BERRI BARMERA DOG DESEXING SUBSIDY SCHEME 2026 / 2027 INFORMATION GUIDE

What is the dog desexing subsidy scheme?

The Berri Barmera Council, in partnership with the Berri Riverland Veterinary Clinic, is offering a dog desexing subsidy for the 2026/2027 financial year. Eligible dog owners can receive a **$130.00 subsidy** toward the cost of desexing their dog. An additional discount may also be available from the Riverland Veterinary Clinic - please discuss this directly with the clinic when booking your appointment.

Under the Dog and Cat Management Act 1995, all dogs born after 1 July 2018 must be desexed by law.

Exemption: A veterinarian may grant an exemption if desexing poses a significant risk to your dog's health or could negatively impact its growth, development, or overall wellbeing. For more information about exemptions, please consult your vet.

If your dog is both microchipped and desexed, your annual registration may be reduced by up to 50%.

Am I eligible for the subsidy?

You must meet the following eligibility criteria and dog desexing terms and conditions, to be successful to receive the subsidy.

1. You are a Berri Barmera Council resident
2. Your dog is registered in the Berri Barmera Council area (www.dogsandcatsonline.com.au)

Dog desexing terms and conditions*

- *This subsidy is limited to 2 animals per household, per financial year*
- *An application form must be submitted and approved prior to the desexing procedure*
- *Subsidy approval is only valid for use at the Berri Riverland Veterinary Clinic*
- *You will be invoiced by the Veterinary Clinic, with the subsidy amount deducted from the final bill.* ***Please note:*** *Any additional services or costs incurred during the appointment are not covered by this subsidy program.*

Veterinary Dog desexing criteria conditions

- *Dogs must be vaccinated and have a current vaccination certificate*
- *Male dogs must have both testicles descended*
- *Female dogs must not be pregnant or on heat*

The dog desexing criteria are conditions of the Riverland Veterinary Clinic for this subsidy program. If you are unsure if you meet the desexing conditions, please contact the Berri Riverland Veterinary Clinic on (08) 8582 1222 to discuss

How to apply:

Complete an application form and return it to the Berri Barmera Council office or email it to bbc@bbc.sa.gov.au

If your application is successful, you will receive a conditional approval letter from the Berri Barmera Council.

Next, contact the **Berri Riverland Veterinary Clinic** on **(08) 8582 1222** to book your appointment. Please note: You will be billed by the Veterinary Clinic, with the approved subsidy deducted from your final invoice.

Spots in the scheme are limited. Subsidies must be claimed by 30 June 2027, unless advised otherwise. Please note that the program is subject to change or closure at any time without notice due to limited availability.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Riverland Veterinary Clinic on (08) 8582 1222 or Berri Barmera Council on (08) 8582 1922.

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2026 / 2027 APPLICATION FORM

Berri Barmera Council, in partnership with the Berri Riverland Veterinary Clinic are offering a dog desexing subsidy for successful applicants.

To be eligible, you must meet the following eligibility criteria

☐ You are a Berri Barmera Council resident

☐ Your Dog is registered in the Berri Barmera Council area (www.dogsandcatsonline.com.au)

Upon successful application, you will receive a conditional approval letter from the Berri Barmera Council. Please contact the Berri Riverland Veterinary Clinic on (08) 8582 1222 to arrange to book your appointment.

Please complete and return the following application form to the Berri Barmera Council or emailed to bbc@bbc.sa.gov.au

**Conditions apply – Please see Berri Barmera Dog desexing subsidy scheme 2026 / 2027 information Guide*

OWNER DETAILS		
First Name:		Surname:
Phone:		Email:
Residential Address:		
Postal Address: (if different from above)		
Owner Signature:		Date:

DOG DETAILS	
Dog Name:	Date of Birth:
Registration Number (if known):	Sex: ☐ Female ☐ Male
Breed:	Microchipped: ☐ Yes ☐ No

COUNCIL - OFFICE USE ONLY	
Meets Eligible Criteria: ☐ Yes ☐ No	Application Status: ☐ Approved ☐ Declined
Record Number:	Comments:
Permit Issued:	Date Issued:
Officer Signature:	Emailed to Vets: