



Rates information 2025/2026

Burke Shire Council General Rating Categories

STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 88 OF THE *LOCAL GOVERNMENT REGULATION 2012*, THE CATEGORY OF YOUR PROPERTY IS LISTED ON THE FRONT OF YOUR RATE NOTICE.

IMPORTANT

That pursuant to the provisions of Section 88 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the following statement be included in the information sheet which will accompany the Rates Notice:

- If you consider that as at the date of the issue of the Notice, your Land should, having regard to the description adopted by Council, have been included in another of the Categories listed in this brochure, you may object against the categorisation of your land by posting to or lodging with the Burke Shire Council, PO Box 90, Burketown Qld 4830, a Notice of Objection in the prescribed form within thirty (30) days of the date of issue of the Rates Notice (copies of the Form are available at Council's Administration Office or on Council's website).
- The only ground on which you may so object is that your land should, having regard to the description adopted by Council, have been included in some other Category.
- The posting to or lodging of a Notice of Objection with Council shall not in the meantime interfere with or affect the levy and recovery of the Rates referred to in this Rates Notice.
- If, because of your Notice of Objection, the land is included in another Category, an adjustment of the amount of Rates levied or, as the case may be, the amount of Rates paid shall be made.
- The Category in which your land is included was identified by Burke Shire Council.

The following are the various Categories with the minimum rate and the applicable rate in the dollar for each category, which have been adopted by the Council:

Residential Categories				
Differential Category	Category Description	Rate in the \$	Minimum General Rate	Capped %
1 – Residential – Burketown <0.8 Ha	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for residential purposes within the township of Burketown which has an area of less than 0.8 Hectares.	2.32783	\$1,300.00	No Cap
2 – Residential – Gregory <0.8 Ha	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for residential purposes within the township of Gregory which has an area of less than 0.8 Hectares.	6.42610	\$1,300.00	No Cap
3 – Other Land 0.8Ha <10 Ha- (All Areas)	Land used , or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural or residential purposes with an area of between 0.8 hectares or more but less than 10 Hectares that is not otherwise categorised.	2.32943	\$1,339.00	No Cap
4 – Multi Residential (All Areas)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of multi-unit dwellings, including flats or units, guest houses and private hotels.	2.08571	\$1,300.00	No Cap
Commercial and Industry Categories				
Differential Category	Category Description	Rate in the \$	Minimum General Rate	Capped %
10 – Commercial – Burketown	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial purposes within the township of Burketown.	2.39175	\$1,392.00	No Cap

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11 – Commercial – Gregory	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial purposes within the township of Gregory.	7.10189	\$1,392.00	No Cap
12 - Commercial - Other	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial purposes outside the townships of Burketown and Gregory.	3.09373	\$1,392.00	No Cap
13 – Clubs and Not for Profit (All Areas)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purposes of a club, sporting organisation or religious institution.	1.36913	\$1,392.00	No Cap
14 – Transformer Sites (All Areas)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of a transformer.	3.73725	\$1,597.00	No Cap
15 – Commercial – Rural Tourism	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for commercial tourism purposes located outside of a township.	10.88511	\$1,391.00	No Cap
16 – Industry – Burketown	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for industry purposes within the township of Burketown.	1.90845	\$1,392.00	No Cap
17 – Industry – Gregory	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for industry purposes within the township of Gregory.	7.23975	\$1,392.00	No Cap
Rural Categories				
Differential Category	Category Description	Rate in the \$	Minimum General Rate	Capped %
20 – Rural Land 10 - <1,000 Ha	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural residential or rural grazing purposes which is 10 Hectares or more but less than 1,000 Hectares.	1.22097	\$1,434.00	No Cap
21 – Rural Land 1000 - <300,000 Ha (Grazing Land)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural grazing purposes which is 1,000 Hectares or more but less than 300,000 Hectares.	0.51745	\$1,434.00	3.8%
22 – Rural Land 300,000 -<500,000 Ha (Grazing Land)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural grazing purposes which is 300,000 Hectares or more but less than 500,000 Hectares.	0.60286	\$1,434.00	No Cap
23 – Rural Land >=500,000 Ha (Grazing Land)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural grazing purposes which is 500,000 Hectares or more.	0.39682	\$1,434.00	No Cap
24 – Rural Land >=10Ha (Cropping Cultivation)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for rural cropping purposes which is 10 Hectares or more.	3.34528	\$1,434.00	No Cap
Intensive Business and Industry Categories				
Differential Category	Category Description	Rate in the \$	Minimum General Rate	Capped %
30 – Rateable Prospecting	Land with a prospecting permit.	127.56552	\$3,475.00	No Cap
31 – Mining Lease less than 100 Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Act 1989) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of less than 100 Hectares.	127.56552	\$3,475.00	No Cap

