Eligibility check

* indicates a required field

Before proceeding with the application, please ensure that you meet all eligibility criteria in the *Guidelines*.

If you have questions about this program or the eligibility criteria, please contact Business Tasmania on 1800 440 026 or <u>ask@business.tas.gov.au</u>.

For an application to be deemed eligible, supporting documentation will need to be provided.

The Department of State Growth may contact you to obtain additional information regarding your application and may utilise information available to it in the normal course of business to assist in informing the assessment of your application.

Please confirm by checking the following eligibility criteria

Only one application per ABN under the program is permitted.

Your business: *

□ Holds an active Australian Business Number (ABN) at the time of application.

□ Holds an active Property Identification Code (PIC)*.

□ Is a livestock Primary Producer^{**}, with livestock (eg sheep, cattle) and/or livestock product (eg wool, milk)# sales: (i) of at least 50,000 per annum (ex-GST); and (ii) representing at least 50% of total sales (ex-GST)##.

□ Operates at least a 20-hectare farm property in any area of Tasmania, excluding King and Flinders Islands.

□ Is able to demonstrate that its farm business has been severely impacted by extended abnormally dry conditions (addressing indicators such as rainfall deficiency, water shortage, soil moisture, runoff, and additional expenditure incurred).

□ Is able to demonstrate that the farm business has experienced, or expects to experience, significant financial impact, causing some hardship, due to extended dry conditions, for example from increased feed or pasture recovery costs.

Is NOT an entity that is trading insolvent, under external administration or bankruptcy.
Is NOT operating on King or Flinders Islands (support is available under King and Flinders Island – Primary Producers – Seasonal Conditions Scheme).

* A PIC is a unique eight-character alphanumeric code allocated by the Department of Natural Resources and Environment (NRE). All properties that run livestock must be registered with NRE and have a PIC allocated to buy, sell, and move livestock. **For the purposes of this grant program, an eligible Primary Producer refers to the carrying on of a business of primary production consistent with Taxation Ruling TR97/11 available on the Australian Taxation Office website. #Livestock product sales should be derived from livestock owned by the applicant. ##This criterion will be verified against accountant prepared financial statements or tax returns for the year ending 30 June 2023. If 2023 financials have not been finalised with your accountant, management accounts from Xero, MYOB or equivalent should be provided. If the size of your livestock primary production business has only just reached these thresholds this financial year, year to date management accounts from Xero, MYOB or equivalent should be provided.

If you would like to provide any clarity regarding your eligibility, please include this below *

Third party submissions

Are you submitting this application on behalf of a client, for example, as their accountant, bookkeeper or another third party? *

⊖ Yes

O No

Eligibility Note: Third party submissions will be assessed as ineligible unless the applicant has provided the third party with written permission to do so on their behalf, and this permission is submitted as evidence with the application.

Upload signed authorisation from the applicant business to submit this application on their behalf *

Attach a file:

Applicant details

* indicates a required field

Applicant business

Full legal entity applying for the grant (note: this must be the entity which carries on the primary production business and holds the PIC) * Organisation Name

For trusts – please state the trustee as well as the trust i.e. Example Pty Ltd as trustee for the Example Family Trust

Trading name (if different from above)

Organisation Name

Business address * Address Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Postal address (if different from above) * Address

Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.

Australian Business Number (ABN) *

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register				
ABN				
Entity name				
ABN status				
Entity type				
Goods & Services Tax (GST)				
DGR Endorsed				
ATO Charity Type	More information			
ACNC Registration				
Tax Concessions				
Main business location				
Must be an ADN				

Must be an ABN.

You can use the <u>ABN Lookup website</u> to search for your ABN and related information.

Contact person

This person will receive general correspondence relating to this application.

Name * First Name	Last Name	
Position *		
Email *		

Phone *

Include area code if landline

Bank details

Name of bank account holder (this should be in the name of the applicant entity).

Bank account BSB number *

Must be a valid Australian bank 6 digit BSB. For example 123456

Bank account number *

Must be a valid Australian bank account number, excluding the BSB.

