

Draft Cost Recovery Implementation Statement: Fees for radiocommunications, telecommunications and broadcasting services

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Introduction

1.1 Purpose of this Cost Recovery Implementation Statement

This Cost Recovery Implementation Statement (CRIS) provides information on how the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) implements cost recovery for its radiocommunications, telecommunications and broadcasting fees for service. Attachment A outlines these fees.

We are required to prepare and publish a CRIS under the [Australian Government Charging Framework](#) (the Charging Framework) and the [Australian Government Cost Recovery Guidelines](#) (the Cost Recovery Guidelines). The CRIS also includes financial performance for these activities and contains financial forecasts over the 2023–24 and 3 forward years (financial years 2024–25 to 2026–27) – see Table 3. We will maintain the CRIS until the activities or cost recovery arrangements for the activities have been discontinued.

1.2 Background and description of the regulatory charging activity

The ACMA is a statutory authority within the Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts portfolio of the Australian Government. We are Australia's regulator for broadcasting, radiocommunications, telecommunications and interactive gambling, among other functions.

Our activities include:

- > regulating telecommunications and broadcasting services and datacasting services
- > managing access to radiofrequency spectrum bands through radiocommunications licence arrangements, and resolving competing demands for that spectrum through price-based allocation methods
- > planning the availability of segments of radiofrequency spectrum bands used by broadcasting services, and managing access to that spectrum through broadcasting licence arrangements
- > regulating compliance with the relevant legislation, licence conditions, codes of practice, standards, service guarantees and other safeguards
- > promoting and facilitating industry self-regulatory and co-regulatory solutions to emerging issues
- > facilitating the provision of community information to promote informed decisions about communications products and services
- > reporting on matters relating to the communications industry, including its performance
- > representing Australia's communications interests internationally
- > advising the government on specific matters from time to time.

The policy objective of recovering service costs is to ensure that those who require and use government services meet the costs of those activities. We reviewed our existing activities to assess the ongoing requirement for the activity, the appropriateness of the current level and application of fees, and our standard and special hourly rates. The review has been undertaken in the context of existing legislation that has established the ACMA's powers to recover the costs of our activities.

Following the review, we propose to maintain our special and standard hourly rates and fee amounts at the current rates implemented on 1 October 2022.

1.3 Stakeholders

Table 1 provides a list of relevant stakeholders for radiocommunications, telecommunications and broadcasting services.

For the activities listed in Attachment A, the service users receive a service where the ACMA's activities can be directly attributed to the benefit that the service user receives. Therefore, it is appropriate that the service user pay a fee for the service.

Table 1: Key stakeholders

Activity group	Type of service	Key stakeholders
Radiocommunications	Apparatus licences	Community, commercial and national broadcasters
		Individuals (for amateur and marine services)
		Government entities
		Commercial organisations (mining, construction, communications companies)
		Telecommunications carriers
	Spectrum licences	Major telecommunications carriers
		Government entities
	Device testing	Federal/state police forces
	Examinations	Amateur radio operators
		Marine radio operators
	Other services	Satellite operators
		Australian search and rescue service
		Commercial and community organisations
Individuals		
Telecommunications	Telecommunications carriers	
	Telecommunications carriage service providers	
Broadcasting services	Commercial broadcasters	
	Community broadcasters	
	National broadcasters	

2. Policy and statutory authority to cost recover

2.1 Government policy approval to charge

As an outcome of the prior Department of Communications and the Arts Portfolio Charging Review in the 2019–20 financial year, and more recently the amendments made to the *Radiocommunications Act 1992* by the *Radiocommunications Legislation Amendment (Reform and Modernisation) Act 2020*, the Australian Government confirmed the appropriateness of the cost recovery arrangements for the fee-related activities listed in Attachment A.

2.2 Statutory authority to impose cost recovery charges

Under section 60 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005* (ACMA Act), the ACMA may, by written instrument, make determinations fixing charges for services provided by the ACMA and any matter in relation to which expenses are incurred by the ACMA under specified pieces of legislation. Specific provisions of the *Radiocommunications Act 1992*, the *Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Charges) Act 1997* and the *Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act 1997* also empower us to make instruments to impose charges.

We propose no changes to the instruments listed in Table 2 since no changes to the current fees specified in those instruments is proposed.

