



SCHEDULE OF RESIDENT FEES AND CHARGES: FROM 20 MARCH 2012

**Australian Government
Department of Health and Ageing**

Fee/Charge/Thresholds	Rates	
Maximum Basic Daily Fee¹		
- Standard Resident contribution ² -- includes respite residents	up to \$41.71	
- Protected resident contribution ²	up to \$38.07	
- Phased Resident Contribution ²	up to \$40.72	
- Non-Standard Resident Contribution ²	up to \$47.41	
<p><i>Residents who were in a hostel on 30 September 1997 and who are NOT currently at a home that was a nursing home before 1 October 1997 will receive a reduction of 80 cents per day to their basic daily fee.</i></p>		
Phased Basic Daily Fee Income Threshold³		
	Single	Each member of a couple
- Fortnightly private income equal to or more than	\$396.10	\$378.10
Maximum Daily Income Tested Fee		
	up to \$67.04	
Income tested fees are calculated at 5/12 th of total assessable income over the income tested fee thresholds per fortnight.	Income Tested Fee Thresholds	
	Single	Each member of a couple
Standard	\$873.10	\$855.10
Non-Standard	\$873.10	\$855.10
Protected	\$773.60	\$755.60
Phased	\$844.74	\$826.74
Pensioner allowable limit for Accommodation bonds		
Residents who initially entered care prior to 20 March 2008 and agree to roll over a bond of more than 9 times the annual single age pension.	\$162,500	
Minimum Assets Amount		
A resident must be left with this amount when calculating the maximum accommodation bond.	\$40,500	
Asset Cut-off Level		
- for fully supported ³ resident status	\$40,500	
- for partially supported ³ resident status	\$108,266.40	

Interest Rates	
Maximum Permissible Interest Rate	
For accommodation bond agreements	
- for all new residents from 20 March 2012 – 31 March 2012	8.62%
- for all new residents from 1 April 2012 - 30 June 2012	8.37%
For accommodation charge agreements	
- for all new residents from 20 March 2012 – 30 June 2012	6%
Base Interest Rate	
For accommodation bond agreements	
- for all new residents from 20 March 2012 – 30 June 2012	5%
Maximum Daily Accommodation Charge⁴	
Maximum Daily Accommodation Charge for new entrants to residential aged care 20 March 2012 – 19 September 2012⁵	
- for fully supported residents	N/A
- non-supported residents, if their assets at entry are at least \$108,266.40	\$32.58
- supported residents, if their assets at entry are equal to or less than \$108,266.40	calculated amount ⁶
Maximum Daily Accommodation Charge for pre 20 March 2008 residents who enter your home during the period 20 March 2012 – 19 September 2012⁷	
- for concessional residents and charge exempt residents	N/A
Residents who first entered residential aged care between 1/7/2004 – 19/3/2008.	
- assisted residents, if their assets at entry are at least \$62,254	\$11.92
- assisted residents, if their assets at entry are less than \$62,254	calculated amount ³
- other residents, if their assets at entry are at least \$78,497	\$20.82
- other residents, if their assets at entry are less than \$78,497	calculated amount ³
Residents who first entered residential aged care before 1/7/2004⁸	
- assisted residents, if their assets at entry are at least \$57,108	\$9.10
- assisted residents, if their assets at entry are less than \$57,108	calculated amount ³
- other residents, if assets at entry are at least \$72,821	\$17.71
- other residents, if assets at entry are less than \$72,821	calculated amount ³
Pensioner Supplement	\$7.47
Deeming Thresholds and rates from 20 March 2012	
- Threshold (single)	\$44,600
- Threshold (couple – combined)	\$74,400
- Lower rate	3%
- Higher rate	4.5%
Maximum monthly retention amount (for bonds in excess of \$38,160)	\$318.00

1. Residents in designated remote areas may be asked to pay an additional \$1.06 per day (See section 4 page 135 of the Residential Care Manual).

2. See Information Sheet 12 – Basic Daily Fees for Residential Aged Care.

3. Contact the Department on 1800 900 554.

4. From 20 March 2008, accommodation charges are capped, even if a resident moves from one home to another, provided that there is not a break in care of more than 28 days (excluding leave).

5. Rate remains unchanged for resident's stay in the one home, regardless of annual indexation of the maximum rate for new entrants.

6 The Department of Health and Ageing sends letters to advise amount (does not include flexible care residents).

7. And who haven't left permanent residential aged care for more than 28 days before entering care after 20 March 2008.

8. Accommodation charge limited to a maximum period of five years and is fixed at date of entry even if they have a break in care of more than 28 days.

Previous Schedules of Fees and Charges can be found on the Ageingweb website at:

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/ageing-archive-feesinfo-0112.htm>