I declare the above details are accurate *

- O Yes
- O No

If the bank account name differs from the name of the applicant business, please provide an explanation.

Tax requirements

No GST will apply to this grant.

The receipt of funding from this program may be treated as income by the ATO.

While grants are typically treated as assessable income for taxation purposes, how they are treated will depend on the recipient's particular circumstances.

Applicants may wish to seek independent advice about the possible tax implications for receiving the grant under the program from a tax advisor, financial advisor and/or the Australian Taxation Office (ATO), prior to submitting an application.

Information for assessment

* indicates a required field

Business description

Please select which Local Government Area (LGA) your primary production business operates in. *

Please list the addresses and PICs of the properties that your business uses for primary production purposes in the LGA selected above.

Address	PIC		
Address Line 1, Suburb/Town, State/Province, Postcode, and Country are required.			

Farm land size

Please enter your business's total hectares under management on Mainland Tasmania *

Must be a number.

To be eligible under the scheme you must operate at least a 20-hectare farm property in any area of Tasmania, excluding King and Flinders Islands.

Business activities

Please describe the activities that your business undertakes, including the type and number (headcount) of livestock. *

Word count: Must be at least 15 words.

Financial information

This information will be used in the assessment process to confirm your business's eligibility and grant amount.

Please upload:

• Farm business - accountant prepared financial statements, including livestock trading schedules, or tax return, for the year ended 30 June 2023.

*Please note, if 2023 financials have not been finalised with your accountant, management accounts from Xero, MYOB or equivalent should be provided.

If the size of your livestock primary production business has only just reached thresholds this financial year, year to date management accounts from Xero, MYOB or equivalent should be provided.

Farm business - 2023 accountant prepared financials and tax return *

Attach a file:

*Multiple files can be uploaded. Please ensure that all Tax File Numbers (TFNs) are removed from tax returns submitted in your application.

Other supporting documents Attach a file:

Please ensure that all Tax File Numbers (TFNs) are removed from tax returns submitted in your application.

Revenue and livestock and/or livestock product sales

Please enter the total livestock sales (ex GST) shown in your 2023 financial statements/tax return (eg sheep, cattle). *

Must be a number.

Please enter the total livestock product sales (ex GST) shown in your 2023 financial statements/tax return (eg wool, milk). *

Must be a number.

Total livestock sales and livestock product sales *

This number/amount is calculated. Total livestock and/or livestock sales in the 2023 financial year.

Please enter total sales (ex GST) shown in your 2023 financial statements/tax return. *

Must be a number. This figure should be your total sales including livestock sales and all other sales of goods and services by your business

Livestock and livestock product sales as a percentage of total sales

This number/amount is calculated. Total livestock/livestock product sales as a per cent of total sales

Grant funding - Tier 1

Based on the information above, your business may be eligible for a Mainland Tasmania Livestock Producers Seasonal Conditions Scheme Tier 1 grant of \$2,500.

Grant funding - Tier 2

Based on the information above, your business may be eligible for a Mainland Tasmania Livestock Producers Seasonal Conditions Scheme Tier 2 grant, of \$5,000.

Grant funding - below minimum tier

Grants are not available for businesses with livestock and/or livestock product sales of less than \$50,000 in the applicable financial year or where total livestock sales and/or livestock product sales do not represent at least 50% of total sales (ex-GST) in the financial year.

Demonstration of impact of extended dry conditions

Please refer to the following links to assist in evidencing your response to the question below:

https://awo.bom.gov.au/products/historical/soilMoisture-rootZone/5.5,-37.558,145.951/ nat,-42.187,147.149/r/d/2024-03-19

http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/drought/#tabs=Summary

http://www.bom.gov.au/climate/maps/rainfall/? variable=rainfall&map=totals&period=7month®ion=nat&year=2023&month=12&day=31

https://myclimateview.com.au/

Please describe how your farm business has been severely impacted by extended abnormally dry conditions. Applicants must address indicators such as rainfall deficiency, water shortage, soil moisture, runoff, and additional expenditure incurred. Please refer to the indicators from the above links to assist in evidencing these factors: *

Word count: Must be at least 50 words.

