



SCHEDULE OF RESIDENT FEES AND CHARGES: FROM 20 MARCH 2009

Fee/Charge	Residents who entered care on or before 19 March 2008. Rates from 20 March 2009	Residents who entered care from 20 March 2008 ⁴ Rates from 20 March 2009
Maximum Basic Daily Fee¹		
- all respite residents (pensioners and non-pensioners)	up to \$33.41	up to \$33.41
- other residents who receive a full or part means-tested Australian pension ²	up to \$33.41	up to \$33.41
- other non-pensioner residents ³	up to \$41.61	up to \$33.41
<i>The following fees apply to 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.</i>		
- residents receiving full or part means-tested Australian pension ²	up to \$32.61	\$32.61
- non-pensioners ³	up to \$40.81	\$32.61
- residents who are currently receiving care in the same hostel where they were living on 30 September 1997 and who are paying 'grandparented' variable fees.	Agreed amount of fees, less any allowance for rent assistance (until the prescribed basic daily fee is greater than the agreed amount).	
Maximum Daily Income Tested Fee		
- residents who receive a full means-tested Australian pension	N/A	N/A
- residents receiving a part means-tested Australian pension	up to \$25.88	up to \$25.88
- non-pensioner residents	up to \$58.62	up to \$58.96
Minimum Assets Amount A resident must be left with this amount when calculating the maximum accommodation bond.		\$36,000*
Asset Cut-off Level*		
- for fully supported ⁵ resident status	\$36,000*	
- for partially supported ⁵ resident status	\$91,910.40*	

*These limits apply for residents who first enter care on or after 20 March 2009.
Please contact the Aged Care Information Line on 1800 500 853 for asset limits that apply before 20 March 2008

Maximum Permissible Interest Rate	
- for accommodation bond agreements (for all new residents from 1 April – 30 June 2009)	7.16%
- for accommodation charge agreements (for all new residents from 20 March 2009)	4%

Maximum Accommodation Charge for new entrants on or after 20 March 2009⁶	
- for fully supported residents	N/A
Residents who first entered residential aged care from 20/3/2009¹⁰	
:non-supported residents , if their assets at entry are at least \$91,910.40	
- who are not in receipt of a means-tested Australian pension	\$26.88
- who are in receipt of a means-tested Australian pension	\$23.22
:supported residents , if their assets at entry are equal to or less than \$91,910.40	calculated amount ⁷

1. Residents in designated remote areas may be asked to pay an additional \$1.06 per day (See section 7.3.9 of the Residential Care Manual)
2. 'Pensioner' maximum rate also applies to blind pensioners and non-pensioner residents who have a dependent child
3. 'Non-pensioner' maximum rate may also apply for pre 20 March 2008 pensioners who agree to pay a bond above the 'pensioner allowable limit'. For information please contact the Department on 1800 500 853.
4. Including pre 20 March 2008 residents who leave permanent care for more than 28 days.
5. See Residential Care Manual
6. Rate remains unchanged for resident's stay in aged care, regardless of annual indexation of the maximum rate for new entrants. For further information regarding the maximum charge for pre 20 March 2008 residents, including those who have moved, please contact the Department on 1800 500 853.
7. As advised by the Department of Health and Ageing.
8. And who haven't left permanent residential aged care for more than 28 days before entering care after 20 March 2008.
9. Accommodation charge limited to a maximum period of five years and is fixed at date of entry.
10. 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).