



**VILLAGE SHOP & POST OFFICE RATE RELIEF SCHEME
APPLICATION FOR MANDATORY OR DISCRETIONARY RATE RELIEF
LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND RATING ACT 1997. Scheme 1.**

Account No:..... Prop Ref:..... Parish:..... RV:.....

1. NAME: (Ratepayer making application)
2. ADDRESS: (Property for which application is made) Postcode
3. DESCRIPTION: (Service/Business carried out from the property at address above)	

GUIDANCE NOTES: Relief from rates may be available where the following circumstances apply:

- MANDATORY RELIEF** from 50% rates, where the business is:
 - located within a qualifying settlement
 - has a rateable value of no greater than £7,000
 - used as a general store (food shop) post office. or both
- DISCRETIONARY RELIEF** from up to 100% of rates, where a business:
 - is within a qualifying settlement
 - has a rateable value of no greater than £14,000
 - is used for purposes which benefit the local community, and where the District council, at its discretion, considers that such relief would be reasonable, having regard to the interests of the council tax payers. In exercising its discretion, the Council has determined that it will normally expect the following criteria to be met by applicants for this relief. The business will;
 - already qualify for mandatory relief, or after relief
 - meet all other requirements for mandatory relief, and be disqualified only by the existence of one other like business, or being marginally in excess of the RV limit, and/or
 - be only marginally unable to meet the definition of general store, and thereby be disqualified from mandatory relief.

NB. Qualifying settlements are all town/parishes in Ryedale other than Malton, Norton and Pickering.

Signature: Date:

Please complete and return this application to the Business Rates office at the address above. If you require further information please contact the office.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY		MR granted : %
Application rec'd on/...../.....	H oR delegated / Committee	DR granted : %
R. V. :	Committee date:...../...../.....	Approved :
Actioned on/...../..... by		Date :/...../.....

Ms B Lovett – Revenues Manager