Change in Category of Land (For rating purposes)

About this form
You may use this form to request a change in the categorisation of land for rating purposes.

How to complete this form
1: Ensure that all fields have been filled out correctly.
2: Please note that fields on this form marked with an * are mandatory and must be completed before submitting the application.
3: Once completed you can submit this form by email, mail or in person. Please refer to the Lodgement details section for further information.

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<th>Part 1: Applicant Details</th>
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<td>Title *</td>
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<td>Business/Company Name (if Business/Company is owner of Land)</td>
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<td>Relationship to Business/Company the owner of Land (ie Director, authorised representative etc)</td>
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<td>Property Address *</td>
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<td>Lot &amp; DP Number</td>
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<td>Rates Assessment number (as shown on Rate Notice)</td>
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<th>Part 2: Details of Land</th>
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<td>This application is made under: □ Section 525(1)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993. □ Section 525(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1993.</td>
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<td>Current category or sub-category of the Land (the subject of application)</td>
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<td>Proposed category or sub-category of the Land (the subject of application)</td>
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<td>Details of present or recent uses made of the Land:</td>
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Reasons why the proposed category or sub-category is more appropriate:

Part 3: Application Conditions

Please be advised that any application for change of category is subject to Section 525 and 523 of the Local Government Act 1993 as follows:

Section 525
Application for change of category

(1) A rateable person (or the person’s agent) may apply to Council at any time:

(a) for a review of a declaration that the person’s rateable land is within a particular category for the purposes of Section 514; or

(b) to have the person’s rateable land declared to be within a particular category for the purposes of that section.

(2) An application must be in the approved form, must include a description of the land concerned and must nominate the category the applicant considers the land should be within.

(3) The Council must declare the land to be within the category nominated in the application unless it has reasonable grounds for believing that the land is not in that category.

(4) If the Council has reasonable grounds for believing that the land is not within the nominated category, it may notify the applicant of any further information it requires in order to be satisfied that the land is within that category. After considering any such information, the Council must declare the category for the land.

(5) The Council must notify the applicant of its decision. The Council must include the reasons for its decision if it declares that the land is not within the category nominated in the application.

(6) If the Council has not notified the applicant of its decision within 40 days after the application is made to it, the Council is taken, at the end of the 40 day period, to have declared the land to be within its existing category.

Section 526
Appeal against declaration of category

(1) A rateable person who is dissatisfied with:

(a) the date on which a declaration is specified, under Section 521, to take effect; or

(b) a declaration of a Council under Section 525,

may appeal to the Land & Environment Court.

(2) An appeal must be made within 30 days after the declaration is made.

(3) The Court, on an appeal, may declare the date on which a declaration is to take effect or the category for the land, or both, as the case requires.
**Part 4: Applicant Declaration**

I declare that I am the Ratepayer or authorised representative for the Business/Company the subject of application, and the information I have provided is true and correct in every detail.

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<th>Applicant Name</th>
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**Part 5: Lodgement Details**

You can lodge the completed application by:

**EMAIL:**  
council@cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

**MAIL:**  
City of Sydney  
GPO Box 1591  
Sydney NSW 2001

**DX:** 1251

**IN PERSON:**  
Town Hall House - Level 2, 456 Kent Street, Sydney

*See our website for details of all customer service centres and opening hours:*


**WHAT NOW:** Once your application is received a Council Officer will respond within 10 working days if further information is required.

**TELEPHONE:** (02) 9265 9333  or visit our  
**WEBSITE:** www.cityofsydney.nsw.gov.au

**Part 6: Privacy & Personal Information Protection Notice**

**Purpose of Collection:** For change of category of Land for rateable purposes.

**Intended recipients:** Council staff and approved contractors of the City of Sydney Council.

**Supply:** Change in Category of Land application is voluntary however a completed application is required before the application can be assessed.

**Access/Correction:** Contact the City of Sydney Council Customer Service Team to access or correct this information.

**Storage:** City of Sydney Council, 456 Kent Street Sydney NSW 2000.