# Request for direct debit - rates payments (Company)



#### When to use this form

Use this form if you would like to:

- pay your rates using direct debit
- update your details on an existing direct debit
- cancel an existing direct debit

To make this request you must be authorised to sign on behalf of the company named and you must have authority to operate the company's bank account.

Direct debit is the electronic transfer of money from your company's bank account to make regular payments. You can authorise the City of Hobart to debit your company's bank account weekly, fortnightly, monthly, when instalments are due or annually.

Benefits include:

- it is fast and secure
- you pay your rates at intervals of time that suit you
- you don't have to worry about late payments
- there are no extra charges for this service

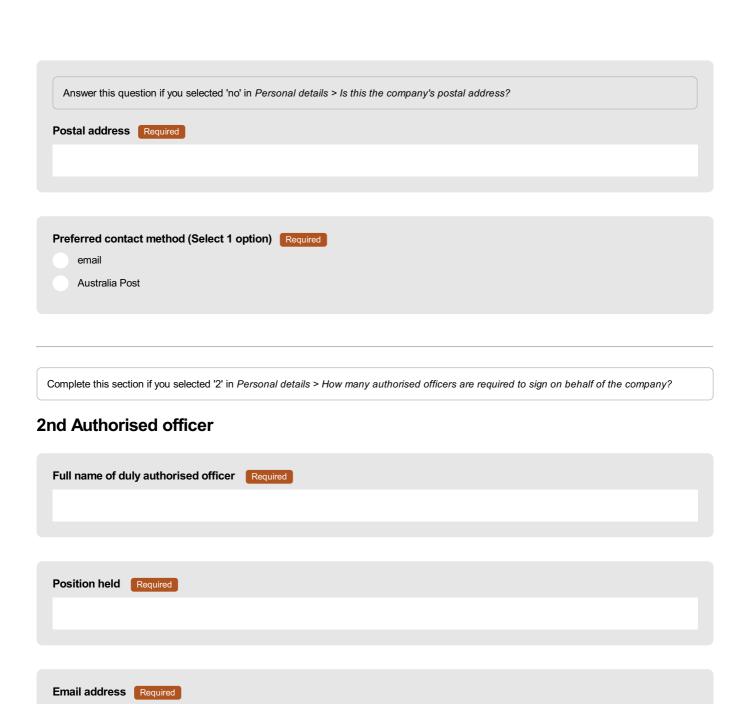
Please note for any direct debits that are dishonoured and returned unpaid, Council will charge an administrative fee on each occasion.

### Personal details

The details below need to be completed by the authorised person who is making the request on behalf of the company.

This request is a (Select 1 option) Required  new application
change of account details only
cancellation of an existing direct debit
How many authorised officers are required to sign on behalf of the company? (Select 1 option)  Required
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Company name Required

ABN Required
Full name of duly authorised officer Required (person making this request)
Position held Required
Email address Required
Telephone number Required
Property ID (you can find this on the top right corner of your rates notice) Required
Property address Required
Is this the company's postal address? (Select 1 option)  yes  no



# **Account details**

Telephone number Required

This information applies if you selected 'cancellation of an existing direct debit' in *Personal details > This request is a* 

Please provide details of the account to be cancelled.

This information does not apply if you selected 'cancellation of an existing direct debit' in Personal details > This request is a Please provide details of the account to be debited (savings or cheque account only). Name and branch of financial institution Required Bank account name Required Skip this question if you selected 'cancellation of an existing direct debit' in Personal details > This request is a BSB number (must be 6 digits) Required Skip this question if you selected 'cancellation of an existing direct debit' in Personal details > This request is a Bank account number Required

# **Direct debit details**

Skip	this question if you selected 'cancellation of an existing direct debit' in Personal details > This request is a
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then would you like the d	lirect debit to finish? (Select 1 option) Required
immediately	
specific date	
Answer this question if you	selected 'specific date ' in Direct debit details > When would you like the direct debit to finish?
Finish date (must be a Thu	Required (submitting online? Use the calendar icon on the right to select the date)  Y Y Y
Skip this question if you seld	ected 'cancellation of an existing direct debit' in Personal details > This request is a
When would you like the d	lirect debit to start? (for weekly, fortnightly and monthly deductions, this must be on a Thursday
submitting online? Use the ca	alendar icon on the right to select the date)
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Additional information	

