

## GENERAL RATES

Category	Description	Cent in Dollar	Minimum Rate
1	Residential	03.9070	\$751.60
8	Blackall Town CBD < 0.3000 ha	12.2612	\$809.70
10	Blackall Town CBD ≥ 0.3000 ha	16.0612	\$809.70
11	Commercial Other	06.2332	\$809.70
14	Communication Sites	05.9334	\$809.70
15	Industrial	01.9828	\$809.70
21	Rural Properties	00.2730	\$809.70
22	Town Rural under 100 Ha	00.6158	\$809.70
23	Town Rural 100-<500 Ha	00.2955	\$809.70

## PAYMENTS IN ADVANCE

Regular advance payments are encouraged. Any payments made in advance will show as a credit balance brought forward on the next rate notice. Interest is not paid on credit balances held. Contact Council to discuss how to set up payments via direct debit or BPay.

## EMAILED RATE NOTICES

You can now receive your rate notices via email instead of in the post. Contact Council to find out how.

## WHAT IS A VALUATION?

The Queensland Valuer – General provides land valuation for all rateable properties in Queensland in accordance with the Land Valuations Act 2010.

Land values are calculated using information from sales trends, physical inspections, and interviews with vendors and purchasers if appropriate. They also take into consideration what the land is used for, what it's zoned for, what the physical attributes of the land are and what constraints it might have. More information about how valuations are conducted is available at [www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/title](http://www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/title)

## THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT LEVY

The Emergency Management Levy (EML) is a compulsory fee collected by Council on behalf of the Queensland Government and remits the proceeds to Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES). The EML is applied to all Queensland properties to ensure there is a sustainable funding base for our fire and emergency services and recognises that all Queenslanders are at risk from a wide range of emergencies including floods, cyclones, storms as well as fire and accidents. For more information, visit the Queensland Fire and Rescue website.



Rate Notices are issued twice a year!

DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN PAY YOUR RATES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR?

You can make weekly, fortnightly or monthly payments. Divide your yearly amount into smaller, more manageable amounts to make payments easier.

### All correspondence to be addressed to:

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**Blackall Branch** located at:  
6 Coronation Drive, Blackall QLD 4472  
**Tambo Branch** located at:  
21 Arthur Street, Tambo QLD 4478  
**Council Administration Office Hours**  
**Monday to Friday**  
**8:30am to 4:30pm**

We are committed to the continuous improvement of our customer service and welcome your comments and suggestions. We will endeavour to respond to your enquiries promptly.

### Council Meetings

Council's Ordinary Meetings are open to the public and are held on the third Wednesday of each month commencing at 8.30am. Contact the Council Office to confirm the date and location of the next ordinary Meeting.

### Change of Postal Address

The **owner** is responsible for promptly notifying Council – by email, mail or fax – of any change of postal address to which rate notices are to be sent. Failure to do so may result in a loss of discount. Please quote the rating assessment or property number(s) and/or the street address of any property in the advice.

### Payment Methods

- \* In person at either Blackall or Tambo Office – cash, cheque, money order, EFTPOS, Visa or Mastercard. Payment Hours: 8.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday
- \* Mail your payment together with the remittance slip on the bottom of the Rate Notice (only cheques or money orders are accepted by mail)
- \* By phone – by calling 07 4621 6600
- \* Online via BPay – through your financial Institution

## RATES INFORMATION 2023/2024



The information contained in this brochure is a guide only. Council Minutes are the official documents that set the rates, charges and Council policy.

### DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATE >>

This information is provided in compliance with Section 92 and 94 of the Local Government Act 2009.

Differential General Rates apply as detailed herewith, Category 1 to Category 23. The category of land is shown on each individual rate notice for that parcel of land. The Blackall-Tambo Regional Council identifies the rating category in which land is included.

A ratepayer may object to the categorisation of the land by giving to the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council notice of objection in writing within 30 days after the date of issue of this rate notice or any further period the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council allows.

The sole ground on which a ratepayer may object is that, having regard to the criteria decided by the Local Government by which rateable land is categorised, the land should have been included, as at the date of issue of the rate notice, in another of the rating categories. Giving a notice of objection will not, in the meantime, affect the levy and recovery of rates. If a ratepayer's land is included in another rating category because of the objection, an adjustment of rates will be made. General rates are levied using two valuation methodologies, Site Value for non-rural land & unimproved value for rural land. Valuations are provided by the Department of Resources. All land in the Region was revalued in June 2023 and is now the current valuation used for rating purposes.

### DISCOUNT

Discount is only applicable to General Rate Charges.

Discount: 30 days from the date of issue

General Rates: 15%

Discount: 45 days from the date of issue

General Rates: 7.5%

### INTEREST

All rates and charges remaining outstanding after the date on which they fall due will be deemed to be overdue and will therefore bear interest at a compounding daily rate of 11.64%.

### PENSIONER RATE REMISSION

Eligible pensioners may receive assistance in the payment of their general rates via a Council rebate. Pensioners can receive a rebate of rates up to a maximum amount of \$340.00 per annum. Eligibility is based on meeting the requirements to qualify under the State Government Pensioner Rebate Subsidy Scheme.





