



Claim for additional assistance for drought affected farmers



Department of
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FISHERIES &
FORESTRY -
AUSTRALIA



What assistance is available?

- Interim Income Support Payment
- Interest Rate Relief for Stock Support and Drought Recovery

To get Interim Income Support Payment and the Interest Rate Relief:

- you must be a farmer;
- you must be over 18 years old;
- you must be an Australian citizen or have permission to stay permanently in Australia; and
- your farm enterprise must be located in an eligible area as advised by the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

Privacy

Your personal information is protected by law.

Centrelink may disclose limited information (for example income and assets) about you to your partner and/or other parties when your circumstances affect their entitlement to payments and services.

Centrelink may use your personal information contained in this claim form should an Exceptional Circumstance Declaration be made for your area.

Centrelink may give your information to:

- The Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry – Australia (AFFA) for the purpose of the joint administration of this program.

Limited information may be used to conduct customer surveys run by Centrelink, its client departments or by research organisations on their behalf (see pamphlet *Customer Research and You*).

Centrelink can give your information to someone else in special circumstances where Commonwealth legislation allows or requires or where you give permission. You can get more information about privacy from Centrelink in a pamphlet called *Your Right to Privacy*.

Keep these Notes for your information

Income Support Payment

Please read the following information before filling in the form

The information asked for on this form is requested in order to assess your entitlement to payment. Information relating to programs jointly administered with another department may be passed to that department e.g. the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry - Australia.

Income Support Payment is only available to farmers

Farmer means a person who owns or leases land for farming, contributes significant labour and capital to the farm and gains a significant part of their income from the farm. A farm means an enterprise carried on within any of the agricultural, horticultural, pastoral, apicultural or aquacultural industries.

Income Support is paid fortnightly and can only be paid to farmers who prove that their farm is in an eligible area as advised by the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

The Commonwealth will announce details regarding the period for which income support is to be provided.

If an Exceptional Circumstance Declaration is made, Income Support payments will cease and Exceptional Circumstance Relief Payment will be made available. You will need to apply separately for Exceptional Circumstance Relief Payment.

Interest Rate Relief for Farmers

Farmers who borrow new and/or additional funds of up to \$100,000 from banks and other commercial institutions may be eligible to receive Interest Rate Relief of 50 percent of the prevailing interest rate, or 5 percentage points, whichever is the lesser amount. This means farmers could receive up to \$5,000 per year for 2 years.

Interest Rate Relief must be paid directly into the loan account for which it is being paid. Applications must be lodged during the 6 month period that Interim Income Support is available.

Filling in the claim form

Please do your best to fill in the claim form. If you cannot answer all the questions, fill in as much as you can, and get in touch with the local Centrelink office or Rural Counsellor as soon as possible. We will help you to fill it in, please call Centrelink on **13 23 16**.

Confirming you are in an eligible area

Centrelink will confirm your farm's location with the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry - Australia (AFFA) to ensure that your farm enterprise is located in an eligible area.

Giving us your claim form

When you claim, you may have to fill in other forms depending on whether you have children, income, assets, etc. The quickest way to have your claim assessed would be to phone Centrelink to make an appointment at the service office nearest you. If it is difficult for you to get to the office, phone Centrelink on **13 23 16** for advice.

Income and non-farm assets

Both payments are subject to a non-farm assets test. Farm assets are those which are essential to the effective running of the farm (e.g. farm land, plant or machinery).

The income test only applies to the interim income support payment. Income includes an estimate of your farm's income for the current financial year and any income earned, derived or received from any other source (e.g. a wage from employment or interest received from investments).

If you have been forced to sell livestock due to the drought, income from this may be exempt. If you are claiming such an exemption, you may have to provide disposal documentation and evidence of how the funds were deposited.

NOTES ABOUT

Proving your identity to Centrelink

Before you can be paid, you must prove your identity to Centrelink

It is your responsibility as a Centrelink customer to prove your identity when claiming a pension, benefit, allowance or service that requires proof of identity. You must establish your identity by providing original documents (not photocopies) from Centrelink's approved list.

