Application for First Home Owner Grant

- This application will not be accepted unless **fully completed**, **signed in blue or black ink** and all required **supporting evidence** is lodged.
- Read the **lodgement guide** (**sro.vic.gov.au/FHOGguide**) for explanations of terms used in this application.
- This application must be lodged within 12 months of completion of the eligible transaction.
- It is an offence to make false or misleading statements, and **heavy penalties** may be imposed.
- Please **answer all questions** and tick [✓] the appropriate boxes.

COLLECTION STATEMENT

Your personal information is collected by the State Revenue Office (SRO) to process your application for a First Home Owner Grant. If you do not provide the requested information, the SRO may not be able to determine your eligibility for the First Home Owner Grant.

The information collected may be used for the purposes of laws administered by the SRO and is protected by the secrecy provisions in Acts administered by the SRO. Your personal information collected and handled in accordance with the *Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014* and is not disclosed to any third party without your consent, unless authorised by law. For example, the SRO may be required to provide this information to other government agencies including the Australian Taxation Office, state and territory revenue offices and law enforcement agencies. You can find out more about how the SRO collects, uses, discloses and protects your information in our Privacy Policy at **sro.vic.gov.au/privacy-policy**. To find out how to request access to information relating to you, go to **sro.vic.gov.au/access-foi**.

SECTION 1 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Eligibility is determined at the date of settlement or completion of construction.
- All applicants and their spouse/partner(s) must be considered when answering eligibility questions.

EL	IGIBILITY CHECKLIST	YES	NO
1.	Is this the first time each applicant and/or their spouse/partner will receive a grant under the <i>First Home Owner Grant Act 2000</i> in any state or territory of Australia?		
2.	Is each applicant and their spouse/partner a person who has never owned a residential property, either jointly, separately or with some other person before 1 July 2000 in any state or territory of Australia?		
	Applicants are not eligible for a grant if they or their spouse/partner have held a relevant interest in residential property prior to 1 July 2000, even if they have never occupied the property.		
3.	Is each applicant and their spouse/partner a person who has never occupied a residential property for a continuous period of at least six months in which they acquired a relevant interest on or after 1 July 2000 in any state or territory of Australia?		
4.	Is each applicant a natural person (e.g. not a company or trust) and at least 18 years of age?		
5.	Is at least one applicant a permanent resident or Australian citizen?		
6.	Will at least one applicant be occupying the home as their principal place of residence for a continuous period of at least 12 months commencing within 12 months of completion of the eligible transaction?		
7.	Please answer either 7a. or 7b. based on whichever applies to your circumstances:		
7a	. Has each applicant on or after 1 July 2013, either:		
•	Entered into a contract for the purchase of a new home in Victoria OR		
•	Entered into a contract to have a home built in Victoria OR		
•	In the case of an owner builder, commenced construction of a home in Victoria? (i.e. laying foundations)		
7b	Has each applicant on or before 30 June 2013, either:		
•	Entered into a contract for the purchase of a new home in Victoria OR		
•	Entered into a contract to have a home built in Victoria OR		
•	In the case of an owner builder, commenced construction of a home in Victoria? (i.e. laying foundations) AND		
•	Which completes or settles after 1 July 2013 AND		
•	The Commissioner HAS NOT authorised payment in anticipation of the residence requirement.		
DE	TERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY		
	you answered 'YES' to ALL of the above questions, either 7a. OR 7b. as applicable you may be entitled to r st Home Owner Grant subject to the written decision being made by the Commissioner.	receive th	ne

Please attach additional information (where applicable) to support your eligibility for the First Home Owner Grant.



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DATE LODGED				

SECTION 2 APPLICANT DETAILS

- It is essential that **all applicants** complete this section.
- If there are more than two applicants, please complete and attach an additional application form.
- Each applicant **must sign** the declaration in SECTION 7.

