



Claim for Exceptional Circumstances Exit Grant

Purpose of this form

This form is used to claim an Exceptional Circumstances Exit Grant of up to \$150,000 for those farmers located within an Exceptional Circumstances declared area on or after 25 September 2007, including prima facie and interim declared areas, that sell their farm enterprise and leave farming. The Grant is payable on the sale of the farming enterprise subject to assets test and other eligibility criteria.

Exceptional Circumstances Exit Grant is paid to eligible farmers to help leave farming

To get the Exceptional Circumstances Exit Grant:

- you must be a farmer
- you must be an Australian resident or have permission to live permanently in Australia
- your farm must be or have been located in an Exceptional Circumstances declared area on or after 25 September 2007 or in an area being considered for full Exceptional Circumstances.

Definition of a partner

For Controllink purposes a person is considered to be **your partner** If you and the person are living together, or usually live together, and are:

- · married, or
- in a registered relationship (opposite-sex or same-sex), or
- in a de facto relationship (opposite-sex or same-sex).

Centrelink considers a person to be in a de facto relationship from the time they commence living with another person as a member of a couple.

Centrelink recognises all couples, opposite-sex and same-sex.

For more information

Go to our website at www.centrelink.gov.au or call us on 13 2316 or visit your local Centrelink Customer Service Centre.

To speak to Contrelink in languages other than English, call 13 1202.

Note: Calls from your home phone to Centrelink 13 numbers from anywhere in Australia are charged at a fixed rate. That rate may vary from the price of a local call and may also vary between telephone service providers. Calls from public and mobile phones may be timed and charged at a higher rate.

If you have a hearing or speech impairment

TTY service Freecall™ 1800 810 586. A TTY phone is required to use this service.

Interpreters and translations

If you need an interpreter or translation of any documents for Centrelink business, we can arrange this for you free of charge.

What else you will need to provide

You will need to provide **proof of identity**. There is a complete list of acceptable documents in the *Notes* in this form,

This form tells you which other documents you need to provide to support your claim.

Depending on your circumstances, you may have to fill in other forms.

Filling in this form

Please use black or blue pen.

Mark boxes like this with a vor X.

Where you see a box like this Go to 5 skip to the question number shown. You do not need to answer the questions in between.

Please keep these Notes (pages 1 to (1) for your information

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Important information



While this program has been extended, the overall program funds are capped and as a result, the program may close earlier than scheduled. If you wish to access assistance under this program, you will need to sell your farm (based on date of settlement) and lodge a full claim with Centrelink while the program remains open. If your farm is sold after the program has closed, you may not be eligible for assistance under this program.

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