1. You must provide **one original document** (not a photocopy) that shows **proof of birth in Australia OR proof of arrival in Australia** if you were born overseas. Any of the first seven documents in the list below can be used to show proof of birth/arrival in Australia.

2. You must also provide **other original documents** (not photocopies) that add up to at least **100 points**. You can use any of the documents in the following list towards your 100 points except the document that you use to show proof of birth/arrival in Australia.

If there is any difficulty in obtaining or providing these documents you should contact Centrelink as soon as possible.

If you have previously met the proof of identity requirements, and you are reclaiming within 52 weeks of ceasing a previous Centrelink payment, you may only need to provide a reduced number of proof of identity documents. If you think this applies to you, contact Centrelink as soon as possible.

Any documents that are provided for proof of identity may also be used to assist Centrelink in verifying your age, residency, income or assets if required.

Document	Explanation/description	Points
Proof of birth (if born in Australia)		
Australian Birth Certificate	Original Australian birth certificate or birth extract in your name/former name.	70
Australian Passport (current)	Current Australian passport in your name/former name.	70
Proof of arrival in Australia (if born overseas)		
Citizenship Certificate	Australian citizenship certificate in your name/former name.	70
Current Australian Visa	Current Australian visa for entry into Australia as resident or tourist, showing your name/former name.	70
Document of Identity (DFAT)	Document of Identity issued in your name/former name by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to Australian citizens or a person who possesses the nationality of a Commonwealth country, for travel purposes.	70
Certificate of Evidence of Resident Status	Certificate of Evidence of Resident Status (Form 283) issued by the Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs, showing your name/former name.	70
Certificate of Identity (DIMIA)	Certificate of Identity issued by the Department of Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs to refugees and Non Australian citizens for entry to Australia.	70
Defence Discharge Papers	Australian Armed Services discharge papers, in your name/former name.	70
Shooter's or Firearm Licence	Current shooter's or firearm licence showing signature and/or photo and same name as claim.	70
Security Licence	Current security protection industry or crowd control licence, showing signature and/or photo and same name as claim.	70
Bank Card	Current credit card/ATM card with financial institution showing your signature.	40
Bank Statement or Passbook	Current passbook or recent statement for current credit card/ATM card or cheque account at financial institution showing your name and same address as claim. Not ATM receipt.	40
Child's Birth Certificate	Australian birth certificate for a child showing your name as parent/guardian, NOT as a sibling.	40