HOW MANY PEOPLE WILL HAVE A RELEVANT INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY?	Are any of the applicants or their spouse/partner(s) related to or associated with the vendor or builder?	YES If YES — Refer to 'further supporting evidence' in the lodgement guide.			
INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIAN — OPTIONAL QUESTION	The information will only be used for statistical purposes by Commonwealth and State Governments, and has no bearing on your application.	Are any of the applicants Strait Islander?			
	APPLICANT 1 (CONTACT APPLICANT)	APPLICANT 2			
Title _{Optional} First name					
Middle name(s)					
Family name					
Name on birth certificate — if different from above	First name	First name Middle name(s)			
	Middle name(s)				
	Family name	Family name			
Date of birth					
Place of birth	State/Territory	State/Territory			
	Country	Country			
Have you ever used any name other than the name(s) declared above?	YES — List name(s) below: NO	YES — List name(s) below: NO			
Daytime phone number	()	()			
Email address					
Current residential address	Street No.	Street No.			
	Street name	Street name			
	Suburb/Town	Suburb/Town			
	State Postcode	State Postcode			
Address for service of notices — if different	Street No.	Street No.			
from above	Street name	Street name			
	Suburb/Town	Suburb/Town			
	State Postcode	State Postcode			
Do you have a spouse/partner?	YES NO	YES NO			
lf you have a spouse/partner, will your spouse/partner have	YES If YES — Your spouse/partner must complete the details as 'Applicant 2' above.	YES If YES — Your spouse/partner must complete the details as an 'Applicant'.			
a relevant interest in the home?	NO If NO — You must complete SECTION 4 — spouse/partner details.	NO If NO — You must complete SECTION 4 — spouse/partner details.			

SECTION 3 AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE EXEMPTION

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Enrolment information is also received from the Victorian Electoral Commission pursuant to the *Electoral Act 2002*. The information obtained by the SRO is used for data verification, revenue management and revenue protection purposes and is handled in accordance with the SRO's legislative obligations.

- An exemption to the residence requirement is available **only** to Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel.
- Only complete the following questions if you are applying for the exemption.
- You **must provide a copy** of an ADF document clearly showing you were a permanent ADF member, and a document confirming enrolment on the Victorian electoral roll, as at completion date of the eligible transaction.

	APPLICANT	1	APPLICANT	2
Was the applicant a member of the permanent forces of the	YES	 If YES — Select which branch you serve(d) in: 	YES	 If YES — Select which branch you serve(d) in:
Australian Defence Force as at the completion date of the		Regular Army		Regular Army
eligible transaction?		Permanent Navy		Permanent Navy
		Permanent Air Force		Permanent Air Force
	NO		NO	
Were all applicants enrolled on t	he Victorian e	electoral roll as at the completion da	te of the elig	ible transaction? 🗌 YES 📃 NO

SECTION 4 SPOUSE/PARTNER DETAILS

- This **must** be completed where the spouse/partner of an applicant has **not** been specified as an applicant in SECTION 2.
- Applicant's spouse/partner **must** sign the spouse/partner declaration in SECTION 8.

	SPOUSE/PARTNER OF APPLICANT 1	SPOUSE/PARTNER OF APPLICANT 2
Title Optional		
First name		
Middle name(s)		
Family name		
Name on birth certificate — if different from above	First name	First name
	Middle name(s)	Middle name(s)
	Family name	Family name
Date of birth	D D M M Y Y Y Y	D D M M Y Y Y
Place of birth	State/Territory	State/Territory
	Country	Country
Has your spouse/partner ever used any name other than the name(s) declared above?	YES — List name(s) below: NO	YES — List name(s) below: NO

SECTION 5 PROPERTY AND TRANSACTION DETAILS

ADDRESS OF THE F	PROPERTY						
Lot No.	Unit/Street No.	Street name					
(ONLY use Lot No. if Street No. is not allocated)	Suburb/Town				С		
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TITLE DETAILS							
Lot No.	Plan No.	Plan	type*	Volume		Folio	
*SP for 'Strata Plan' or PS for '	Plan of Subdivision'.						

SECTION 5 PROPERTY AND TRANSACTION DETAILS | CONTINUED **TRANSACTION DETAILS** What type of transaction does this application refer to?: Contract to build New home Owner builder Established home* Off-the-plan *Only for contracts entered into on or before 30 June 2013 DATE OF CONTRACT (or if owner builder, date the foundations were laid) 2 \cap D М DATE OF SETTLEMENT (or if building, date of completion) 2 n м D If lodging with an approved agent, please estimate APPROVED AGENT AND SRO USE ONLY All evidence sighted Name of person sighting the evidence

Payment eligibility date (Settlement, completion or first draw down date only)

SECTION 6 PAYMENT DETAILS

- If applying with the SRO, the grant will be paid by electronic funds transfer into the account nominated below.
- If you are applying with an approved agent, please **do not** complete the account details below as the grant will be paid through the approved agent in accordance with your agreement.

