

# First Home Owners Grant Application Guide.

Northern Territory.



## Filling out forms can be tricky, so we've put together a guide to help you complete your First Home Owners Grant (FHOG) application.

The FHOG application consists of three parts:

1

#### Lodgement guide (pages 1-10)

This contains important information about the grant, your obligations after receiving it and a glossary of terms and meanings.

2

#### Application form (pages 11-17)

You'll be required to fill out this section. We've provided some Q&As to help you.

**Supporting document checklist (pages 18-22)** This is a comprehensive list of the supporting documents needed for your application.

# Part 1. Lodgement guide.

## Section 1 - Eligibility criteria.

This section determines whether you meet the eligibility requirements to apply for the grant. You'll be asked questions such as your Australian citizenship or residency status, if you've owned residential properties in the past, or if you've entered into a contract to purchase or build a new home.

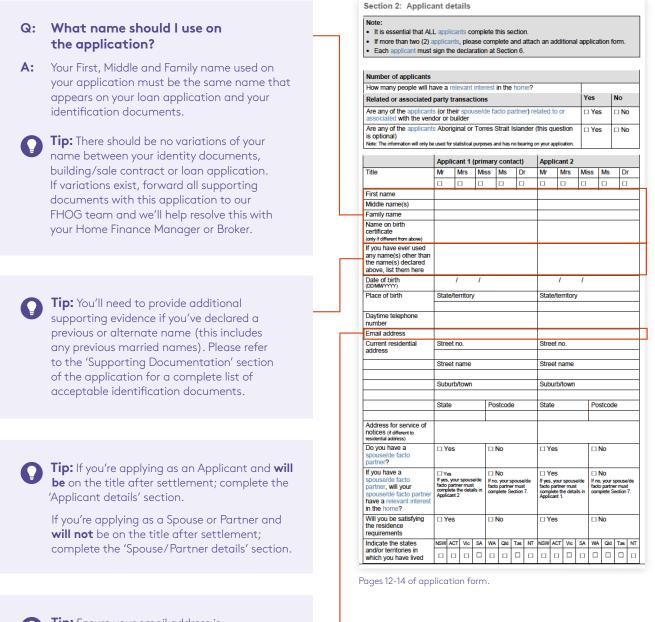
Section 1: Eligibility criteria				
<ul> <li>Eligibility is determined at the commencement date of the eligible transaction stated.</li> </ul>	on, unless	s otherwise	Q:	What does 'relevant
All applicants and their spouse/de facto partner must be considered when a eligibility questions.	answering	the		interest' mean?
<ul> <li>Eligibility criteria 4(b) and 6 may in special circumstances be varied by the further information, refer to Section 4 of the Guide.</li> </ul>	Commiss	sioner. For	<b>A</b> :	'Relevant interest' refers to t
Eligibility checklist Indicate with a 🛛	Yes	No		number of people who will be
<ol> <li>Is this the first time each applicant and/or their spouse/de facto partner will receive a grant under the <i>First Home Owner Grant Act</i> in any state or territory of Australia?</li> </ol>	Yes	□ No		owners of the property.
<ol> <li>Is each applicant and their spouse/de facto partner a person who has never owned or held a relevant interest in a residential property, either jointly, separately or with some other person, before 1 July 2000 in any state or territory of Australia?</li> </ol>	□ Yes	□ No		
Note: Applicants are not eligible for a grant if they or their spouse/de facto partner have owned or held a relevant interest in residential property prior to 1 July 2000, even if they have never occupied the property. A residential property includes any property on which there is a residence.			0	<b>Tip:</b> Correction fluid, or liquid
Eligibility checklist Indicate with a 🛛	Yes	No		cannot be used on this form
<ol> <li>Is each applicant and their spouse/de facto partner a person who has never occupied a residential property that they acquired, either jointly, separately or with some other person, a relevant interest in, on or after 1 July 2000 in any state or territory of Australia?</li> </ol>	Yes	□ No		an amendment, simply strike error, add the correct inform
<ol> <li>Is: a. each applicant a natural person (ie not a company or trustee) who will on the completion date of the eligible transaction, hold all their interest in the property in their own right and not as a trustee     </li> </ol>	🗆 Yes	🗆 No		and have this initialled by all involved in the application.
b. and at least one applicant 18 years of age or more?	Yes	🗆 No		Ensure all questions are answ
5. Is at least one applicant a permanent resident or Australian citizen at the time of making the application?	Yes	□ No		and captured legibly.
6. Will at least one applicant be occupying the home as their principal place of residence for a continuous period of six months commencing within twelve months of the completion date of the eligible transaction?	Yes	□ No		
<ol> <li>Has each applicant on or after 1 July 2000, either:         <ul> <li>entered into a contract of sale for the purchase of a home in the Northern Territory</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	Yes	□ No		
b. or entered into a contract to build a home in the Northern Territory	Yes	□ No		
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# Part 2. Application form.