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Document	Explanation/description	Points
Driver's Licence - Motor Vehicle	Current state or territory issued driver's licence, learner's permit or provisional licence showing signature and/or photo and same name and same address as claim.	40
Australian Divorce Papers	Australian divorce papers in your name/former name.	40
Educational Certificate	School/educational certificate in your name/former name (school/TAFE/university).	40
Australian Marriage Certificate	Australian marriage certificate issued and certified by a state or territory government agency. Not church issued.	40
Mortgage Paper	Legally drawn mortgage paper for an Australian residence in your name/former name.	40
Name Change	Legal change of name certificate or deed poll certificate.	40
Overseas Passport	Current overseas passport with valid entry stamp or visa.	40
Registration Certificate from a Professional Board	Registration certificate from a national or state/territory professional registration board, e.g. doctors, nurses, dentists, physiotherapists, accountants.	40
Trade Certificate	Current Australian trade certificate in your name/former name.	40
Veterans' Affairs Gold Card	Current Department of Veterans' Affairs Gold Card issued in your name.	40
Reference from ATSI Organisation	Reference from an Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander organisation showing referee's full details and length of time they have known you. To be verified with the organisation.	20
Educational Report or Reference	School/education reports or references, including enrolment confirmations, in your name/former name. To be verified with organisation (school/TAFE/university).	20
Student ID Card	Current student ID card issued in your name with signature and/or photo (school/TAFE/university).	20
PAYG Payment Summary (Group Certificate)	Recent PAYG payment summary or group certificate, not more than 2 years old, with tax file number. To be verified with employer.	20
Insurance Renewal	Recent insurance renewal for house, contents, car, boat, crop insurance in your name and showing same address as claim.	20
Tenancy Agreement or Lease	Recent formal tenancy agreement or lease in your name and showing same address as claim.	20
Medicare Card	A Medicare card showing your name.	20
Motor Vehicle Registration	Current motor vehicle registration showing your name and same address on claim and proof of payment.	20
Other Overseas Documents	Any other overseas documentation or lapsed overseas passport with entry visa.	20
Other Licence	Any other current Commonwealth, state or territory licence for coxswain, boat, heavy vehicle, aircraft etc. Must have your photo and/or signature. Not recreational fishing or boating licences.	20
Proof of Age Card	Current proof of age card issued by a government agency in your name with photo and/or signature.	20
Rates Notice	Recent rates notice in your name and showing same address as claim and proof of payment.	20
Utility Account	Recent utility account e.g. gas, water, electricity or phone in your name and showing same address as claim and proof of payment.	20
Share Certificate	Share certificate issued in your name.	10
Electoral Enrolment	Proof of electoral enrolment card issued in your name and same address as claim.	10
Other Financial Documents	Other financial documents such as superannuation statements, life insurance, term deposits issued in your name, not more than 12 months old. Not hire purchase or lease agreement.	10
Health Insurance Card	Current health insurance card showing your name.	10
Motoring Association Card Membership	Current membership card or documents issued in your name: NRMA, RACQ, RACV, RAA, RACT, RAC(WA), AANT.	10
Taxation Notice of Assessment	Recent taxation notice of assessment in your name less than 2 years old.	10
Employment Records	Termination notice, separation certificate, report or reference from employer in your name. To be verified with employer.	10

Income Support Payment

Before you can be paid, you must also show Centrelink

- details of all your (and your partner's) bank, building society and credit union accounts, and any other money you have invested
- documents that support your estimate of income, e.g. bank statements, previous taxation returns or tax assessment notices, profit and loss statement.
- documents that support your estimate of the value of *non*-farm assets.

Try to bring these things with you when you claim but if you can't, lodge your claim and provide them later.

Further information or assistance

If you want an interpreter to help you fill in this form do not answer any questions yet. Bring this form to Centrelink as soon as you can.

For further information contact:

Centrelink's Drought Assistance line on 132 316 from anywhere in Australia for the cost of a local call. Calls to 13 numbers cost 25 cents from anywhere within Australia. Calls to 1800 numbers are free of charge. Calls from public pay phones or mobile phones will be charged at a higher rate.

Your best time to ring for fast access is between 8:00am and 9:30am any work day.

For more information on other Commonwealth Government assistance, please call the Commonwealth Regional Information Service on 1800 026 222.

Other languages

Please use a blue or black pen

Do you require an interpreter when dealing with Centrelink?

No
 Yes

Which language

Information in other languages

English

For more information in languages other than English call Centrelink on 13 1202. Calls to 13 numbers cost 25 cents from anywhere within Australia. Calls from public pay phones or mobile phones will be charged at a higher rate.

Arabic

للحصول على المزيد من المعلومات باللغة العربية اتصل بمكتب Centrelink على الرقم 13 1202. المكالمات التليفونية للأرقام التي تبدأ بالعدد 13 تُعرض عليها رسم 25 سنتاً من أي مكان داخل أستراليا. المكالمات التي يتم إجراؤها من التليفونات العمومية أو من التليفونات المحمولة (الموبايل) تُعرض عليها رسوم أعلى.

Bosnian

Za više informacija na bosanskom jeziku nazovite Centrelink na broj 13 1202. Pozivi na brojeve koji počinju sa 13 se naplaćuju po cijeni od 25 centi iz cijele Australije. Pozivi sa javnih govornica ili mobitela će se naplatiti po višoj cijeni.

