



**BEAUFORT WEST MUNICIPALITY / BEAUFORT-WES MUNISIPALITEIT**

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT: MUNICIPAL PROPERTY RATES ACT NO.6 OF 2004**

**RESOLUTION ON LEVYING PROPERTY RATES**

**Notice no. 95/2024**

**Date 31 May 2024**

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**RESOLUTION LEVYING PROPERTY RATES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1 JULY 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2025**

Notice is hereby given in terms of the section 14(1) and (2) of the Local Government: Municipal Property Rates Act, 2004; that at its meeting of 21/05/2024, the Council resolved by way of council resolution number 8.3, to levy the rates on property reflected in the schedule below with effect from 1 July 2024

<b>Category of property</b>	<b>Rate ratio</b>	<b>Cent amount in the Rand rate determined for the relevant property category</b>
Residential Properties	1:1	0.014250
Business Properties	1:2	0.028500
Industrial Properties	1:2	0.028500
Agricultural Properties	1:0.09	0.001247
Public service purposes	1:2	0.028500
National Monuments	1:1	0.014250
Mining Properties	1:2	0.028500
Multiple use Properties	As per allocation	As per allocation
Municipal Properties	1:0	0.0
Nature Reserve Properties	1:0	0.0
PSI	1:0	0.0
Vacant Land	1:1.2	0.017100

**EXEMPTIONS, REDUCTIONS AND REBATES**

**Residential Properties:** For all residential properties the municipality will not levy a rate on the first R 15 000 of the property's market value. The R15 000 is inclusive of the R15 000 statutory impermissible rate as per section 17(1)(h) of the Municipal Property Rates Act.

Additional rebate of R100 000 for all residential properties with a market value less than R190 000 reduction determined in the Rates policy



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### **Rebates in respect of a category of owners of property are as follows:**

Owners of National Monuments be levied at residential tariff provided that –

- The buildings are in a satisfactory condition, and
- The Director Engineering Services has during the second Month of each financial year submitted a report that the building is in a satisfactory condition in order that the municipality may consider whether to grant a rebate.

### **Agricultural**

As a result of, and considering, limited rate-funded services supplied to such properties in general, the contribution of agriculture to the local economy, the extent to which agriculture assists in meeting the service delivery and development obligations of the community, and the contribution of agriculture to the social and economic welfare of farm workers, the council bills a reduced rate (as set out below) in respect of properties subject to agricultural use.

This rate rebate is 91% of the rate levied on Residential Properties, which rate on properties subject to agricultural use does not exceed the maximum ratio to the rate on Residential Property prescribed in the MPRA Rate Ratio Regulations.

The council will, when it imposes rates and sets tariffs for the budget year, grant an additional rebate of 65% on the rates payable in respect of agricultural properties where –

- there are no municipal roads next to the property;
- there is no municipal sewerage to the property;
- there is no municipal electricity to the property;
- water is not supplied by the municipality;
- refuse removal is not provided by the municipality.

No other rebates will be granted to properties that qualify for the Agricultural rebate. For the avoidance of doubt properties that qualify for the agricultural rebate will not be entitled to the residential rate rebate.



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### Pensioners

Registered owners of Residential Properties who are pensioners qualify for special rebates according to gross monthly household income of all Pensioners permanently residing on that property. To qualify for the rebate a property owner must be the registered owner of a property which satisfies the requirements of the definition of residential Property. This property owner must on 1 July of the financial year:

- Occupy the property as his/her Primary Residence, and
- Be at least 60 years of age, or
- Has been declared medically unfit even if not yet 60 years of age, and
- Be in receipt of a gross monthly household income not exceeding the amount determined by Council during the Municipality's budgeted process.
- Must annually submit proof to the CFO that he or she is registered with the Department of Social Development as a recipient of an old age or disability grant.
- Market value of the property not exceeding R 1 100 000
  - R 2 205 and under - 30%
  - R 2 206 to R 6 000 - 20%
  - R 6 001 to R12 000 - 10%

An owner must annually provide credible proof of his or her economic/financial position to the Chief Financial Officer.

Full details of the Council resolution and rebates, reductions, and exemptions specific to each category of owner's properties or owners of a specific category of properties as determined through criteria in the municipality's rates policy are available for inspection on the municipality's offices, website ([www.beaufortwestmun.co.za](http://www.beaufortwestmun.co.za)) and public libraries within the municipality's jurisdiction.

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