

Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. Lifeline Form

Initial Lifeline Application (must include proof of eligibility)

Annual Lifeline Recertification (return within 30 days to keep Lifeline)

Initial Application Only: If you have Lifeline (free or reduced phone service) with another company, do you give Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. permission to transfer the Lifeline service? *You will lose the discount with the other company.**

Yes, transfer my Lifeline service

No, do not transfer my Lifeline service

I do not currently have Lifeline with another company

SECTION 1 - Applicant Information

The Applicant is the person who has telephone service with the telephone company.

First Name*

Middle Name/Initial

Last Name*

Date of Birth*

Last 4-Digits of SSN*

Phone Number

Email Address

Residential Street Address (No PO Boxes)*

Unit #

City*

State*

Zip Code*

Is your residential address permanent?*

Yes

No

Mailing Address (if different)

Unit #

City

State

Zip Code

Eligible Person's Information. Only complete this part if the person who qualifies for Lifeline is not the Applicant.

First Name

Last Name

Date of Birth

Last 4-Digits of SSN

Relationship to Applicant

SECTION 2 - Eligibility Information

I certify that I, my dependent, or my household receives assistance from at least one of the programs listed below, or that my total household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, and if this is an Initial Application, that I have provided proof of eligibility.*

2014 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (annual household income before tax)

1 person up to \$15,755 per year 2 people up to \$21,236 3 people up to 26,717 4 people up to \$32,198 5 or more people - add \$5,481 for each extra person

Select only one

Federal Public Housing Assistance or Section 8

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

Medicaid

Temporary Assistance For Needy Families (TANF)

National School Lunch free lunch program

Total Household Income at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines

If you checked **Total Household Income** above, provide the number of people in your household.

SECTION 3 - Certification

By signing below, I certify, under penalty of perjury, that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge AND that:

*My household receives only one Lifeline-supported service, and to the best of my knowledge, no one in my household receives Lifeline from another telephone company. *I understand that I must notify the telephone company within 30 days if: (1) I move to a new address, (2) I, or the eligible person in my household, no longer meets the program or income eligibility criteria, (3) my household receives more than one Lifeline discounted telephone, or (4) my household, for any reason, no longer meets the criteria to receive Lifeline support, and that I may be penalized for failing to make the above notifications. *I give the telephone company permission to release to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) or its agent any records required to confirm that my household only receives one Lifeline benefit. If USAC finds that my household receives more than one Lifeline benefit, USAC will notify the telephone companies, and I will have to select one service and I will be de-enrolled from the other. *I understand that I must recertify my Lifeline eligibility every year and that I will lose my Lifeline benefit if I do not recertify each year. *I understand that Lifeline is a government program and I may be punished if I knowingly provide false or untrue information to receive Lifeline. Punishment may include being fined, imprisoned, or barred from the Lifeline program.

Signature*

Date*

Send the completed form and proof of eligibility (if this is an Initial Application) to:

MAIL: Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. PO Box 249, Laurens, SC 29360

FAX: 864-682-3131om

Lifeline is a federal benefit that makes monthly telephone service more affordable for eligible households. Your household may receive Lifeline on one wireless OR one home telephone, but not both. Your household may not receive the Lifeline benefit from more than one telephone company. For the purpose of Lifeline, a household is an individual or any group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income or expenses. You may not transfer your Lifeline discount to another person, even if he or she is eligible. You may lose your Lifeline benefit and may be prosecuted by the United States government if you violate the one-per-household rule or otherwise make false statements to receive Lifeline.

For Office Use Only: Type of Proof _____ Date Reviewed _____ Reviewed by _____ Benefit Transfer? Yes No Household Worksheet? Yes No Date NLAD Queried _____