

Bass Strait Islands - Age Pension - Air Travel Subsidy Information

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What is the Bass Strait Islands Age Pension Air Travel Subsidy?

It is a subsidy for eligible age pensioners to offset part of the cost to access services on mainland Tasmania.

The subsidy is a 50% rebate of one return air flight, between a Bass Strait Island and mainland Tasmania, each financial year (1 July - 30 June).

Why is there a Bass Strait Islands Age Pension Air Travel Subsidy?

Age pensioners on the Bass Strait Islands face transportation costs to access services that are available on mainland Tasmania.

The subsidy offsets some of these costs to allow them to access those mainland Tasmanian services.

Who can apply?

To be eligible, at the time of the outward flight from the Bass Strait Island, you must be:

- 65 years of age or over.
- A resident on a Bass Strait Island.
- The holder of a Centrelink issued Pensioner Concession Card endorsed with 'AGE' for Age Pension or the holder of a Department of Veterans' Affairs Pensioner Concession Card.

When to apply?

To apply for a payment you must have already booked, paid for, and undertaken your return trip.

How to apply?

To make an application, complete the Bass Strait Islands Age Pension Air Travel Subsidy Application form and go to Service Tasmania with:

- Evidence that you are aged 65 years or over (e.g. your driver licence or birth certificate).
- Proof of residency on a Bass Strait Island (e.g. your driver licence or a utility bill).
- Your used return airline ticket (including ticket price).

Service Tasmania will make a copy of your application and supporting documentation.

Keep your copy until you receive a response from the Department of State Growth.

What happens next?

Applications can take up to four weeks to be assessed.

You will receive a letter advising you of the outcome of your application.

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Applicant Details

Title	First name	Last name
Address		
Suburb		Postcode
Date of birth		Phone number

Travel Details

Airline	Ticket number	Total ticketed fare paid
	Outward trip	Return trip
Travel date	Travel date	
Travel from	Travel from	
Travel to	Travel to	

Reimbursement Details

Account name	BSB	Account number
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Concession Card Details

Select your concession card type - tick the corresponding box

<input type="checkbox"/> Centrelink - Pensioner Concession Card	<input type="checkbox"/> Department of Veterans' Affairs - Pensioner Concession Card
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Provide your Centrelink CRN or DVA file number

CRN - - - **OR** DVA file number

Centrelink Customer Consent

I (insert your name)	authorise:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">the Department of State Growth (the department) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform a Centrelink or Department of Veterans' Affairs enquiry of my Centrelink or Department of Veterans' Affairs customer details and concession card status to enable the department to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service, andServices Australia (the agency) to provide the results of that enquiry to the department.	
I understand that:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">The agency will disclose personal information to the department including my name, address, payment type, payment status, number of dependent children, and concession card type and status, to confirm my eligibility for the Bass Strait Islands Age Pension Air Travel Subsidy.This consent, once signed, remains valid while I am a customer of the department unless I withdraw it by contacting the department or the agency. I can get proof of my circumstances or details from the agency and provide it to the department so my eligibility for the Bass Strait Islands Age Pension Air Travel Subsidy can be determined.If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances or details, I may not be eligible for the Bass Strait Islands Age Pension Air Travel Subsidy provided by the department.	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Signature	Date

Submit this application, with supporting information, at any [Service Tasmania shop](#).

Personal Information Protection Statement

You are providing personal information to the Department of State Growth, which will manage that information in accordance with the [Personal Information Protection Act 2004](#). The personal information collected here will be used by the Department for the purpose of assessing eligibility, and managing, the Bass Strait Island Age Pension Air Travel Subsidy program.

Failure to provide this information may affect the assessment of your application, or records not being properly maintained. The Department may also use the information for related purposes, or disclose it to third parties in circumstances allowed for by law. You have the right to ask the Department to give you access to the personal information you have provided. You may be charged a fee for this service.

ENQUIRIES

Email passenger.transport@stategrowth.tas.gov.au

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