# Direct debit agreement

This is your Direct Debit Service Agreement with Hobart City Council, User Id 065809, ABN 39 055 343 428 (the Debit User). It explains what your obligations are when undertaking a Direct Debit arrangement with us. It also details what our obligations are to you as your Direct Debit provider.

Please keep this agreement for future reference. It forms part of the terms and conditions of your Direct Debit Request (DDR) and should be read in conjunction with your DDR authorisation.

#### Definitions

account means the account held at your financial institution from which we are authorised to arrange for funds to be debited.

agreement means this Direct Debit Request Service Agreement between you and us.

banking day means a day other than a Saturday or a Sunday or a public holiday listed throughout Australia.

debit day means the day that payment by you to us is due.

debit payment means a particular transaction where a debit is made.

Direct Debit Request means the written, verbal or online request between us and you to debit funds from your account.

us or we means Hobart City Council (the Debit User) you have authorised by requesting a Direct Debit Request.

you means the customer who has authorised the Direct Debit Request.

your financial institution means the financial institution at which you hold the account is maintained you have authorised us to debit.

#### 1. Debiting your account

- 1.1 By submitting a *Direct Debit Request*, you have authorised us to arrange for funds to be debited from your account. The *Direct Debit Request* and this *agreement* set out the terms of the arrangement between us and you.
  - 1.2 We will only arrange for funds to be debited from your account as authorised in the Direct Debit Request.

or

We will only arrange for funds to be debited from your account if we have sent to the email/address nominated by you in the Direct Debit Request, a billing advice which specifies the amount payable by you to us and when it is due.

1.3 If the debit day falls on a day that is not a banking day, we may direct your financial institution to debit your account on the following banking day. If you are unsure about which day your account has or will be debited you should ask your financial institution.

#### 2. Amendments by us

2.1 We may vary any details of this agreement or a Direct Debit Request at any time by giving you at least fourteen (14) days written notice sent to the preferred email/address you have given us in the Direct Debit Request.

#### 3. How to cancel or change direct debits

You can:

- (a) cancel or suspend the Direct Debit Request; or
- (b) change, stop or defer an individual debit payment at any time by giving at least 5 working days notice before the next scheduled payment date.

This can be done by completing the direct debit request form (selecting change of account details) and submitting online or by posting to Rates, City of Hobart, GPO Box 503, Hobart TAS 7001 or email to coh@hobartcity.com.au.

You can also contact your own financial institution, which must act promptly on your instructions.

#### 4. Your obligations

- 4.1 It is your responsibility to ensure that there are sufficient clear funds available in your account to allow a debit payment to be made in accordance with the Direct Debit Request.
  - 4.2 If there are insufficient clear funds in your account to meet a debit payment:
    - (a) you may be charged a fee and/or interest by your financial institution;
    - (b) we will charge you an administrative fee on account of there being insufficient funds; and
- (c) you must arrange for the debit payment to be made by another method or arrange for sufficient clear funds to be in your account by an agreed time so that we can process the debit payment.
  - 4.3 You should check your account statement to verify that the amounts debited from your account are correct.
  - 4.4 If your direct debit is dishonoured and returned unpaid, the following procedure will apply
    - (i) on the first occasion a letter will be sent to the customer
    - (ii) on the second occasion a final letter will be sent to the customer
- (iii) on the third occasion the direct debit will be cancelled by notification in writing and the customer requested to make alternative arrangements for the payment of outstanding rates.
  - 4.5 Council will charge an administrative fee on each occasion the direct debit is dishonoured and returned unpaid.

