



SCRD Rainwater Harvesting Rebate Program Terms and Conditions 2026

The Sunshine Coast Regional District (SCRD) administers the Rainwater Harvesting Rebate Program (the "Program").

1. Property owners within the Sunshine Coast Regional District, who are residential customers with an SCRD water utilities account¹, are eligible to participate in the Program. There is a lifetime limit of \$1,000.00 per property.
2. Property owners must install the rainwater harvesting system at the address listed on the application form.
3. Only storage vessels (cisterns or tanks) are eligible for a rebate. Additional materials or installation fees, such as pumps and piping, are not eligible for the rebate.
4. To participate in the Program, property owners must:
 - a. Submit a completed Pre-Approval Application - **MUST APPLY BEFORE YOU BUY**
 - b. Purchase and install a rainwater harvesting system within 90 days of receiving pre-approval letter from the SCRD.
 - c. Submit a completed Claim Form, including a detailed invoice and a proof of payment (receipt showing completed payment/transaction) of a storage vessel of at least 4,500 liters, and photos of the completed installation with a roof catchment of at least 20m², within 90 days of receiving a pre-approval letter from the SCRD.
5. The SCRD will not be responsible for any late, lost, incomplete, illegible, misdirected, stolen, delayed, damaged, destroyed Applications, or other failures or circumstances affecting, or disrupting, the submission of any Applications.
6. In the event of an incomplete Application, the SCRD may void the Application if the Property Owner fails to respond within five (5) business days to all reasonable email inquiries by the SCRD with respect to properly completing the Application.
7. The Property Owner takes sole responsibility for the selection, purchase, installation and ownership/maintenance of the Rainwater Harvesting system.
8. The Property Owner is responsible for complying with the BC Building Code and the administrative policies of the local building department, in particular those related to grading requirements and foundation protection; a professional engineer should be consulted in case of any concerns. The Property Owner also certifies that appropriate building and development permits are completed, if required.
9. The Property Owner is responsible for complying with zoning regulations, specifically setbacks as well as development permit areas contained within Official Community Plans of the local planning department. ([SCRD planning resources](#) or [District of Sechelt planning resources](#))
10. Should the storage vessel(s) be connected to existing plumbing, appropriate backflow prevention devices must be installed in accordance with Bylaw 778.
11. The SCRD is not responsible for any liabilities that may result from exposure to, or ingestion or inhalation of, collected rainwater by humans or animals.
12. **The property owner agrees to not use SCRD treated water to fill the rainwater harvesting system.**
13. The SCRD reserves the right to change or terminate the Program and these Terms and Conditions at any time without notice including but not limited to: Program eligibility criteria, dates, and rebate amounts funded by the SCRD. **Rebates are available, subject to funding, for applications pre-approved starting January 1, 2026, until October 1, 2026, or until program funding is exhausted.**
14. By applying for this rebate, the Property Owner acknowledges that the SCRD may contact the Property Owner in the future to participate in a questionnaire regarding this Program.

*For questions regarding the SCRD Rainwater Harvesting Rebate Program please call 604 885 6806 *press 2 or email infrastructure@scrd.ca. Visit www.scrd.ca/rainwater-harvesting-rebates/ for more information*

¹ The *Local Government Act* Section 273 states "a Board must not provide assistance to an industrial, commercial or business undertaking."