


QUAD BIKE SAFETY

Rebate Scheme





The Quad Bike Safety Rebate Scheme is available to Tasmanian farmers to improve safety on quad bikes. The Tasmanian Government is encouraging relevant workplaces to take part in the rebate scheme to help reduce quad bike injuries and deaths.

Rebates available

Under the scheme, a cash-back rebate of up to 50% of the purchase price (to a maximum of \$500) for an approved operator/rollover/crush protection device is available, with a total of \$1,000 available for each eligible farm workplace.

Rebates are available for operator/rollover/crush protection devices purchased from 1 July 2019. However, eligible farmers who purchase a device from 23 May 2019, and can provide valid proof of purchase, may also apply for the rebate from 1 July 2019.

Approved devices

An operator/rollover/crush protection device is an engineered attachment that is fitted to a quad bike. It is designed to help protect riders from crush-related injuries in the event of a rollover.

The device approved for this rebate scheme must have been designed and manufactured in accordance with approved engineering standards and independently tested to be eligible for the rebate.

There are currently two devices which are eligible for the rebate:

- /// ATV Lifeguard: atvlifeguards.com / sales@atvlifeguards.com
- /// Quadbar™: quadbar.com / info@quadbar.com.au

The rebate does not cover installation.

Other models

The rebate will be available for any new operator/rollover/crush protection device that becomes available if it can be demonstrated that the product has been suitably designed and manufactured in accordance with appropriate engineering principles and that the product has been independently tested.

Eligibility

The rebate is available to workplaces that:

- /// have farming as their main source of income
- /// operate a business in Tasmania
- /// have no more than 20 full-time employees
- /// own a quad bike for work purposes.

Farmers who are owner-operators with no employees are also eligible to apply.

Definition of ‘farming’

A ‘farmer’ is a primary producer, as defined by the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). According to the ATO, a primary producer is an individual, partnership, trust or company operating a primary production business. This rebate applies to primary producers who operate a business of animal or plant cultivation. Animal and plant cultivation includes:

- /// maintaining animals for the purpose of selling them or their bodily produce
- /// manufacturing dairy produce from raw material that you produced
- /// cultivating or propagating plants, fungi or their products or parts (including seeds, spores, bulbs and similar things) in any physical environment.



How to claim the rebate

Rebates for operator/rollover/crush protection devices will be available to claim from 1 July 2019 to 10 October 2021.

Rebates will be allocated on a first-in, first-served basis to eligible applicants who have submitted completed applications.

Can a business apply for more than one rebate if the business supports several families?

Eligible farm workplaces are able to apply for rebates up to the \$1,000 maximum.

Can I use the rebate for purchases made before 1 July 2019?

You can apply for the rebate from 1 July 2019.

Purchases of operator/rollover/crush protection devices made from 23 May 2019 may be eligible for a rebate. Valid proof of purchase must be provided. Purchases made before 23 May 2019 will not be eligible.

Can I claim the rebate for an alternate vehicle if I don't own a quad bike?

No. You must own a quad bike for work purposes to be eligible for the rebate.



What is excluded from the rebate scheme

The rebate scheme will not cover:

- /// purchase of second-hand items
- /// the design or manufacturing of new items, including items that you have designed and manufactured to your specifications
- /// owner-built items*
- /// purchase of raw materials
- /// service repairs or maintenance
- /// installation
- /// products or equipment used for domestic, recreational or social activities.

*The rebate is only available for operator/rollover/crush protection devices that have been designed and manufactured in accordance with approved engineering standards. Any new design will need to be signed off by a competent and suitably qualified person, such as an engineer, and independently tested. Anyone seeking to build their own device takes on the responsibility of the designer and manufacturer, and both have duties under the *Work Health and Safety Act 2012*.

Call WorkSafe Tasmania on 1300 366 322 for more information.

Will fitting a device void my warranty or affect my insurance?

An operator/rollover/crush protection device is an accessory for a quad bike that needs to be fitted in accordance with its manufacturer's instructions.

Australian consumer law applies to the purchase of quad bikes and operator/rollover/crush protection devices, so if you buy something that isn't right, you have consumer rights.

If you have any concerns in relation to insurance, seek advice from your insurer.

How to apply for the rebate

You can apply for the rebate online, by email or post from 1 July 2019.

Details and an application form are available at farmpoint.tas.gov.au or worksafe.tas.gov.au or call 1300 366 322 during business hours.

You will need to include proof of purchase with your application (e.g. tax invoices and receipts). Your proof of purchase must include the business name, address, ABN, payment date, description and cost of the operator/rollover/crush protection for which the rebate is being claimed.

You will be advised in writing if your application does not comply with the eligibility criteria. You will have an opportunity to address any further requirements within 21 days of the notification, subject to fund availability.

Quad bike safety resources

For resources about safe use of quad bikes, go to worksafe.tas.gov.au and search for 'quad bikes'.

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For more information about quad bike
safety go to worksafe.tas.gov.au

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