Significant financial impact

To be eligible for a grant, applicants must be able to demonstrate that the farm business has experienced, or expects to experience significant financial impact, causing some hardship, due to the extended dry conditions in the Eligible LGAs.

Has your farm business experienced, or is expecting to experience, significant financial impact, causing some hardship, due to the extended dry conditions on mainland Tasmania? *

⊖ Yes

O No

Please describe how and the extent that the farm business has experienced, or expects to experience, significant financial impact, causing some hardship, due to extended dry conditions, for example from increased feed or pasture recovery costs. *

Word count: Must be at least 100 words.

Supporting documentation - evidence of abnormally dry conditions and financial impact

Please attach any relevant evidence to support the above comments.

Attach a file:

Declaration

* indicates a required field

Right to information

Information you provide to the Department of State Growth and details of assistance may be subject to requests for public disclosure under the <u>*Right to Information Act 2009* (Tasmania</u>).

Personal information collection

You are providing personal information to the Department of State Growth, which will manage that information in accordance with the <u>Personal Information Protection Act</u> <u>2004</u>. The personal information collected here will be used by the Department for the purpose of assessing your application and related activities. Failure to provide this information may result in your application not being assessed or records not being properly maintained. The Department may also use the information for related purposes, or disclose it to third parties in circumstances allowed for by law. You have the right to access your personal information by request to the Department and you may be charged a fee for this service.

Refer to the program <u>Guidelines</u> for the full conditions to this grant.

The term 'Application' means this on-line form and all attached documents.

By submitting this form, for and on behalf of the applicant detailed in this application, I acknowledge and warrant (as the case may be) that:

- 1.I have authority to provide the information contained in this application and to execute (by completion of details below) this application for and on behalf of the applicant.
- 2.The Department can rely upon the information and representations contained in this application (including these acknowledgements).
- 3.I have read, understood and I am able to comply with all criteria, terms and conditions contained in the guidelines and application form.
- 4.I have read and understood the eligibility requirements and assessment method for this program and declare to the best of my information, knowledge and belief, the applicant is eligible under those criteria and the information provided is true and correct.
- 5.The Department may undertake all necessary credit checks, organisational searches and any other checks and enquiries on the applicant as the Department determines and is hereby authorised to do so.
- 6.The application is made at the applicant's own cost and risk, the selection of the applicant for program funds is at the absolute discretion of the Department and this application remains the property of the Department.
- 7.The applicant will be responsible for notifying the Department in writing of any changes relating to information provided in this application. Until receipt of such notification, the Department shall process the application in accordance with the information provided.
- 8.Grant payments will be made via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) to a nominated bank account and the Department is hereby authorised to make such payments.
- 9. The Department is under no obligation to verify the authority of the undersigned on the bank account details.
- 10.he Department will not be held responsible for delays of payment, or errors due to factors outside their reasonable control. The Department reserves the right to terminate or suspend an EFT and to pay by cheque or any other manner which the Department may determine.
- 1 The applicant agrees to indemnify the Crown in the Right of Tasmania, against all present and future legal liability, claims or proceedings for financial loss arising from, or attributable to the provision and use of the information contained in this application and/or receipt and use of grants from the Mainland Tasmania Livestock Producers Seasonal Conditions Scheme.
- 12f a grant is awarded the applicant, by submitting this application, enters into a legal agreement with the Department in order to receive the grant. This application form, together with the applicable program guidelines, will form the whole agreement.
- 13.am providing personal information to the Department of State Growth, which will manage that information in accordance with the *Personal Information Protection Act* 2004. The personal information collected here will be used by the Department for the purpose of the grant approvals process and administering grants. Failure to provide this information may result in my grant application being unsuccessful or records not being properly maintained. The Department may also use the information for related purposes or disclose it to third parties in circumstances allowed for by law. I have the right to access my personal information by request to the Department and may be charged a fee for this service.
- 14.understand that my application and associated documents may be submitted to third party software to confirm its authenticity.

I agree *

⊖ Yes

Person completing this application

Electronic signature *

First Name Last Name

Position held *			