Table 2: List of legal instruments outlining fees for service

No.	Determination	Made under
1	Radiocommunications (Charges) Determination 2022	Subsection 60(1) of the ACMA Act
2	Radiocommunications (Digital Radio Multiplex Transmitter Licence – Application Fee) Determination 2022	Paragraphs 102C(2)(b) and 102D(2)(b) of the Radiocommunications Act
3	Telecommunications (Charges) Determination 2022	Subsection 60(1) of the ACMA Act
4	Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Charges) (Application) Determination 2022	Subsection 9(1) of the Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Charges) Act
5	Broadcasting (Charges) Determination 2017	Subsection 60(1) of the ACMA Act

3. Cost recovery model

3.1 Outputs and business processes of the activity

The ACMA's activities for radiocommunications, telecommunications and broadcasting services that are subject to charging arrangements are outlined in Attachment A, which provides the current fees and the relevant descriptions.

3.1.1 Radiocommunications regulation, planning and licensing

The Radiocommunications (Charges) Determination 2022 (Radcom Determination) specifies the charges for a range of radiocommunications activities, which are grouped under the following output categories.

Issue, transfer and renewal of radiocommunications licences

We allocate or assign access to radiofrequency spectrum through one of 3 types of licence:

- > apparatus
- > spectrum
- > class.

The Radcom Determination includes charges for the issue, renewal or variation of apparatus licences and certain charges associated with spectrum licences.

- > **Class licences:** class licences authorise the operation of radiocommunications devices where coordination of individual transmitters is not required to manage interference risks. Devices that are currently subject to class licensing in Australia include mobile phone handsets, cordless telephones, and a range of other low-power devices, such as wi-fi transmitters, garage door openers and wireless identification tags. Our class-licensing arrangements provide permission for each operator of such equipment to operate the equipment without the need to obtain an individual licence. Accordingly, class licences are excluded from cost recovery arrangements.
- > **Apparatus licences:** apparatus licences are issued to authorise the operation of radiocommunications devices. The fees applicable to the activities involved in issuing, renewing or varying apparatus licences are outlined in Part 2 of Schedule 1 to the Radcom Determination. The types of services that may operate under the apparatus licensing regime include mobile broadband, emergency services, amateur radio, satellite, broadcasting and land mobile. As licence applicants receive a direct benefit from the right to use radiocommunications devices and/or supply services, we consider these activities are appropriate to be subject to cost recovery arrangements.
- > **Spectrum licences:** spectrum licences are tradeable and technology-flexible (that is, the licence is not normally limited to any particular technology, system or service) and provide the right to access specified spectrum within a defined geographical area. Spectrum licences are mainly allocated by auction or, in limited circumstances, allocated for a pre-determined price.

We recover the cost of part of our spectrum management activities through the fees applicable to certain activities associated with spectrum licensing, as outlined in Part 5 of Schedule 1 to the Radcom Determination.

Device testing

Due to amendments made to the [Radiocommunications \(Compliance Labelling – Devices\) Notice 2014](#), the ACMA no longer provides this service on a commercial basis, however a fee (charged at a special hourly rate B (see Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Radcom Determination)) has been retained to provide coverage for any special circumstances where we might be required to undertake testing in the foreseeable future.

Examinations

Certain licence types – marine and amateur – require the operator of the licensed transmitter to hold a certificate of proficiency. The Radiocommunications Act provides for the ACMA to conduct examinations for the purpose of issuing a certificate of proficiency.

There are 2 different types of examinations:

- > to issue an amateur radio operator's certificate of proficiency
- > to issue a maritime radio operator's certificate of proficiency.

Both of these examination types are undertaken by a third party under ACMA delegation, complemented by a deed of agreement with the ACMA.

In a situation where the external service provider is not in a position to deliver the service, we may provide the service. To cater for this possibility, we will continue to maintain relevant fees (see Table 1 of Part 4 of Schedule 1 to the Radcom Determination) for the service.

Interference investigations

We have adopted a policy for the management of interference to terrestrial television and radio broadcast reception using an evidence-based approach. According to the policy, a complainant is required to provide evidence to the ACMA to prove that their broadcast reception problems are not caused by faulty installations or by the viewer attempting to receive a broadcast signal from outside the coverage area.

To better focus our investigation activities, there is a cost recovery fee (see item 7.2.7 of Table 2 of Part 7 of Schedule 1 to the Radcom Determination) for investigating a complaint of interference to television or radio broadcasting reception or the operation of a device. It is to be applied where:

- > the source of the interference is wholly or mainly under the control of the person making the complaint about the interference (the complainant), and
- > the complainant has the necessary skills or expertise to diagnose the source of the interference.

Satellite filing and coordination work

The filing and coordination of satellite networks with the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is considered a spectrum management function under the ACMA Act. These activities are being carried out in accordance with the [Australian procedures for the coordination and notification of satellite systems](#). The fees for these services are contained in Part 6 of Schedule 1 to the Radcom Determination (see Attachment A, Ref 7 to 10).