Chinese

欲用中文瞭解詳情，請電Centrelink，號碼13 1202。在澳大利亞任何地方撥打以13起頭的號碼，費用均為25分。用公共付費電話或手機撥打，電話費較高。

Croatian

Za više informacija na hrvatskom jeziku nazovite Centrelink na 13 1202. Pozivi na brojeve koji počinju sa 13, stoje 25 centi bez obzira odakle iz Australije nazovete. Pozivi iz javne govornice ili s mobitela naplaćuju se po višoj tarifi.

Farsi

برای گرفتن اطلاعات بیشتر به زبان فارسی به Centrelink، شماره 13 1202 تلفن بزنید. هزینه تلفن به شماره های که با 13 شروع میشوند از هر کجای استرالیا 25 سنت است. نرخ تلفن از تلفنهای عمومی و تلفنهای همراه بالاتر است.

Filipino

Para sa karagdagang impormasyon sa wikang Filipino, tumawag sa Centrelink sa 13 1202. Ang mga tawag sa numero 13 ay sa halagang 25 sentimo mula sa alin mang panig ng Australya. Mataas ang bayad sa mga tawag sa pampublikong telepono o teleponong mobil.

Greek

Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες στα Ελληνικά τηλεφωνείτε στο Centrelink στον αριθμό 13 1202. Τα τηλεφωνήματα σε αριθμούς που αρχίζουν με 13 κοστίζουν 25 σεντς από οπουδήποτε εντός της Αυστραλίας. Τα τηλεφωνήματα από δημόσια τηλέφωνα με χρέωση ή κινητά τηλέφωνα θα χρεώνονται σε μεγαλύτερη τιμή.

Italian

Per maggiori informazioni in italiano, chiamare il Centrelink al numero 13 1202. Le chiamate ai numeri con il prefisso 13 costano 25 centesimi da qualsiasi località dell'Australia. Le chiamate dai telefoni pubblici o dai cellulari sono soggette a tariffe superiori.

Khmer

ដើម្បីទទួលបានព័ត៌មានថែមទៀតជាភាសាខ្មែរ សូមទូរស័ព្ទទៅកាន់ Centrelink តាមទូរស័ព្ទលេខ 13 1202 ។ ថ្លៃទូរស័ព្ទពីទីកន្លែងទាំងអស់ក្នុងអូស្ត្រាលី ទៅលេខដែលផ្ដើមដោយលេខ 13 គឺ 25 សេន។ ការទូរស័ព្ទពីទីកន្លែងទូរស័ព្ទសាធារណៈដែលត្រូវបង់ប្រាក់ឬពីទូរស័ព្ទលក់ គឺត្រូវបង់ថ្លៃច្រើនជាងនេះ។

Korean

한국어로 상세한 정보가 필요한 경우 전화 13 1202로 Centrelink에 연락하십시오. 13번으로 시작하는 전화는 호주내에서는 어디에서나 요금이 25 센트이나, 공중 전화나 휴대 전화를 이용할 경우는 더 비싼 요금이 부과될 것입니다.

Macedonian

Za повеќе информации на македонски јазик, телефонирајте во Centrelink на 13 1202. Сите повици на телефонските броеви што почнуваат со '13' чинат по 25 центи на повик од било каде во Австралија. Повиците од јавните телефонски говорници или од мобилни телефони се наплаќаат по висока цена.

Maltese

Għal aktar taġġir bil-Malti ċempel lil Centrelink fuq 13 1202. Telefonati li jibdew bin-numri 13 jiswa 25 ċenteżmi minn kwalunkwe post ġewwa l-Awstralja. Telefonati minn telefonijiet pubbliċi jew telefonijiet ċellulari jiġu ċġarġjati rata oġhla.

Polish

Po dodatkowe informacje w języku polskim zadzwoń do Centrelink pod 13 1202. Koszt rozmów telefonicznych z numerami zaczynającymi się od 13 wynosi 25 centów z każdego miejsca w Australii. Koszt rozmów telefonicznych z budek telefonicznych oraz z telefonów komórkowych naliczany będzie według wyższej taryfy.

