

Duty concession

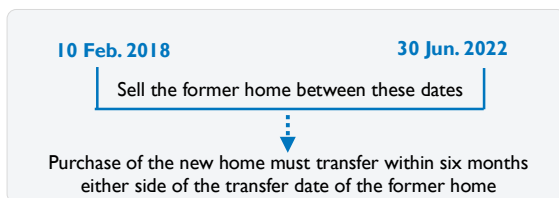
For pensioners selling their existing home to downsize to another property ...

What is the concession?

The concession provides a 50 per cent discount on property transfer duty for eligible pensioners who sell their existing home and downsize by buying another home. Both homes must be in Tasmania and the new home must be an established property.

The concession is available where:

- (i) the new property has a dutiable value of \$400 000 or less up until 15 March 2021, or \$500 000 or less for homes purchased from 16 March 2021 and the new property has a value less than that of the former home;
- (ii) the sale of the former home transfers between **10 February 2018** and **30 June 2022** inclusive; and
- (iii) the purchase of the new home transfers within six months (either before or after) the transfer (selling date) of the former home.



Which homes are eligible?

The home being purchased must:

- be an established home (not vacant land); and
- have a dutiable value less than that of the former home; and
- have a dutiable value of \$400 000 or less up until 15 March 2021 or \$500 000 or less from 16 March 2021.

I have sold my former home and I am about to settle on the purchase of my new home, how do I apply for the concession?

To apply an eligible pensioner will need to complete the [Pensioners downsizing to a new home duty concession application](#) confirming they meet all the eligibility requirements.

If you have a representative acting for you in your purchase, provide the completed application form to them. If you declare that you meet all the eligibility requirements, your representative will apply the concession to your transaction.

If you are representing yourself, you must include the completed application form with your transfer when lodging your documentation with the State Revenue Office for assessment of duty.

Eligibility requirements for at least one of the buyers

- Must be aged 60 years or over and:
 - hold a Pensioner Concession Card; or
 - receive a DVA special rate pension; or
 - hold a Commonwealth Seniors Health Card.
- Must have occupied the former home as their principal place of residence for at least six months.*
- Intends living in the newly purchased home for at least six months, commencing within 12 months after its purchase.*
- Must ensure that ownership of the newly purchased home is in the same name/names as that for the former home prior to its transfer.*
- The eligible pensioner (or the pensioner's spouse) must not own a home at the transaction date other than the former home or new home.

* The Commissioner has a discretion to vary this requirement where there is good reason to do so.

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I am about to purchase a new home and I haven't yet sold my former home, what do I do?

It will be necessary to initially pay full duty on the purchase of the new home.

Once your former home is then sold, and you are an eligible pensioner that can satisfy the eligibility requirements, you can then apply for a refund by completing the [Pensioners downsizing to a new home duty concession application](#) and lodge it with the State Revenue Office.

What should I do if I have already paid duty but am entitled to the concession?

If you have already paid duty and wish to apply for a refund, please complete the [Pensioners downsizing to a new home duty concession application](#) and lodge it with the State Revenue Office.

Contact and other details

- [Property Transfer Duties](#)
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