

Fact Sheet

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From 1 September 2022, Council will charge a fee to record change in ownership of land in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009*.

The fee will be included as a separate fee on the first rate notice issued to the new owner/s after the Queensland Government Department of Resources advises Council of the change of ownership.

How much is the fee?

From 1 July 2023, the fee is \$83.25. The amount of the fee is reviewed each year on 1 July.

Compounding interest is charged daily on rates and charges which remain unpaid 7 days after the rate notice due date.

When is the fee applied?

This fee is charged with each change of ownership processed per property unless the relevant exemption criteria is met.

Exemptions

Exemptions for the fee are applied in the following circumstances. It is not necessary to apply for the exemption

Exemptions
Transfer because of legal change of name.
Transfer to or inclusion of a spouse/de facto/partner is a result of amalgamation or separation of assets on the principal place of residence.
Transfer made is a result of a registration of transmission by death.
Transfer is made where no money is exchanged.
Transfer is the result of the decision of a Court or Tribunal in Australia.
The new owner is Logan City Council, or The Crown, unless the Crown is represented by a Government Owned Corporation. E.g Energex
At least one of the new owners is a pensioner at time of transfer and has applied for pensioner concessions for the rates on the property within the current billing period of the fee.
One of the current owners is still registered as an owner after the transfer is made.
Transfers to organisations eligible for General Rates Concession or General Rates Exemption in accordance with the relevant policy.

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