Emergency locating service

This service essentially refers to locating EPIRBs (emergency position indicating radio beacons), which are used by vessels of all kinds in distress to signal their location, or locating personal beacons designed to be attached to a life jacket or carried by an individual. This service is provided only to the Australian Maritime Safety Authority

(AMSA) for its search and rescue operations under a Memorandum of Understanding between the ACMA and AMSA. A fee for these services is charged at a special hourly rate A (specified in item 7.2.4 of Table 2 of Part 7 of Schedule 1 to the Radcom Determination. See also Attachment A, Ref 65).

Other radiocommunications activities

We also issue duplicate instruments, letters of confirmation and copies of licences (see Table 1 of Part 7 of Schedule 1 to the Radcom Determination). Permits for non-standard and unlabelled devices are now issued under the Radiocommunications Equipment (General) Rules 2021 made by the ACMA under the Radiocommunications Act. The fees for these services are set out in Table 2 of Part 3 of Schedule 1 to the Radcom Determination.

Digital radio multiplex transmitter licensing activity

Digital radio services are licensed, planned and operated under the provisions of the *Broadcasting Services Act 1992* (the BSA) and the Radiocommunications Act. The legislation sets the statutory basis for spectrum planning for digital radio, the allocation of digital radio multiplex transmitter (DRMT) licences and the access regime for multiplex capacity.

Unlike analog broadcasting, where each broadcaster has its own transmitter, in radio broadcasting using Digital Audio Broadcasting plus (DAB+) technology, individual broadcasters aggregate or multiplex their content onto one or more multiplex transmitters, using digital compression technology.

The foundation category 1 and category 2 DRMT licence application fees have been set to reflect the effort required to process and issue these licences. The fees are set out in sections 6 and 7 of the Radiocommunications (Digital Radio Multiplex Transmitter Licence – Application Fee) Determination 2022 (Radio Multiplex Determination) (see Attachment A, Ref 107 and 108).

3.1.2 Telecommunications regulation, planning and licensing

Issue of licences and permits

Costs incurred by the ACMA in regulating the telecommunications industry are largely recovered under the *Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Charges) Act 1997* through the imposition of an annual carrier licence charge. However, a number of services to the telecommunications industry are recovered through fees set out in the Telecommunications (Charges) Determination 2022 (Telco Determination) (refer to Attachment A, Ref 109 to 110 and 116 to 130).

These include applications for:

- > a nominated carrier declaration (item 1.1 of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Telco Determination)
- > a written statement under paragraph 408 (5) (a) of the *Telecommunications Act 1997* (Telco Act) in relation to labelling certification (item 7.1 of Part 7 of Schedule 1 to the Telco Determination)
- > a facility installation permit, including those relating to a public inquiry (Part 3 and Part 4 of Schedule 1 to the Telco Determination)
- > a submarine cable protection zone (declaration, variation or revocation) (Part 5 of Schedule 1 to the Telco Determination)
- > submarine cable installation permits (Part 6 of Schedule 1 to the Telco Determination).

The fee for a carrier licence is set out under the Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Charges) (Application) Determination 2022 (Telco Carrier Licence Determination) (refer Attachment A, Ref 131).

Numbering activities

Following a competitive tender process in 2014, the Australian Government awarded ZOAK Pty Ltd (ZOAK) the contract to provide number allocation and administrative services for Australian telephone numbers via the Numbering System. The initial contract was for 7 years, from 3 August 2015 to 2 August 2022, and has been extended for another 2 years to 2 August 2024.

The ACMA imposes charges for certain numbering transactions in the Numbering System under the *Telecommunications Numbering Charges Act 1997* (the Numbering Charges Act) and the ACMA Act.

This CRIS relates to charges set by the Telco Determination, made under section 60 of the ACMA Act, and includes charges for carriage service provider registrations, smartnumber account registrations and geographic number allocations (see Attachment A, Ref 111 to 115).

The Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) (Allocation Charge) Determination 2015, made under the Numbering Charges Act, covers all other number allocations charges, which are not required to comply with the Commonwealth Cost Recovery Policy and are considered a general taxation charge (see the Explanatory Memorandum to the Telecommunications Bill 1997).

3.1.3 Broadcasting regulation, planning and licensing

Issue of broadcasting licences

We issue licences that authorise the provision of commercial, community, international and subscription broadcasting services. The fees for these services are separate from the annual Commercial Broadcasting Tax established under the *Commercial Broadcasting (Tax) Act 2017*.