Name of financial institution and branch	
Account name	
BSB number (must have 6 numbers)	
Account number (maximum of 9 numbers)	

SECTION 7 DECLARATION BY APPLICANT(S)

- I have completed the application form and I declare that all copies of documents attached in support of this application are a true copy of the original document.
- 2. I declare that I have not previously received and retained the grant under the First Home Owner Grant Act 2000 or a corresponding Act in another state or territory, either alone or together with any other person or persons.
- 3. I declare that I have **not owned** a home or had a relevant interest in a residential property within Australia **prior to 1 July 2000**.
- I declare that I have not owned and occupied, for a continuous period of at least six months, a residential property within Australia in which I acquired a relevant interest on or after 1 July 2000.
- 5. I declare that the interest I hold in the property is not held subject to a trust.
- 6. I declare that at the date of the completion of the eligible transaction at least one applicant for the grant is a permanent resident or an Australian citizen.
- I declare that at least one applicant will be residing in the home that is the subject of this application as their

principal place of residence for a continuous period of at least 12 months commencing within 12 months of completion of the eligible transaction.

- 8. I undertake to notify the Commissioner of any notifiable event in writing relevant to the requirements under the *First Home Owner Grant Act 2000* within 14 days from the occurrence of that notifiable event.
- I have read and understood the information prepared by the SRO relating to the conditions of eligibility. I accept that if the conditions are not met, I may not be entitled to receive or retain the grant.
- 10. I authorise the SRO to access and exchange information about me to verify my proof of identity information and to determine my eligibility for the First Home Owner Grant with the approved agent (where applicable), document issuing authorities, other state, territory and Australian Government agencies and commercial organisations as permitted by law.
- 11. I understand that the approved agent is not authorised by the SRO to offer any advice or assistance on the conditions of eligibility for the

grant, or on the completion of this application.

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- 12. I authorise the approved agent to hold the grant until completion of the eligible transaction and to repay the grant to the Commissioner if the transaction is not completed within 28 days of the date specified.
- I authorise the Commissioner to address all correspondence relating to this application to Applicant 1 at the address nominated.
- 14. I acknowledge that I may be required to repay the grant, be liable for penalties and may also be prosecuted for making a false or misleading statement in or in connection with this application for the grant.
- 15. I authorise the SRO to deposit the grant into the account nominated in SECTION 6 (ensure account details are correct) or into the approved agent's nominated account when lodged with the approved agent.
- 16. I understand that the SRO may collect and use my personal information to contact me or to assist it with the investigation and enforcement of the laws administered by the SRO, including the First Home Owner Grant Act 2000.

SECTION 7 DECLARATION BY APPLICANT(S) | CONTINUED

• I declare I have read and understood the information and that the information provided in this application is true and correct.

	APPLICANT 1	APPLICANT 2
Name		
Signature		
Date signed	D D M M 2 0 Y Y	D D M M 2 0 Y Y
Before me Signature of witness*	Signature	Signature
Full name of witness	Name	Name
Address of witness	Street No.	Street No.
	Street name	Street name
	Suburb/Town	Suburb/Town
	State Postcode	State Postcode

*Witness must not be an applicant or spouse/partner of an applicant and must not be related to the applicant or spouse/partner

SECTION 8 DECLARATION BY SPOUSE/PARTNER(S)

- 1. I declare that the spouse/partner details in SECTION 4, insofar as they relate to me, are true and correct.
- 2. I declare that I have not previously received and retained the grant under the *First Home Owner Grant Act 2000* or a corresponding Act in another state or territory, either alone or together with any other person or persons.
- 3. I declare that I have **not owned** a home or had a relevant interest in a

residential property within Australia prior to 1 July 2000.