Portuguese

Para mais informação em Português ligue para o Centrelink no 13 1202. Chamadas para números que iniciam com 13 custam 25 cêntimos de qualquer parte da Austrália. Aplicam-se taxas mais elevadas às chamadas de telefones públicos ou telemóveis.

Russian

За дополнительной информацией на русском языке звоните в Centrelink по телефону 13 1202. Звонки по номерам, которые начинаются с 13, стоят 25 центов из любой точки Австралии. Звонки с уличных и мобильных телефонов оплачиваются по более высокому тарифам.

Serbian

Za više informacija na srpskom nazovite Centrelink na 13 1202. Pozivi na brojeve telefona koji počinju sa 13 koštaju 25 centi iz bilo kog mesta u Australiji. Pozivi sa javnih ili mobilnih telefona ће бити наплаћени по већој тарифи.

Spanish

Para obtener mayor información en español, llame a Centrelink al 13 1202. Las llamadas a los números con característica 13 cuestan 25 centavos desde cualquier lugar de Australia. Las llamadas desde teléfonos públicos o celulares se cobrarán a una tarifa más alta.

Turkish

Türkçe olarak daha fazla bilgi için Centrelink'i 13 1202 numaralı telefondan arayınız. 13'le başlayan numaralara açılan telefonların ücreti, Avustralya'nın her yerinden 25 senttir. Kamuya ait ücretli telefonlardan veya cep telefonlarından yapılan görüşmelere daha yüksek bir tarife uygulanmaktadır.

Vietnamese

Muốn biết thêm chi tiết bằng tiếng Việt, xin gọi Centrelink số 13 1202. Dù ở bất cứ nơi nào trong nước Úc, gọi điện thoại bắt đầu bằng số 13, chi phải trả 25 xu. Gọi từ điện thoại trả tiền công cộng hoặc điện thoại di động thì phải trả nhiều tiền hơn.

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PART A

About you

1 What are your details?

Your family name

First given name

Second given name

Your title Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other

Sex Male Female

Date of birth / /

Your home address

 Postcode

Your postal address (only if it is different from your home address)
 Postcode

Your home telephone number ()

Is this a silent number? No Yes

Can we contact you on this number? No Yes

Country of birth

If you were not born in Australia, are you allowed to stay in Australia indefinitely? No Yes

If **Yes**, please provide proof to your nearest Centrelink office when you lodge your claim.

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Centrelink date of receipt

CRN

Partner CRN

CSO Action

States OLE check in:
 NSW WA
 Vic SA
 Qld/NT Tas

Index check completed? No Yes

Assets below asset value limit? No Yes

I/S payable / /

OR

I/S not payable

Assessed

Date / / By (Initials)

Logon ID

Determined

Date / / By (Initials)

Logon ID

Further Action:

PART B

Your partner's details

2 Your marital status

Single ▶ Go to **Question 4**

Married ▶ Date of marriage

Living de facto ▶ Date commenced living de facto

3 What are your partner's details?

Your partner is your wife, husband or de facto.

Partner's family name

First given name

Second given name

Partner's title Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other

Sex Male Female

Date of birth

PART C

Other income support payments

4 Do you or your partner get Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance, Austudy or another social security income support payment?

You

No

Yes ▶ What type of payment is received?

Your Customer Reference Number (if known)?

Your partner

No

Yes ▶ What type of payment is received?

Your partner's Customer Reference Number (if known)?

5 Do you or your partner get any other Commonwealth income support payments? (e.g. Farm Help)

No

Yes ▶ What type of payment is received?

No

Yes ▶ What type of payment is received?

PART D**About your farm**

6 The address of your farm enterprise.

Postcode

7 The name of the shire or district in which your farm enterprise is located.

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8 What is the full legal description of your property?