The administrative activities involved in the issue of international broadcasting licences, datacasting licences, subscription television broadcast licences and commercial broadcasting licences, as well as the giving of specified opinions by the ACMA under the BSA, are specified in Schedule 1 to the Broadcasting (Charges) Determination 2017 (Broadcasting Determination) and are listed in Attachment A (Ref 132 to 141).

Issue of community radio broadcasting licences

These activities include the allocation, renewal and transfer of long-term community broadcasting licences and the allocation of temporary community radio broadcasting licences under Parts 6 and 6A of the BSA. The licensing arrangements for community broadcasting services aim to enhance the delivery of information and entertainment to local communities across Australia. Imposing a charge for these activities would act as a disincentive to provide an important service by the community broadcasting sector, which operates on a non-profit basis and is heavily reliant on volunteers. Therefore, we have formed the view that these activities should be funded from appropriation and are not cost recovery activities.

Provision of opinions, industry monitoring and compliance activities

Provision of opinions by the ACMA under sections 21 and 74 of the BSA are subject to cost recovery charges. Opinions given under section 21 provide clarity to broadcasters about the category of broadcasting service their service falls within. Section 74 opinions advise an applicant whether a person is in a position to exercise control of a commercial television broadcasting licence, a commercial radio broadcasting licence,

a satellite subscription television broadcasting licence, a newspaper or a company. These activities are included in Part 2 of Schedule 1 to the Broadcasting Determination and Attachment A, Ref 138 and 139.

Other activities include monitoring compliance with licence conditions, standards and codes of practice. These include compliance with the anti-siphoning rules, internet industry codes of practice, children's television standards and disclosure standards. Currently these activities are not supported for cost recovery. These services will continue to be provided without specific charge.

Broadcasting investigations activities

These activities relate to audiences and the general community, rather than just the individual who has initiated a complaint or an individual licensee. It may also not be possible to precisely identify the entity or group of entities that create the regulatory need for these activities to develop a fee. Therefore, it is considered appropriate that the activity continue to be funded through appropriation.

3.2 Costs of performing ACMA activities

The costs incurred by the ACMA in executing its functions include direct, support and overhead costs.

Direct costs are those costs that can be directly attributed to the ACMA's service provision. Direct costs include direct staff salaries and other expenses (for example, contractors, consultants, suppliers, office consumables, travel) that are incurred by the operational areas in carrying out the direct activities.

Support costs are the costs incurred by the ACMA's support service areas, such as information technology, finance, human resources, facilities and legal. Support costs include all support staff salaries and other expenses (for example, contractors, consultants, suppliers, depreciation, occupancy) incurred by the relevant support areas. Overhead costs are the costs incurred by the ACMA relating to depreciation and property operating expenses.

Support and overheads costs are allocated to direct activities using appropriate cost drivers (that is, average staffing levels).

3.2.1 Hourly rates

The standard hourly and additional or special ACMA hourly rates are based on the net cost of services incurred by the ACMA in executing its functions for the 2020–21 financial year. As no significant changes have occurred to our organisational and cost structures in 2021–22, we are proposing to maintain our special and standard hourly rates as per the previous rates implemented on 1 October 2022.

Standard hourly rate

The ACMA's standard hourly rate of \$226 was established by dividing our net cost of service by the total number of productive hours worked by staff providing direct services, including an attribution of all support and overhead costs.

The standard hourly rate has been consistently applied to all radiocommunications, telecommunications and broadcasting fees, except those related to radiocommunications field operations, interference investigations and device testing (see section 9 of the Radcom Determination, section 9 of the Telco Determination and item 2 of Schedule 1 to the Broadcasting Determination).

Additional or special ACMA hourly rates

- > **Radiocommunications field operations and interference investigations (special hourly rate A):** the special hourly rate (\$255) relates to field operations and interference investigations and was established for this activity as it involves a large operating cost, particularly fixed costs associated with operating vehicles fitted with technical equipment (See section 9 and items 7.2.3, 7.2.4 and 7.2.7 of Part 7 of Schedule 1 to the Radcom Determination and Attachment A, Ref 64, 65 and 73).
- > **Testing of radiocommunications devices (special hourly rate B):** currently the ACMA only provides this service, free of charge, to the Australian Federal Police and state/territory police. If required in the future by a third party, a special hourly rate B calculated at \$620 will be applied for device testing, (see section 9 and subsection 3 of the Radcom Determination and Attachment A, Ref 1).

3.3 Design of cost recovery fees

As part of the last Portfolio Charging Review, a bottom-up activity-based costing (ABC) process was undertaken to identify and document the underlying business processes and staffing effort required to provide each fee for service.

