

Important – Please read

New Anti-Money Laundering Laws

From 12 December 2007 Australia has implemented new Anti-Money Laundering (AML) laws to meet international standards to help protect businesses from being misused for money laundering and terrorism financing.

What are the new laws?

The new laws require businesses involved with certain financial services to verify a client's identity. This practice is currently commonplace with the banking institutions who implement verification checks for all new customers.

How will you be affected?

If you intend to invest directly with Rural Funds Management Limited (RFM) you will be required to provide some identification documents when you submit your application form. If the investment is to be in an individual name or if you are a sole trader, you will need to provide ONE of the following primary ID documents:

- Australian State/Territory driver's licence containing a photograph
- Australian Passport
- Foreign Passport or similar travel document containing a photograph & signature of the person
- Card issued under a State or Territory for the purpose of proving a person's age & containing a photograph

The original of one of these ID documents must be viewed by an RFM representative in the Canberra office with the completed application form. If you are unable to provide one of these ID documents in person, then a copy will be accepted if it has been certified as a true copy of an original document. The following people, amongst others, will be able to certify your documents:

- A judge of a court
- A Magistrate
- A Justice of the Peace
- A police officer
- An agent or employee of Australia Post
- A legal practitioner
- A pharmaceutical chemist
- An accountant (a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in Australia, CPA Australia or the National Institute of Accountants with two or more years of continuous membership)

If the investment is to be held by a Company or a Trust, an original or certified copy of the certification of registration issued by ASIC or another Commonwealth statutory regulator or a certified copy of the trust deed (trusts only) must be provided. Further information relating to the entity's trustees, directors or beneficial owners may be also required.

RFM is legally prohibited from accepting and processing your application unless the identification checks have been completed.

For further information about these changes, or if you have any questions about what is required from you, please contact our Client Services Officers on **1800 026 665**.

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