

Rural Energy Grant Scheme

Guidance Notes



Aim.

This scheme provides financial assistance to businesses for the purchase of a 24-hour power system that incorporates a renewable energy source.

Eligibility.

In order to qualify for assistance under this scheme the business should have been continuously trading in Camp for a period of 12 months prior to the application.. Accounts will need to be shown to prove a business is operating and is viable.

For the purposes of eligibility for rural energy grant scheme 'Camp' will be defined as: businesses located more than 10km from Christ Church Cathedral, Stanley and farm businesses within the 10km boundary (which are defined as farm businesses where farm activities are the primary activity, with a business turnover exceeding £10,000 or stock numbers exceeding 2000 Dry Sheep Equivalents as verified by the annual agricultural statistics collected by the Agricultural Department). It will exclude business located within the boundaries of Mount Pleasant Complex and Fox Bay village (the boundaries are defined as being connected to their electricity grid or within the reach of the grid network).

The business should remain in the property that is connected to the 24-hour power system, as their main business address, for a period of 5 years from the date of the award of the grant.

All buildings that are to be connected to the system electrically must meet the current Electrical Regulations (17th edition), a test certificate must be provided for records. Assistance is available for domestic properties if required. Before any application is submitted the applicant must contact Falkland Islands Government (FIG) Building Advisor to enquire if the work needs a building permit. If a building permit is not required applicants are advised to seek the advice of FIG's Building Advisor for best practices guidance to the proposed work.

A business that has previously benefited from power generation equipment supplied under the Rural Energy Grant Scheme is not eligible for a reapplication.

The scheme is to provide assistance with initial capital costs only and cannot be used to purchase spare parts, duplicate or replacement equipment.

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Grant Assistance.

A grant of up to 50% is available to covering the cost of a battery bank, an inverter and there installation (including testing)

A grant of up to 70% is available for covering the cost of the renewable energy technology (maximum output per year 5,000kWh per business) and its installation.

Installation includes electrical works, the heavy-duty power cable to connect the renewable energy technology to the battery, transport to the site and the cost of cement for mounting foundations. It does not include aggregate or the cost of mixing concrete or preparing the ground.

All applicants must comply with manufacturer's operating instructions and best practices guides. It is recommended the full system is insured and maintained as specified by the supplier for the life of the equipment but it is a mandatory required for the first 5 years after installation.

All equipment must be approved by the Mircogeneration Certification Scheme (www.microgenerationcertification.org). FIDC and FIG is not liable for any damage caused to a property by the installation of any equipment under this scheme.

Enquiries.

If you have any queries or require any more information about this grant scheme please contact the Development Manager.

Telephone: +500 27211

Email: development.manager@fidc.co.fk



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Application Form



1. Contact Details

Applicant Name

Address

Phone Number

Email

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2. Please provide a brief description of your Business and its current and future electricity needs, (Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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3. Please provide details of the proposed project and a list of materials to be purchased. (Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

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4. Please provide the total cost for the required equipment and installation.
(Please attach any quote(s) when submitting the application)

Battery Bank and Inverter	Renewable Energy Source
Installation	

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5. Checklist.

- Completed sections 1 – 4 of the application form.
- Submit a copy of the most recent business accounts
- Attached any supporting quote(s), any separate sheets completed and any other relevant documents to the application.
- Signed and dated the declaration below.

6. Declaration.

I understand and agree to the terms of the Rural Energy Grant Scheme as set out under the guidance notes attached to the front of this application form. Furthermore, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all information contained in this application form and in any accompanying documents is true, complete, and correct.

Name _____ Role within Business _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Thank you for completing the Rural Energy Grant Scheme application form. Please return your completed application form, along with any supporting document(s) and/or quote(s),

Email: development.manager@fidc.co.fk

Post: Falkland Islands Development Corporation, Shackleton House, West Hillside, Stanley, Falkland Islands.

Once your application has been received and processed, we will duly contact you regarding the status of your application.