#### 5. Dispute

- 5.1 If you believe that there has been an error in debiting *your account, you* should notify us directly on **tel: 03 6238 2787 or email coh@hobartcity.com.au.** Alternatively you can contact your financial institution for assistance.
- 5.2 If we conclude as a result of our investigations that *your* account has been incorrectly debited we will respond to *your* query by arranging within a reasonable period for a refund of the incorrectly debited amount to *your* account. We will also notify you in writing of the amount by which *your* account has been refunded.
- 5.3 If we conclude as a result of our investigations that your account has not been incorrectly debited we will respond to your query by providing you with reasons and any evidence for this finding in writing.

#### 6. Accounts

You should check:

- (a) with your financial institution whether direct debiting is available from your account as direct debiting is not available on all accounts offered by financial institutions.
- (b) your account details which you have provided to us are correct by checking them against a recent account statement; and
- (c) with your financial institution before completing the Direct Debit Request if you have any queries about how to complete the Direct Debit Request.

#### 7. Confidentiality

- 7.1 We will keep any information (including your account details) in your Direct Debit Request confidential. We will make reasonable efforts to keep any such information that we have about you secure and to ensure that any of our employees or agents who have access to information about you do not make any unauthorised use, modification, reproduction or disclosure of that information.
  - 7.2 We will only disclose information that we have about you:
    - (a) to the extent specifically required by law; or
    - (b) for the purposes of this agreement (including disclosing information in connection with any query or claim).

#### 8. Contacting each other

8.1 If you wish to notify us in writing about anything relating to this agreement, you should write to:

**Rates Team** 

City of Hobart

GPO Box 503

HOBART, TAS 7001

Email: coh@hobartcity.com.au

8.2 We will notify you by sending a notice to the preferred address or email you have given us in the Direct Debit Request. Any notice will be deemed to have been received on the fifth banking day after sending.

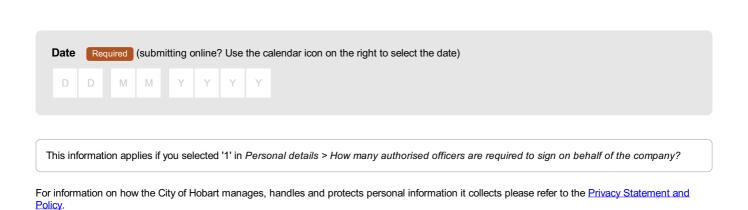
# Authority to debit

By completing this request for direct debit, I request and authorise the City of Hobart (user ID 065809) to arrange a debit from my nominated account to pay for my rates instalment.

This debit or charge will be arranged by my financial institution and made through the Bulk Electronic Clearing System Framework (BECS) from my nominated account and will be subject to the terms and conditions of the Direct Debit Request Service Agreement.

By signing and/or providing the City of Hobart with a valid instruction in respect of this request I confirm that: (Select 1 or more options)
I am authorised to sign on behalf of the company named on this request and I have authority to operate the company's bank account.  Required
the information I have provided is true and correct. Required
I have read, understand and agree to the terms and conditions set out in the direct debit agreement outlined above. Required
by typing my name below I have signed this request. Required
Name of signatory Required

You must be authorised to sign on behalf of the company and you must have authority to operate the company's bank account.



Complete this section if you selected '2' in Personal details > How many authorised officers are required to sign on behalf of the company?

# Authority to debit (authorised officer 2)

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the information I have provided is true and correct.
I have read, understand and agree to the terms and conditions set out in the direct debit agreement outlined above.
by typing my name below I have signed this request.
Answer this question if you selected '2' in Personal details > How many authorised officers are required to sign on behalf of the company?
Name of signatory Required

You must be authorised to sign on behalf of the company and you must have authority to operate the company's bank account.

This information applies if you selected '2' in Personal details > How many authorised officers are required to sign on behalf of the company?

Answer this question if you selected '2' in Personal details > How many authorised officers are required to sign on behalf of the company?

Date Required (submitting online? Use the calendar icon on the right to select the date)

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This information applies if you selected '2' in Personal details > How many authorised officers are required to sign on behalf of the company?

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