorised witness)

(name of authorised witness)

(qualification as such a witness)

Important: This declaration must be made before any of the following persons:

- Academic (post-secondary institution)
- Accountant
- Architect
- Australian Consular Officer
- Australian Diplomatic Officer
- Bailiff
- Bank Manager
- Chartered Secretary
- Chemist
- Chiropractor
- Company Auditor or Liquidator
- Court Officer (Judge, Magistrate, Registrar or Clerk)
- Defence Force Officer (Commissioned, Warrant or NCO with 5 years continuous service)
- Dentist
- Doctor
- Electorate Officer (State – WA only)
- Engineer
- Industrial Organisation Secretary
- Insurance Broker
- Justice of the Peace (any State)
- Lawyer
- Local Government CEO or Deputy CEO
- Local Government Councillor
- Loss Adjuster
- Marriage Celebrant
- Member of Parliament (State or Commonwealth)
- Minister of Religion
- Nurse
- Optometrist
- Patent Attorney
- Physiotherapist
- Podiatrist
- Police Officer
- Post Office Manager
- Psychologist
- Public Notary
- Public Servant (State or Commonwealth)
- Real Estate Agent
- Settlement Agent
- Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff
- Surveyor
- Teacher
- Tribunal Officer
- Veterinary Surgeon, or
- Any person before whom, under the *Statutory Declarations Act 1959* of the Commonwealth, a Statutory Declaration may be made.

Witness information:

Any authorised witness for the State of Western Australia may also witness a Commonwealth Statutory Declaration, as long as they are in Western Australia at the time of witnessing (Schedule 2, item 231 of the Commonwealth Statutory Declarations Regulations 1993).