32 – Mining Lease 100 - <1,000Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Act 1989) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of 100 Hectares or more but less than 1,000 Hectares.	127.56552	\$34,742.00	No Cap
33 – Mining Lease 1000 - <10,000Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Act 1989) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of 1,000 Hectares or more but less than 10,000 Hectares.	127.56552	\$347,420.00	No Cap
34 – Mining Lease 10,000 -<20,000Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Act 1989) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of 10,000 Hectares or more but less than 20,000 Hectares.	127.56552	\$694,841.00	No Cap
35 – Mining Lease ≥20,000Ha	Land used as a mine (pursuant to a Mining Lease issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Act 1989) for the mining or large scale reprocessing of minerals, with an area of 20,000 Hectares or more.	1274.01425	\$3,054,803.00	No Cap
37 – Mining Rehabilitation 100 - <250 employees and/or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Act 1989) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 100 or more employees and/or contractors, but less than 250 employees and/or contractors, presently being rehabilitated.	127.56552	\$347,420.00	No Cap
38 – Mining Rehabilitation 250 -<500 employees and/or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Act 1989) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 250 or more employees and/or contractors, but less than 500 employees and/or contractors, presently being rehabilitated.	127.56552	\$694,841.00	No Cap
39 – Mining Rehabilitation ≥ 500 employees and/or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Act 1989) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 500 or more employees and/or contractors, presently being rehabilitated.	127.56552	\$1,389,681.00	No Cap
40 - Mining Rehabilitation with incidental activity 100 - <250 employees and/or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Act 1989) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 100 or more employees and/or contractors, but less than 250 employees and/or contractors, partly being rehabilitated and partly being used for incidental new mining, reprocessing or other activity.	127.56552	\$404,761.00	No Cap
41 - Mining Rehabilitation with incidental activity 250 - <500 employees and/or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Act 1989) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 250 or more employees and/or contractors, but less than 500 employees and/or contractors, partly being rehabilitated and partly being used for incidental new mining, reprocessing or other activity.	127.56552	\$809,522.00	No Cap

