Please ask for: Revenues & Benefits Service Direct Line: 0116 454 1005 Business Rates Ref: Issue date:



# **Revenues & Benefits Service**

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### Reoccupation Relief Appeal

#### **Property Address**

#### **Property Description**

#### Before you complete this form, please read the notes on the back.

I wish to appeal against the refusal to allow Reoccupation Rate Relief in respect of the above property because:

- ☐ My business property is of a type specifically stated as being eligible for relief and the Council has by error omitted to grant relief.
- My business property is not of a type specifically stated as being eligible for relief, but by analogy the current and previous use of the property is comparable to one which is listed as eligible, and provides benefit to the area and its community.

Please give full details of the property's current usage in line with its description to substantiate your appeal:

Signed (ratepayer's signature / person authorised to sign):	
Print Name:	
Capacity of person signing:	
Date: / / T	elephone Number:
Fax Number:	. E-Mail Address

# Explanatory Notes

This form must be <u>fully</u> completed and returned to FREEPOST RRBZ-TECL-GRLZ, Leicester City Council, Financial Services, Revenues & Benefits Service (Business Rates), Wellington House, 22-32 Wellington Street, Leicester LE1 6HL.

1. The qualifying criteria for this relief are:

- The property must have been empty for 12 months or more immediately before reoccupation;
- The property must be reoccupied between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016;
- When previously in use, the property was wholly or mainly used for retail purposes; and
- The use of the property must provide a benefit to the area in which the property is situated and its community.
- 2. The new use of the reoccupied retail premises can be for any use (i.e. not just retail uses), except the following that are considered to be not eligible for the relief:
  - Betting shops, bookmakers, gambling establishments
  - Pawn brokers
  - Shops/venues offering material of an adult or sexual nature

(This list is only illustrative and not exhaustive)

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