

Ontario Electricity Rebate

Self-declaration form instructions

The Ontario Electricity Rebate (“**OER**”) provides eligible customers with a 13.1% reduction on the amount of their bill before HST (O. Reg. 363/16, the “**Regulation**”). **NOTE** – OER eligibility under the Regulation has been updated in 2022 (O. Reg. 216/22). The updated eligibility is shown on this instruction notice.

The following customers are automatically eligible for the OER and do not need to complete the self-declaration form:

- Residential and Small Commercial customers (billed under a Residential or General Service Energy rate class) using less than 50 kW.
- Commercial accounts that are greater than 50 kW but use less than 250,000 kWh annually.

The following customers are eligible for the OER but need to complete the self-declaration form in order to receive the rebate:

- Commercial customers (billed under a General Service Demand or Sub-transmission rate class) who: (1) have a demand for electricity greater than 50kW, (2) use more than 250,000 kWh a year, and (3) fall under one of the following eligibility criteria:
 - Farming Business
 - Long-term care home, other than an account that is also in respect of a hospital
 - Multi-unit complexes that are predominantly residential, such as condominium and apartment buildings
 - Common elements in multi-unit complexes that are predominantly residential (as of July 1, 2022) Retirement residence (as of July 1, 2022)
 - Mobile home park (as of July 1, 2022)
 (definitions for the above terms are provided on the next page)
- In addition, some accounts that are not eligible but were receiving the former 8% Provincial Rebate that was in place before the OER was introduced on November 1, 2019 receive the OER under a legacy exemption. You should complete this form only if your account relates to:
 - A multi-unit complex
 - Any common elements of a multi-unit complex
 - A retirement residence
 - A mobile home park
- Please refer to the final section of these Instructions for a list of **ineligible premises**.

To submit the self-declaration form online, please visit HydroOne.com/OER. You may also submit the form by email to BCC@HydroOne.com.

If you have any questions about this form, please email us at BCC@HydroOne.com or call us at **1.866.922.2466** and one of our advisors will be happy to help you. Our office hours are Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Note: If your account is using >50 kW and >250,000 kWh/year and is a Farming Business or a Multi-Unit Complex as defined below (does not apply to long-term care homes), you may also be eligible for Regulated Price Plan (“**RPP**”) pricing and can apply using the link below. Residential and Small Commercial customers using less than 50 kW and commercial accounts that are greater than 50 kW but use less than 250,000 kWh annually automatically qualify for RPP and do not need to apply. Please visit the following link for additional information and the required form. HydroOne.com/RPP.

Definitions

Unless otherwise noted, the following definitions are from the Regulation, as amended:

“common elements”, in respect of a multi-unit complex, means any part of the multi-unit complex that is not a unit

“farming business” refers to a consumer that:

1. carries on a business that is a farming business for the purposes of the *Farm Registration and Farm Organizations Funding Act, 1993*, and
2. holds a valid farm business registration number assigned under that Act or the consumer’s obligation to file an application for a farming business registration number was waived pursuant to an order made under subsection 22(6) of that Act.

“long-term care home” means a long-term care home within the meaning of the *Fixing Long-Term Care Act, 2021*

“mobile home” means a dwelling that is designed to be made mobile and that is being used as a permanent residence (*Residential Tenancies Act, 2006*)

“mobile home park” means the land on which one or more occupied mobile homes are located and includes the rental units and the land, structures, services and facilities of which the landlord retains possession and that are intended for the common use and enjoyment of the tenants of the landlord (*Residential Tenancies Act, 2006*)

“multi-unit complex” is defined as a building or related group of buildings containing two or more units, and that is not ineligible as described below

“qualifying unit” is defined for OER purposes as a unit that,

1. consists of a self-contained room or set of rooms,
2. contains kitchen and bathroom facilities that are for the sole use of the unit, and
3. is occupied and used as a residence

“retirement residence” means a multi-unit complex that meets the following requirements but is not a long-term care home:

1. At least 50 per cent of the units in the multi-unit complex are occupied or intended to be occupied as a permanent residence by at least one person who is 65 years of age or older and who is not related to the operator of the multi-unit complex.
2. The total number of persons referred to in paragraph 1 who occupy or are intended to occupy the total number of units described in that paragraph is at least six.