42 - Mining Rehabilitation with incidental activity > = 500 employees and/or contractors	Land that is the subject of a mining lease (issued pursuant to the Mineral Resources Act 1989) previously used for large scale mining which employed, at its peak, 500 or more employees and/or contractors, partly being rehabilitated and partly being used for incidental new mining, reprocessing or other activity.	127.56552	\$1,619,046.00	No Cap
43 - Petroleum Lease < 10000Ha	Petroleum Lease issued with an area less than 10,000 Hectares.	127.56552	\$27,793.00	No Cap
44 - Petroleum Lease 10000 <20000Ha	Petroleum Lease issued with an area of 10,000 hectares or more but less than 20,000 Hectares.	127.56552	\$55,588.00	No Cap
45 - Petroleum Lease > 20000Ha	Petroleum Lease issued with an area 20,000 Hectares or more.	127.56552	\$111,174.00	No Cap
46 – Intensive Accommodation (5 - 10)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 5 or more accommodation units up to and including 10 accommodation units.	1.93889	\$9,000.00	No Cap
47 - Intensive Accommodation (11 - 25)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 11 or more accommodation units up to and including 25 accommodation units.	1.93889	\$13,000.00	No Cap
48 – Intensive Accommodation (26 - 50)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 26 or more accommodation units up to and including 50 accommodation units.	1.93889	\$26,000.00	No Cap
49 - Intensive Accommodation (51 - 100)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 51 or more accommodation units up to and including 100 accommodation units.	1.93889	\$52,000.00	No Cap
50 - Intensive Accommodation (101 - 200)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 101 or more accommodation units up to and including 200 accommodation units.	1.93889	\$104,000.00	No Cap
51 - Intensive Accommodation (201+)	Land used, or capable of being used, in whole or in part for the purpose of an accommodation work camp with 201 or more accommodation units.	1.93889	\$208,000.00	No Cap
52 – Solar Farm 1 - 10 MW	Applies to land used, or intended to be used, for the generation of electricity from solar energy with an installed capacity of 1 MW up to 10 MW.	2.1101	\$5,000.00	No Cap
53 - Solar Farm 11 - 40 MW	Applies to land used, or intended to be used, for the generation of electricity from solar energy with an installed capacity of 11 MW up to 40 MW.	2.1101	\$10,000.00	No Cap
54 - Solar Farm 41 - 100 MW	Applies to land used, or intended to be used, for the generation of electricity from solar energy with an installed capacity of 41 MW up to 100 MW.	2.1101	\$20,000.00	No Cap
55 - Solar Farm 101 + MW	Applies to land used, or intended to be used, for the generation of electricity from solar energy with an installed capacity of 101 MW and/or greater.	2.1101	\$40,000.00	No Cap
56 –Wind Farm 1 - 10 MW	Applies to land used, or intended to be used, for the generation of electricity from Windfarms with an installed capacity of 1 MW up to 10 MW.	4.2202	\$10,000.00	No Cap
57 - Wind Farm 11 - 40 MW	Applies to land used, or intended to be used, for the generation of electricity from Windfarms with an installed capacity of 11 MW up to 40 MW.	4.2202	\$20,000.00	No Cap
58 - Wind Farm 41 - 100 MW	Applies to land used, or intended to be used, for the generation of electricity from Windfarms with an installed capacity of 41 MW up to 100 MW.	4.2202	\$40,000.00	No Cap

59 - Wind Farm 101 + MW	Applies to land used, or intended to be used, for the generation of electricity from Windfarms with an installed capacity of 101 MW and/or greater.	4.2202	\$80,000.00	No Cap
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UTILITY CHARGES

In accordance with Section 94 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council has established the following Utility Charges which will contribute to the costs of operating, maintaining and managing each specific utility service provided.

Waste Management Utility Charges

Council provides a waste collection and disposal service for all properties within the Burketown and Gregory service areas. Each property will be charged for a minimum level of service, as detailed below. All occupied premises or structure within the service area will attract a cleansing charge irrespective of whether they use the service or not. Charges for refuse services will commence upon premises being considered to be able to be occupied.

Where a service is commenced or terminated during a year, a pro-rata charge shall be levied. However:

- No adjustment shall be made for non-occupancy or use of premises less than six months in duration; and
- Adjustment shall only be made when written advice is given to Council; and
- Only from the date of receipt of that advice; and
- The relevant bins provided have been returned to Council.

The minimum level of service to be applied and charged on a per bin service basis are:		
Type	Unit	Charge per unit
Garbage – Residential	1 unit (equivalent 1 x 240L wheelie bin) per residential unit	1 unit = \$544.34
Garbage – Non-Residential Commercial, retail, industrial	3 units (equivalent 3 x 240L wheelie bins)	3 unit = \$1,633.02
Garbage – Additional Services	1 unit (equivalent 1 x 240L wheelie bin) per service	1 unit = \$544.34

Sewerage Utility Charges

Council provides a sewerage reticulation system within the defined sewerage area of the township of Burketown. Council charges are rated for provision of this service. The rate is based upon the operating and maintenance cost of the system, together with a provisional component seeking to recover an amount toward future replacement and augmentation of the system.