## Section 2 & 3 – Applicant and spouse/partner details.

In this section you'll be asked to provide details such as your name, date of birth, residential and postal address and indicate whether you have a spouse. If you have a spouse, you'll also need to provide their details.



**Tip:** Ensure your email address is legibly captured.

## Section 4-Property and transaction details.

Here you'll provide the property address details and the type of transaction that applies to your new home application (e.g. purchasing a new home, a contract to build, etc.).

Section 4: Propert	y and trans	action o	leta	ils					
Address of property									
Lot number			Unit	/street number				1	
Street name			Sub	urb/town				]	
State	Northern Terri	tory	Pos	tcode				]	
Date when occupation a is expected to commence estimate)									
Title reference									
Volume (If the current title is unavailable, please enter a parent title number)				F	olio				
Transaction details								1	
What type of transaction does this application refer to?	Off the plan <sup>1</sup>	New hon	1e <sup>1</sup>	Owner builder	Cor buil		Established home <sup>2</sup>	1	
application refer to?								1	
1. You have entered into a contract of sale to purchase a new home or an off the plan home:									
o Is this the first sale of the home since its construction or substantial □ Yes □ No renovation?									
o Are you the first occupant(s) of the home since its construction or substantial renovation?								1	
o Are you purchasing a substantially renovated home?     □ Yes □ No								1	
2. If you have entered into a contract of sale to purchase an established Yes No home, is the home located within an urban area?							1		
Date of contract of sale or contract to build (if owner builder, date the / / / foundations were laid)							1		
Date of settlement (or if building, the completion date of the eligible transaction) Note: if lodging with an approved agent, please estimate.					/	1			
Purchase price or construction price (or cost of construction for owner suiders)									
Unencumbered value (	Only compulsory if the	e commencer	ment da	ate of the eligible tran	saction	is before 31 l	December 2014)		
Contract of sale for the p the home and land at the			uner	ncumbered valu	e of	\$			
Contract to build – the u home is to be built at the			e lano	d on which the		\$			
Owner builders – the un the home is ready for or		lue of the	hom	e and land wher	n	\$		1	

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#### Q: What if I don't know the exact address of my property or only have a lot number?

A: If the street number has not been allocated you can provide the lot number, street name, suburb and postcode of the property.

#### Q: What if the property has not yet been subdivided and I don't have the new title details?

A: The property needs a lot, plan and volume/ folio number before the FHOG can be submitted. This can be found on your contract of sale or building contract. Refer to your conveyancer or solicitor for confirmation.

# Section 5, 6 and 7 – Payment details, Declaration by applicant and by spouse/partner.

If you're applying through the Territory Revenue Office, the grant will be paid via electronic funds transfer into the account nominated in this section.

Finally, you'll be asked to declare and confirm that all the details you've provided are correct. If you have a spouse, they'll also need to declare and confirm the details listed in Section 3 are correct.

<b>Tip:</b> If you are applying with Bank of Melbourne, please do not complete this section as the grant will be paid through Bank of Melbourne.	nominated below.	FHOG will be paid by electronic i napproved agent, please do not ough the approved agent.			
Q: What do I need to consider before making this declaration?	Section 6: Declarat Declared at Applicant 1 Name	on the on the Applica	•	20	
A: Ensure all sections of the form are complete and the contract of sale or building contract is signed.	1. The spouse/de fac	Signatu Date tion by spouse/de facto cto partner details in Section 3, ii	o partner of ap		
Note the place and date of your declaration, print your full name and sign in the relevant section ('Applicant' or 'Spouse/de facto partner of applicant').	Act or a correspon other person, and 3. I have not owned of alone or together v knowledge, nor ha 4. I have not occupie	sly received and retained the gra dring Act in another state or terri to the best of my knowledge, no or held a relevant interest in a re with any other person, prior to 1 as my spouse/de facto partner. d as an owner, a residential pro ether with any other person, a re	rritory, either alone nor has my spouse/ residential property 1 July 2000 and to the roperty within Austra	or together with any de facto partner. within Australia, either he best of my alia which I acquired,	
	and to the best of 5. I authorise TRO to applicant's eligibili	my knowledge, nor has my spot o access and exchange informati ty for the FHOG with the approv alian Government agencies and	ouse/de facto partn ation about me that oved agent (where a	er. may affect the upplicable), other state,	
<b>Tip:</b> Ensure your signature matches the contract(s) and loan application. The declaration pages cannot be amended	<ol> <li>Although I am not an applicant for the FHOC I am aware of the reasons for me having to complete this section of the application. I acknowledge that I may be prosecuted for makin a failse or misleading statement on or in connection with this application for the FHOG.</li> <li>I solemnly and sincerely declare that this declaration, the information I have provided in th application and the supporting documents provided are true and correct, and I make this solemn declaration by virtue of the <i>Oaths, Afridavits and Declarations Act 2010 (NT)</i> knowing it is an offence to make a declaration that is failse in any material particular and for which a penalty of three (3) years imprisonment is provided.</li> </ol>				
or backdated.	Declared at		day of ise/de facto partne	20 r of applicant 2	
	Name Signature Date	Name Signatu Date			