Please write exactly as shown in your Title documents e.g. Lot no., Section, Block, Parish, Certificate of Title.

9 Please draw a map of the location of your farm enterprise.

Note: This will assist to identify if your farm is in an eligible area.

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10 Briefly describe your farm:

- kinds of stock or crops raised,
- plant and machinery,
- number of households supported,
- ownership of title or lease,
- area of land, and
- any other relevant details.

11 Do you wish to claim Interim Income Support payments?

No Go to **Part F**
 Yes ► Go to **Part E**

PART E

Income

Income includes:

- most payments you get, including income from your farm,
- the interest from bank, building society and credit union accounts, and
- the interest you get from investments.


Income DOES NOT include:

- proceeds from sale of livestock forced by the drought if you have the funds deposited in a Farm Management Deposit or a fixed deposit for a term of at least 3 months.

12 What is your estimate of the likely income from your farm for this financial year?

Estimate for this financial year

Important

 You should provide any documents that support your estimate (e.g. bank statements, previous taxation returns or tax assessment notices, profit and loss statements) if these are available.


13 Have you been forced to sell livestock during this financial year as a result of the drought?

No Go to **Question 14**
 Yes If **Yes**, what date did the sale occur?

Are the proceeds from the forced sale deposited in a Farm Management Deposit or a deposit with a term of at least 3 months with a bank, building society, credit union or other financial institution?

No Go to **Question 14**
 Yes If **Yes**, what amount from the forced sale is deposited?

Important

 If you have been forced to sell livestock and you have deposited the funds in a Farm Management Deposit or for a fixed 3 month term you will need to provide disposal documentation and evidence of how the funds were deposited.

14 Do you or your partner earn any money from off-farm employment?

No
 Yes Complete the following details.

	You	Your partner
1	Name of employer	<input type="text"/>
	Address of employer	<input type="text"/>
		<input type="text"/>
		<input type="text"/>
	Total weekly wage before tax	\$ <input type="text"/>
Date work started	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>
2	Name of employer	<input type="text"/>
	Address of employer	<input type="text"/>
		<input type="text"/>
		<input type="text"/>
	Total weekly wage before tax	\$ <input type="text"/>
Date work started	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>	<input type="text" value="/ /"/>

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PART E (continued) • Income

15 Do you or your partner get money from any other source? No
 Yes Complete the following details.
 Other source than that which you have already included on this form

	You	Your partner
1	Source of payment <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Amount \$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
	How often? (e.g. weekly/monthly) <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2	Source of payment <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Amount \$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
	How often? (e.g. weekly/monthly) <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3	Source of payment <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
	Amount \$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
	How often? (e.g. weekly/monthly) <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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PART F Assets

Assets include:

- amounts held in banks, building societies or credit unions and investments with other financial institutions,
- real estate apart from your home and the land you are using for farming, and
- the value of businesses including goodwill (this does not include the farm).

Assets do NOT include:

- land used for the purpose of the farm enterprise,
- any farm plant and machinery, farm livestock or other asset essential for effective running of the farm,
- your life insurance policy, and
- the value of your superannuation scheme.

16 Please give details of all your OTHER bank, building society and credit union accounts including term deposits. Include:
 • joint accounts, and
 • accounts you hold under any other name.

1	Name of institution <input type="text"/>	BSB <input type="text"/>	Account number <input type="text"/>
	Account held in the name(s) of <input type="text"/>	Balance of account \$ <input type="text"/>	Interest rate <input type="text"/> %
2	Name of institution <input type="text"/>	BSB <input type="text"/>	Account number <input type="text"/>
	Account held in the name(s) of <input type="text"/>	Balance of account \$ <input type="text"/>	Interest rate <input type="text"/> %
3	Name of institution <input type="text"/>	BSB <input type="text"/>	Account number <input type="text"/>
	Account held in the name(s) of <input type="text"/>	Balance of account \$ <input type="text"/>	Interest rate <input type="text"/> %

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PART F (continued) • Assets

Gifts

You have the right to use your assets for any purpose you want. You may sell or reduce your assets and spend money on things such as the purchase of consumer goods, home maintenance, or improvements, or pay for trips or holidays.