Residential properties attract a unit charge for each residential unit. For a single unit dwelling, this shall be one (1) unit. For multiple unit dwellings such as flats, units or cabins, the charge is one (1) unit per dwelling.

Non-residential properties (commercial, retail, industrial, accommodation facilities) attract a unit charge for each pedestal or pedestal equivalent. An installation with 5 pedestal = 5 units.

Vacant properties attract a unit charge recognising that a sewerage service is available to the land, as infrastructure has been installed ready to service the property once it is occupied.

The sewerage charges are:		
Type	Unit	Charge per unit
Sewerage – Residential	1 unit per residential unit	1 unit = \$739.70
Sewerage – Non-Residential (Commercial, retail, industrial, etc)	1 unit per pedestal or pedestal equivalent (example: 5 Pedestals = 5 Units)	1 unit = \$739.70
Sewerage – Vacant Land	1 unit per parcel	1 unit = \$739.70

Water Utility Charges

Water treatment systems are operated in the townships of Burketown and Gregory.

Council provides a water supply to all properties within the serviced areas.

Council will charge each parcel of land an Access Charge recognising that a water service is available to the land as infrastructure has been installed ready to service the property once it is occupied.

Council operates a rating regime based on:

- Category – such as residential, commercial, parks and gardens, schools, hospitals.

Access charge – whereby all allotments in the water areas have access to the network; and

- Consumption Charge –to control excessive water usage.

Category	Inclusion	Access Charge
A1	Vacant Land	\$1,128.92
A2	Residential dwellings	\$1,128.92
A3	Commercial/Retail, other installations not specified elsewhere	\$1,128.92
A4	Leased land connections, cemetery	\$1,599.28
A5	Hotels and Accommodation businesses;	\$4,166.22
A6	Parks and Gardens; Reserves	\$4,137.18
A7	Schools, Hospitals	\$8,009.92

Consumption charges for the period 01/07/2025 to 30/06/2026:

Consumption Charges	Up to 900kL	>900kL – 2000kL	>2000kL
Cost (\$ / kL)	\$0.00	\$0.480	\$0.829

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT LEVY (EML)

The EML is a State Government levy. Burke Shire Council is required to collect the levy on behalf of the State Government. There is no discount applicable for the EML.

Ratepayers are not eligible for an early-payment discount if the EML is unpaid.

Methods of Payment

There are five ways to pay your rates:

1. Bpay -The biller code and payment reference are located on the front of your rates notice.
2. Online Banking
 - a. Details: BSB 034-203, Account Number 000-639, Account Name Burke Shire Council
 - b. Reference: The payment reference number (see bottom left of rates notice) and owner name (top left of rates notice) should be included in the payment details to ensure your payment is allocated to the correct account.
 - c. Please also ensure that a fax is sent to 07 4745 5151 or an email is sent to office@burke.qld.gov.au showing the above payment details.
3. By Telephone
 - a. Please phone our customer service officer on 07 4745 5100 (between 9am - 4pm, Monday to Friday) to pay by credit card over the phone. Have your Rates Notice available for details. Credit Card Limits are:
 - i. Minimum - \$10.00
 - ii. Maximum - \$4,000.00
4. By Mail
 - a. Cheques, money orders or credit card details can be mailed to Council with the payment slip on the bottom of the rates notice.
 - b. Cheques and money orders should be made payable to Burke Shire Council.
5. In Person
 - a. Payment can be made at the Burke Shire Council office in Burketown (9am - 4pm, Monday to Friday) by cash, cheque, money order or EFTPOS.