“unit” means:

1. A unit as defined in the *Condominium Act, 1998*,
2. A residential unit or a rental unit, as those terms are defined in subsection 2 (1) of the *Residential Tenancies Act 2006*,
3. A member unit or a non-member unit, as those terms are defined in the *Co-operative Corporations Act*, or
4. Premises that is a demised premises for the purposes of the *Commercial Tenancies Act*.

“unit” does not include a unit that is used or intended for parking or storage purposes or for the purpose of providing space for services, recreation or other facilities or mechanical installations.

A multi-unit complex is ineligible if any part of it is one of the following:

- A hotel, motel, motor hotel, resort, lodge, tourist camp, cottage or cabin establishment, inn, campground, tourist home, bed and breakfast vacation establishment or vacation home
- A trailer park that is not a mobile home park
- Living accommodation occupied by a person for penal or correctional purposes
- A hospital
- A premises that is subject to the *Ministry of Correctional Services Act* or the *Child, Youth and Family Services Act, 2017*
- Short-term living accommodation provided as emergency shelter
- Living accommodation provided by an educational institution to its students or staff where:
 - i. the living accommodation is provided primarily to persons under the age of majority, or all major questions related to the living accommodation are decided after consultation with a council or association representing the residents, and
 - ii. the living accommodation is not intended for year-round occupancy by full-time students or staff and members of their households.

- A university, college of applied arts and technology or other entity that provides post-secondary education
- Premises that is identified by a NAICS code commencing with the digits 21, 22, 23, 31, 32 or 33 (i.e. in the mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction, utilities, construction and manufacturing sectors)

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Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") uses this form to determine a customer's eligibility for the **Ontario Electricity Rebate** ("OER"). This form serves as the notice under Section 1.3(3) of Ontario Regulation 363/16, under the *Ontario Rebate for Electricity Consumers Act*, 2016.

Step 1: Eligibility for the Ontario Electricity Rebate

To be eligible to receive the rebate, you must qualify under **at least one** of the following six criteria. The definitions of each criteria can be found in the Instructions provided with this form. Please check all that apply to your account along with section 7. General.

1. Multi-Unit Complexes

Multi-unit complexes that are predominantly residential, such as condominium and apartment buildings, are eligible for the OER. To qualify, each of the three statements below must apply. *Please check the box next to each statement to confirm it applies to your account.*

- ☐ 1. My account relates solely to a multi-unit complex
- ☐ 2. The multi-unit complex has at least two qualifying units
- ☐ 3. At least 50% of the total number of units in the complex are qualifying units

2. Common Elements of Residential Multi-Unit Complexes such as Condominium or Apartment Buildings

Starting July 1, 2022, accounts for any common elements of a multi-unit complex that is predominantly residential are eligible for the OER. To qualify, each of the three statements below must apply. *Please check the box next to each statement to confirm it applies to your account.*

- ☐ 1. My account relates solely to common elements of a multi-unit complex
- ☐ 2. The multi-unit complex, including any part of the multi-unit complex to which the common area account does not apply, contains at least two qualifying units
- ☐ 3. At least 50 per cent of the units within the multi-unit complex, including any part of the multi-unit complex to which the account does not apply, are qualifying units

3. Retirement Residences

Starting July 1, 2022, accounts for a retirement residence will be eligible for the OER. To qualify, each of the four statements below must apply. *Please check the box next to each statement to confirm it applies to your account.*

- ☐ 1. My account relates solely to a retirement residence
- ☐ 2. At least 50 per cent of the units in the facility are occupied or intended to be occupied as a permanent residence by at least one person who is 65 years of age or older and who is not related to the operator of the facility
- ☐ 3. There are at least six persons aged 65 or older who occupy or are intended to occupy the facility
- ☐ 4. The facility is not a long-term care home

4. Long-Term Care Homes

Long-term care home licensed under the Long-Term Care Homes Act, 2007, other than an account that is also in respect of a hospital, are eligible for the OER. *Please check the box below to confirm it applies to your account.*

