

# Discretionary rate relief scheme for Public House



**You may be aware the government has asked Councils to introduce a Discretionary Rate Relief Scheme for Public Houses for 2017/18 and 2018/2019. The amount of relief will be dependent on the rates bill but will be up to £1,000 for the year.**

The scheme will be for Public Houses with a rateable value below £100,000 where it is independently owned or managed and not part of a chain. Where a pub is part of a chain, relief will still be available for each eligible property subject to meeting State Aid requirements. (State Aid rules allow you to receive a maximum of 200,000 euro's over a 3 year period, consisting of the current financial year and two previous financial years. If your pub is part of a chain, or if you receive any other State Aid, then you must confirm below that by giving you this further relief, the aid you receive would not exceed the maximum limit).

If you believe you are eligible for the relief please complete the details below and a revised bill will be sent to you if appropriate. If you have any questions about this scheme, please do not hesitate to contact the Business Rates Team.

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## Declaration

I wish to apply for discretionary pub relief and can confirm that I will not exceed the State Aid rules by receiving this relief. I also confirm that the premises are open to the general public and are free to enter (i.e. no entry fee is required) and are used for the purpose of buying drinks at a bar without the need to purchase food.

Business Rates account reference:

Company name/sole trader name:

Address of Property for which relief is being claimed:

Telephone Number:

E-mail Address:

Signed:

Capacity in which signed (*e.g. owner, manager*):

Date:

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## Warning

**IT IS A CRIMINAL OFFENCE FOR A RATEPAYER TO GIVE FALSE INFORMATION WHEN MAKING AN APPLICATION FOR BUSINESS RATE RELIEF.**

Your completed form should be sent to: **revbens@eastleigh.gov.uk** (please include your Business Rates account reference number in the subject field) or via post to the following address:

**Business Rates Team, Eastleigh Borough Council, Eastleigh House, Upper Market Street, Eastleigh SO50 9YN.**

**PLEASE RETAIN A COPY OF THE COMPLETED FORM FOR YOUR RECORDS AS YOU MAY NEED TO REFER TO IT AT A LATER STAGE**