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# Part 3. Supporting document checklist.

## Section 8-Supporting documentation checklist.

This checklist helps ensure you've attached copies of all the required supporting documents.

Evidence required		Tick if attached	Office use only
Proof of identity	Australian birth certificate issued by Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages and		
	photographic identification such as an Australian drivers licence or proof of age card issued by a state or territory authority or		
	a current passport.		
	nge of name is required if the name on any docume of the applicant (for example, marriage certificate, ch		
Australian citizenshi	p or permanent residency		
Evidence required		Tick if attached	Office use only
Citizenship or permanent residency	Citizenship certificate, or		
	permanent residency certificate, permanent residency visa or special category visa.		
different to the name of or deed poll).	inge of name is required if the name on any docume of the applicant (for example, marriage certificate, cha		
Evidence required		attached	use only
Contract of sale to purchase a home	<ol> <li>The contract of sale for purchase of the home dated and signed by all parties.</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>If the contract is for the purchase of a new home you will also need to provide a completed form <u>F-HI-012</u> for individual vendors or <u>F-HI- 013</u> for company vendors (original required).</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>If a terms contract, evidence to show that purchase instalments excluding the deposit of an amount equal to or greater than the FHOG have been paid.</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>If the parties to the transaction are related or associated, documentary evidence to show that consideration of an amount equal to or greater than the FHOG has been paid.</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>If the parties to the transaction are related or associated, supply evidence of value – this can be in the form of the Notice of Assessment issued by TRO.</li> </ol>		
	Note: Item 5 only applies to eligible transactions between 1 January 2010 and 12 May 2014 for new homes, and between 1 January 2010 and 31 December 2014 for established homes.		
Contract to build	1. The contract to build dated and signed by all		
a home	<ol> <li>parties to the contract.</li> <li>Documentary evidence of progress payments made (either an invoice or receipts from the builder) but not the deposit totaling an amount equal to or greater than the FHOG.</li> </ol>		
	<ol> <li>Evidence of the unencumbered value of land at the date the contract to build was made:</li> </ol>		
	<ul> <li>If the land was purchased from persons who are not related or associated to the applicants and the purchase was completed within 6 months of the date of the contract to build, a copy of that contract of sale or transfer of land document.</li> </ul>		
	If the land was acquired from persons who are related or associated to the applicants and the purchase was completed within 6 months of the date of the contract to build, the value on which stamp duty was assessed as shown in a copy of the Notice of Assessment (NOA) issued by TRO (if a fractional interest was purchased, the value shown on the NOA is to be		

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# Q: If purchasing a new home, what additional evidence do I need to provide?

A: You'll need to provide a statutory declaration from the vendor, advising that the property is a newly-built home and has **not** previously been lived in. This only applies if you're purchasing a new home.

> A link to the statutory declaration is required to be filled on page 19 of the FHOG form, for both individual and company vendors.

Please refer to the 'Supporting Evidence/ Document' section of the application for more detail on the above.

# Q: What should I consider when providing my building contract or contract of sale?

A: Contracts must be signed and dated by all parties e.g. all buyers and vendors (builder or developer). The date of the contract must be prior to the date of the FHOG application. Any variation to the original contract must be included, signed and dated by all parties, as above.

**Tip:** Only send copies and not the original ID documents. A driver's licence is not an acceptable form of ID.



## You've got questions? We've got time to talk.

Lenders – **Refer to OBI.** 

O Brokers - Talk to your BDM.

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