

# **The Farmland School Tax Rebate**

## **What is the Farmland School Tax Rebate?**

Owners of farmland will receive a rebate equal to 50% of the school division taxes paid on their farmland.

## **How does the rebate work?**

Every property currently assessed as farmland in Manitoba will be eligible for a one half reduction. Rebates apply only to farmland and do not include taxes paid on farm residences and buildings. The farmland owner must submit an application with proof that the property taxes have been paid in full. The rebate will be calculated and forwarded to the farmland owner.

## **How do I know if my farmland property qualifies for the rebate?**

Locate the assessment area on your property tax bill. You may qualify for the rebate if there is a value indicted in the Land column with a Class Farm.

If you own farmland within the City of Winnipeg, please contact the Program Coordinator at 204-726-7068 to determine if you are eligible for a rebate.

## **Am I eligible for the rebate if I rent agricultural Crown land from the Manitoba government?**

Yes. Please contact the Agricultural Crown Lands office in Portage La Prairie at 1-866-210-9589 for more information.

## **How can I determine how much my rebate will be?**

The rebate will be calculated for you when your application is processed, based upon the following formula:

$$\text{Assessed land value, class farm} \times \text{portion \%} \times \text{School division mill rate divided by 1,000} \times 50\% = \text{Rebate Amount}$$

## **How do I apply for a rebate?**

Application forms are available through your local Manitoba Agricultural, Food and Rural Initiatives office, Manitoba Crop Insurance Corporation office, or online at [www.gov.mb.ca/farmland](http://www.gov.mb.ca/farmland)

See example

## **What information is required on the application?**

Basic information such as the registered owner's name and mailing address, and verification information such as a list of properties you own that are classified as farmland, as well as proof of payment of your property and school taxes.

## **How long will it take to receive the rebate?**

Applications should be processed and payment forwarded in approximately eight weeks.

## **Is this a one-time rebate?**

No, the rebate is a permanent reduction in your farmland school taxes.

## **Can I still apply for my rebate from last year?**

Yes, you may apply for a rebate up to three years after the taxes were due.