



# Single Farm Enterprise Exemption

## Application Form – Fire Services Property Levy and Municipal Charge

### Part A - Information

Where multiple parcels of farmland are used to operate a Single Farming Enterprise (SFE), a person may only be required to pay the fixed charge / municipal charge once by applying for the Single Farming Enterprise exemption. To apply, a person must submit this completed and signed form to Council. You must notify the council 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 property detailed under Part E be considered a Single Farm Enterprise for calculating the Fire Services Property Levy (FSPL) in accordance with the *Fire Services Property Levy Act 2012* and/or municipal charges (if applicable) in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989*

### Part C – Eligibility Validation

Please tick the appropriate answer to each question relating to the land which forms part of the Single Farming Enterprise:

	YES	NO
<p>All of the land is rated as Farmland.</p> <p>Farmland 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.</p> <p><b>*Note:</b> <i>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 FSPL will be levied on any other principal place of residence that is contiguous to farm land farming part of the Single Farm Enterprise.</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
All of the properties are occupied by the same person(s) and are farmed as a single enterprise.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

For more information, please contact the Rates team by 5775 8555 or [rates@mansfield.vic.gov.au](mailto:rates@mansfield.vic.gov.au).  
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### Part C – Eligibility Validation

**\*Note:** Each parcel must be used as 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 / Municipal charge/ Community waste charge will be payable for each venture & residence.**

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

- that seeks to make a profit on a continuous or repetitive basis from its activities on the land; and
- 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 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 – Fire Services Property Levy Fixed Charge and / or Municipal Charge

#### Information

- The FSPL 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 Fixed charge unless all lands in the SFE have a residential land use classification.
- The municipal charge must be paid on at least one rateable land within the Single Farming Enterprise in each council.
- Part F. Councils may amend this nomination if a municipal charge has already been applied to a different property in their municipality.

### Part E – Property Details

Municipality	Assessment No.	Property Address	Occupier/s

**Note:** Please attach a list of additional lands if space provided is insufficient

**Part F - 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 Fire Services Levy Act 2012 and the Local Government Act 1989.

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 if further required.

<b>Phone</b>		<b>Email</b>	
<b>Signature</b>		<b>Date</b>	

**Part G – Privacy Information**

This information is collected by Mansfield Shire Council to establish your eligibility for a single farming enterprise exemption and is required to be provided by the Fire Services Property Levy Act 2012 and/or Local Government Act 1989. This information may also be used by the council for other purposes including issuing permits and licences for 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 [mansfield.vic.gov.au](http://mansfield.vic.gov.au) .

**Part H - Submission**

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