## DESCRIPTION OF THE DIFFERENTIAL GENERAL RATING CATEGORY

### Category 1 – Residential

Land used or intended for use in whole or in part, for residential purposes within township of Blackall and Tambo and which is not otherwise categorised.

### Category 8 – Blackall Town CBD <0.3000 Ha

Land zoned or partially zoned commercial in the Planning Scheme or being used for commercial purposes fronting Shamrock Street between Violet Street and Hawthorn Street in the town of Blackall, with a total area of less than 0.3000 ha and excluding land solely used for residential purposes and excluding rate assessment 10347-10000-000.

### Category 10 – Blackall Town CBD ≥0.3000 Ha

Land zoned or partially zoned commercial in the Planning Scheme or being used for commercial purposes fronting Shamrock Street between Violet Street and Hawthorn Street in the town of Blackall, with a total area of equal to or greater than 0.3000 Ha and excluding land solely used for residential purposes and excluding rate assessment 10347-10000-000.

### Category 11 – Commercial Other

Land used or intended for use, in whole or in part, for commercial purposes and which is not otherwise categorised.

### Category 14 – Communication Sites

Land used for the purposes of a transformer.

### Category 15 – Industrial

Land used or intended for use, in whole or in part, for industrial purposes and which is not otherwise categorised.

### Category 21 – Rural Properties

Land, that is zoned rural, which is not otherwise categorised and is equal to or greater than 500 Ha in size.

### Category 22 -Town Rural under 100 Ha

Land, that is zoned rural or recreation and open space, which is not otherwise categorised, and is less than 100 Ha in size.

### Category 23 -Town Rural 100 - <500 Ha

Land, that is zoned rural or recreation and open space, which is not otherwise categorised, and is equal to or greater than 100 Ha but less than 500 Ha in size

## Waste/Cleansing/Garbage/Refuse Collection & Disposal Charges

Council will levy a waste collection and disposal charge on the owner of each residential land or structure within the waste collection area, regardless of whether ratepayers choose to use the services provided by Council. Where there is more than one (1) structure capable of separate occupation, a charge shall be made for each structure. The residential charge shall be based on one 240 litre wheelie bin service per week. Where an additional service is requested, the resident will be charged a second charge and so on for further additional services.

For non-residential land, the standard charge for non-residential properties shall be on 240 litre wheelie bin service per week, regardless of whether the ratepayer chooses to use the service provided by Council. Where an additional service is requested by the ratepayer or determined by Council, the ratepayer will be charged a second charge and so on for further additional services.

## Waste Management Charges

Collection Charge	Charge per annum
Residential Waste Collection & Disposal Charge	\$260.60 per unit
Non-Residential Waste Collection & Disposal Charge	\$260.60 per unit

For all land categorised town rural, waste management charge will apply to ensure contribution towards the cost of the service and maintaining the waste facilities in each community. Council owned or state-controlled land are excluded.

Waste Management Charges	\$65.80 per assessment
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## Queensland State Government Emergency Management Levy

Levy 2023/2024	Class 'D'	Class 'E'
Group 1	\$29.20	\$29.20
Group 2	\$119.00	\$119.00
Group 3	\$292.80	\$292.80
Group 4	\$591.60	\$591.60
Group 5	\$972.40	\$972.40
Group 6	\$1752.20	\$1752.20
Group 7	\$2863.20	\$1752.20

A fee of \$55.00 will apply on each change of land ownership received and recorded by the Council. Advices are provided to Council after settlement of all property transfers by the Department of Resources.

## SEWERAGE CHARGES

Sewerage Charge	Description	Charge per annum
Blackall Sewerage Connected Charge	Charge applied to a single unit dwelling, each unit of a multi-unit dwelling and for the 1 <sup>st</sup> pedestal in all non-residential allotments	\$647.30
Tambo Community Effluent Processing – Connected charge	Charge applied to a single unit dwelling, each unit of a multi-unit dwelling and for the 1 <sup>st</sup> pedestal in all non-residential allotments	\$647.30
Blackall and Tambo Sewerage Access Charge	Charge applied to each parcel of land in the sewer area and is capable of being connected to the sewerage system and does not attract a Sewerage Connected Charge.	\$486.60
Additional (non-residential) Pedestal Charge - Blackall	After the Sewerage Connected Charge, the charge applied to each additional non-residential pedestal (including urinal cistern) that is connected to the sewer scheme	\$300.60
Additional (non-residential) Pedestal Charge – Tambo	After the Sewerage Connected Charge, the charge applied to each additional non-residential pedestal (including urinal cistern) that is connected to the sewer scheme	\$139.40

## WATER CHARGES

Water Charge	Description	Charge per annum
Water Connected Charge	Charge will apply to all domestic residential dwellings, connected vacant land and religious buildings within the town water network	\$647.30 per unit
Frames Lane Water Connected Charge	Charge applied to all water connected in the Frames Lane Rural Residential Subdivision, metered and an allocation of 2400 kilolitres	\$756.70 per unit
Water Access Charge	Charge will apply to all un-connected parcels of land capable of connection	\$443.20
Water Other Connected Charge	Charge applies to all other water connections not described above. This charge is based on the existing water unit structure and is further detailed in Council's Revenue Statement	\$108.10 per unit
Water – Excess Water	Charge applied for excess water used on land outside of the water area	\$1.04 per Kilolitre