- I declare that I have not owned and occupied for a continuous period of at least six months a residential property within Australia in which I held a relevant interest on or after July 2000.
- 5. I authorise the SRO to access and exchange information about me to verify my proof of identity information and to confirm other details with the approved agent

SPOUSE/PARTNER OF APPLICANT 1

(where applicable), document issuing authorities, other state, territory and Australian Government agencies and commercial organisations as permitted by law. I recognise that these checks may affect the applicant's eligibility for the First Home Owner Grant.

6. I acknowledge that I may be prosecuted and fined for making a false or misleading statement in or in connection with this application for the grant.

SPOUSE/PARTNER OF APPLICANT 2

Name		[
Signature					
Date signed	D D M M 2 0 Y Y		D D M	м 20 у	Y
Before me Signature of witness*	Signature	[Signature		
Full name of witness	Name		Name		
Address of witness	Street No.	[Street No.		
	Street name		Street name		
	Suburb/Town	[Suburb/Town		
	State Postcode	[State F	Postcode	
	*Witness must not be an applicant or spouse/partner of an applicant	t and m	nust not be related to t	the applicant or spouse/partner	

LODGEMENT

If you are lodging through a bank, conveyancer or broker, send the application and all supporting documents directly to them. If settlement has occurred and you are lodging directly with the State Revenue Office, send the application and all supporting documents to: State Revenue Office, GPO Box 1641, MELBOURNE VIC 3001.

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SECTION 9 SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST

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- To ensure your application is processed in a timely manner, ensure the application is **fully completed**, signed and dated.
- Please complete the checklist to ensure you have attached the required supporting documentation defined in the lodgement guide. **Attach** these papers to this page.
- Your application will be returned to you if not fully completed and all required supporting documentation is not attached.
- Additional documents may be requested after lodgement of your application.
- Refer to the lodgement guide for the documentation required.
- Submit an originally signed application and copies of supporting documents, unless otherwise requested.

APPLICANT TO TICK IF ATTACHED APPROVED AGENT / SRO TO TICK WHEN SIGHTED	APPLICANT	APPROVED AGENT / SRO					
PROOF OF IDENTITY OF ALL APPLICANTS AND THEIR SPOUSE/PARTNER:							
CATEGORY 1 Type of document submitted:							
CATEGORY 2* Type of document submitted:							
CATEGORY 3* Type of document submitted:							
CATEGORY 4* Type of document submitted:							
ADDITIONAL SUPPORTING EVIDENCE (IF APPLICABLE):							
Copy of marriage or divorce certificate, death certificate or change of name certificate							
Originally signed statutory declaration for those who are separated							
 FOR OFF-THE-PLAN HOME CONTRACTS: Copy of the exchanged contract of sale, dated and signed by all parties 							
Copy of the transfer of land with a dealing number FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW HOME:							
 Copy of the exchanged contract of sale, dated and signed by all parties 							
 Copy of the building permit and/or a copy of the Domestic Building Insurance Certificate of Insurance from the contract of sale 							
Copy of the Certificate of Occupancy							
Copy of the transfer of land with a dealing number							
• Written and originally signed statement from the vendor(s) confirming the 'property (stating the address) has never been lived in and that this is the first sale of the property as a residential premises'							
FOR A CONTRACT TO BUILD A NEW HOME:							
Copy of your contract to build dated and signed by all parties							
• Title search showing the applicant(s) as the registered proprietor(s)*							
Copy of the Certificate of Occupancy*							
FOR OWNER BUILDER:							
Copy of the evidence for laying of the foundations							
Copy of the Certificate of Occupancy							
Copy of receipts for the home totalling more than the grant amount*							
• Title search showing the applicant(s) as the registered proprietor(s)*							
FOR RELATED OR ASSOCIATED PARTY, NOMINEE PURCHASER OR DECEASED ESTATE TRANS	ACTIONS:						
 Supporting evidence if your application falls within one of the following: related or associated party*; nominee purchaser*; or deceased estate (not related) transaction 							
All deceased estate (related) transactions must be lodged with the SRO — Refer to the lodgemen	it guide						
*Not required if your application is lodged with an approved agent							
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Name of person sighting the documentation above							
Name of employer							
Signature Date D D	м 2	0 ү ү					