If you have given away assets or sold them for less than their value the amount of your income support could be affected.

- 17 In the last five years have you (and/or your partner) given away any cash, assets, property or income?** No Yes If Yes, please give details below

This includes selling something for less than its value

What you gave away or sold for less than its value (e.g. money, car, second home, land, farm)

	Date given or sold	What it was worth	What you got for it	Gift made by	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> You	<input type="checkbox"/> Your partner
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If you need additional space, please attach a separate sheet. Please sign all attached sheets.

- 18 Do you or your partner have any assets?** No Yes Complete the following details.
excluding farm assets

	You	Your partner
1 Description of assets	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Net value	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
2 Description of assets	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Net value	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
3 Description of assets	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Net value	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>
4 Description of assets	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Net value	\$ <input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

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PART G

Interest Rate Relief

19 Do you wish to claim the Interest Rate Relief?

No ► Go to **Part H**
 Yes

20 Have you recently borrowed new or additional funds from a bank or other commercial institution?

No ► You are not eligible for the Interest Rate Relief
 Yes

21 On what date did you apply for this new or additional borrowing?

 / /

22 How much did you borrow?

 \$

23 Where you received additional borrowings (on top of existing debt), please state the amount of this additional borrowing (i.e. the difference between the balance before the additional borrowing and after)?

 \$

24 What was the interest rate of the loan(s)?

Interest rate
 %

25 Have you applied for any loans under the Natural Disaster Relief Arrangements (NDRA)?

Note: please attach your latest loan statement

No
 Yes ► What is the interest rate of the loan(s)?
 Interest rate
 %

PART H

Payment details

26 How do you want your payment to be made?

Note: payment by cheque will take longer

By cheque ► Go to **Question 27**
 My account ► Complete the following details.

Name of bank, building society or credit union

If in a bank, what type of account?

savings cheque

Branch where you opened your account?

Branch number (if known)

Account number

Account held in the name(s) of:

What is the balance and interest rate of the account you want your Income Support paid into?

Balance of account \$

Interest Rate %

Please complete the Statement on page 13 ►

PART I**Statement**

27 If you are paid Income Support Payment at the married rate, do you authorise Centrelink to disclose any details about your claim or payments to your partner?

No
Yes

I understand that I can change this authority at any time

28 Statements**I declare that:**

- I am a farmer;
- my farm enterprise is located in an area which is under current consideration for Exceptional Circumstance Declaration as advised by the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry;
- the information I have provided is true and correct.

I understand that:

- deliberately giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.
- Centrelink can make any enquiries necessary to work out how much I should be paid.
- personal information is protected by law and can be given to someone else only in very special circumstances where Commonwealth legislation requires or where I give permission.
- payment of the Interest Rate Relief will be by direct credit to the relevant account.

Your signature

Date

 / /
Your partner's signature

Date

 / /



Income Support for drought affected farmers and Interest Rate Relief Checklist

Use this Checklist to remind you which documents you need to attach. If you are unsure, check the questions to see if you should attach the documents.

You must provide **original** documents, not photocopies.

Income Support for drought affected farmers:

- Claim form (SU553) fully completed;
- Proof of birth (birth certificate or passport);
- Proof of identity, 100 points (does not include proof of birth);
- Latest income tax returns (husband and wife);
- Latest farm returns (balance sheet and profit and loss);
- Verification of off farm assets (e.g. bank statements and share certificates);
- If you have been forced to sell livestock, documentation for sale proceeds and show where money was deposited (this money may come off your assets); and
- If born overseas, (citizenship documents or visa to show you are permitted to stay in Australia).

Interest Rate Relief:

- Claim form fully completed;
- Proof of identity;
- Loan certificate(s) completed by a financial institution; and
- The most recent bank statement of the loan account.