- ☐ 1. My account relates solely to a long-term care home

5. Mobile Home Parks

Starting July 1, 2022, accounts for a mobile home park will be eligible for the OER. *Please check the box below to confirm it applies to your account.*

- ☐ 1. My account relates solely to a mobile home park

6. Farming Businesses.

Farming businesses for the purposes of the Farm Registration and Farm Organizations Funding Act, 1993, are eligible for the OER. The farm business must hold a valid registration number assigned under that Act (or an order waiving the need to file an application) to qualify. The farm business registration number or waiver must be in the same name as your account and proof of the farm business registration number (or waiver) must be attached with this form. *Please check the box next to each statement to confirm it applies to your account.*

- ☐ 1. My account relates solely to a farming business
- ☐ 2. The farm business registration number (or order waiving the need to file an application) is in the same name as the account
- ☐ 3. Proof of the farm business registration (or order waiving the need to file an application) is attached with this form

7. General

Please check the box below to confirm it applies to your account.

- ☐ 1. I confirm that my account does not relate in whole or in part to any of the following types of excluded premises
- A hotel, motel or motor hotel, resort, lodge, tourist camp, cottage or cabin establishment, inn, campground, tourist home, bed and breakfast vacation establishment or vacation home
 - A trailer park that is not a mobile home park
 - Living accommodation occupied by a person for penal or correctional purposes
 - A hospital
 - A premises that is subject to the Ministry of Correctional Services Act or the Child, Youth and Family Services Act, 2017
 - Short-term living accommodation provided as emergency shelter
 - Living accommodation provided by an educational institution to its students or staff where,
 - i. the living accommodation is provided primarily to persons under the age of majority, or all major questions related to the living accommodation are decided after consultation with a council or association representing the residents, and
 - ii. the living accommodation is not intended for year-round occupancy by full-time students or staff and members of their households
 - A university, college of applied arts and technology or other entity that provides postsecondary education
 - A premises that is identified by a NAICS code commencing with the digits 21, 22, 23, 31, 32 or 33 ("NAICS" means the North American Industry Classification System maintained by Statistics Canada; the codes starting with the digits above relate to premises that include mining, quarrying, oil and gas extraction, utilities, construction and manufacturing)

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ALL APPLICABLE FIELDS ARE MANDATORY**Step 2: Complete Account Information**

If you have more than one qualified account, please use a separate form for each account.

Hydro One Account Number	
Account Name (as it appears on your bill)	
Service Address	
Name and Title of Authorized Officer / Individual	
Email Address	
Phone Number	
FARM ONLY: Account Holder's Farm Business Registration Number	
FARM ONLY: Does the Account Holder have an AFRAAT* Waiver? Yes/No	
FARM ONLY: Proof of your Farm Business Registration Number or exemption by the Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs Appeals Tribunal (AFRAAT) is required. Proof has been included with your submission. Yes/No	

* an order made by the Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs Appeal Tribunal under subsection 22(6) of the Act.

Please check each box below and sign the form in order for your OER claim to be processed:

Consent to the Release of Information:

- ☐ I consent to Hydro One disclosing the following information to the Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines:
- the name of the Account Holder (unless the account is in the name of an individual);
 - where applicable, the Farm Business Eligibility Criteria applicable to the Account; and
 - where applicable, the total consumption of electricity for the period May 1, 2018 to April 30, 2019.

FARM ONLY: Consent to the Disclosure of Information by Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food and/or AGRICORP and Collection of Information by Hydro One:

- ☐ All information provided on this form is subject to verification by Hydro One and you agree that Hydro One may collect information from and that the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food and/ or AGRICORP may disclose information to Hydro One for the purposes of Hydro One verifying that the Account(s) meet the Farm Business Eligibility Requirements.

Please complete the acknowledgement below:

- ☐ I acknowledge it is an offence to make a false or deceptive statement in a document submitted under the Ontario Rebate for Electricity Consumers Act, 2016 and certify that the information herein is complete and accurate. I confirm that should the account no longer meet the eligibility requirements I will give a revised declaration form to Hydro One within 90 days of the date when the change in eligibility occurred.

Name and Title of Authorized Officer/Individual

Signature of Authorized Officer/Individual

Date

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