The calculation of fees is based on the ACMA's hourly rate multiplied by the estimated time taken to conduct each activity. If the business processes and staffing effort were regular and consistent, a flat fee was applied across those activities. If it was irregular and/or inconsistent, a variable fee based on the actual time taken to deliver the service was applied. In addition, some broadcasting fees included other specific costs, such as the costs of gazettal and public notifications for issuing licences, where appropriate.

This methodology, applied to all the fees outlined in Attachment A, has not changed from those implemented on 1 October 2022.

4. Risk assessment

The ACMA has carried out a risk assessment for this cost recovery arrangement during the review process, based on the assessment of the criteria in the [Charging Risk Assessment](#).

The overall rating given to this cost recovery arrangement is medium. The type of cost recovery charges are fees only. There are no complexities involved with this charging mechanism as the fees for the services will continue to be charged using the current methodology and at the current rates. There is minimal or no change estimated in the total annual revenue for the activities.

5. Stakeholder engagement

To maintain an active involvement with industry, we have a long-standing practice of consulting with industry regarding changes to our fees and charges. Consistent with past practice, we are providing an opportunity for stakeholders to provide feedback on the CRIS and the fees outlined in Attachment A.

Following this consultation, the CRIS will be updated with relevant feedback and approval sought from the Minister for Communications before it is published on the ACMA website.

Ongoing stakeholder engagement

We will review our existing fees and hourly rates annually. We will continue to consult with industry before the implementation of any changes to existing fees or any new charges being applied.

6. Financial estimates

Table 3 provides the estimated cost recovery revenue and expenses for the financial years 2022–23 to 2026–27.

Table 3: Estimated cost recovery revenue and expenses

Fee item	Estimated actuals 2022–23* \$million	Budget year 2023–24 \$million	FE 1 2024–25 \$million	FE 2 2025–26 \$million	FE 3 2026–27 \$million
Radiocommunications fees	2.98	2.98	2.98	2.98	2.98
Telecommunications fees	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14
Broadcasting fees	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02
Total revenue	3.14	3.14	3.14	3.14	3.14
Total expenses	3.14	3.14	3.14	3.14	3.14
Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Note: The 2022–23 financial year amounts are based on year-to-date actuals to 30 April 2023 and estimates for the 2-month period ending 30 June 2023.*

Revenue and expenses estimated actuals for 2022–23 is reflective of the anticipated decrease following the implementation of the revised fees on 1 October 2022, in comparison to 2021–22 actuals, particularly in relation to radiocommunications and broadcasting fees. There was a slight increase in revenue relating to telecommunications fees, due mainly to an increase in demand for nominated carrier declarations. Forward estimates have been kept in-line with current demand.

7A. Financial performance

Table 4 provides historical revenue and expenses for the past 5 financial years.

Table 4: Actual cost recovery revenue and expenses

Fee item	2017–18 \$million	2018–19 \$million	2019–20 \$million	2020–21 \$million	2021–22 \$million
Radiocommunications fees	4.37	4.14	3.38	3.43	3.18
Telecommunications fees	0.18	0.21	0.13	0.18	0.12
Broadcasting fees	0.03	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.03
Total revenue	4.58	4.37	3.54	3.65	3.33
Total expenses	4.58	4.37	3.54	3.65	3.33
Balance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

7B. Non-financial performance

We are responsible for the regulation of broadcasting, radiocommunications, telecommunications and some online content. Our key performance indicators for our deliverables are:

- > Spectrum users can access spectrum on terms and conditions appropriate to meet their needs, subject to other users and government policy objectives.
- > Licences are allocated within statutory timeframes and the outsourcing of the numbering function realises a reduction in administrative costs.
- > Interference complaints are resolved within published timeframes and in a cost-effective manner.
- > Law enforcement, emergency and national security service providers are appropriately and reasonably supported by the ACMA and telecommunications industry.
- > Telecommunications safeguards, including those associated with Australia's new broadband network, protect the interests of citizens and small businesses who purchase or use telecommunications services.
- > Broadcasting safeguards reflect community standards and citizens have effective and accessible avenues of complaint for broadcast content that breaches community standards.
- > Internet providers, critical infrastructure providers and other organisations have access to information that enables them to assist citizens and small businesses to interact securely and safely with the digital networked economy.

The actual performance for the ACMA's deliverables for the 2021–22 financial year is published in our [Annual report 2021–22](#).

8. Key forward dates and events

The key forward events and dates for this CRIS update are set out in Table 5.

Table 5: Key forward dates and events

Key events	Indicative date
Next scheduled update of financial outcomes	July 2024
Next scheduled portfolio charging review	2025–26

9. CRIS approval and change register

Table 6: Change register

Date	Description	Approved by	Comments
August 2023	Approval of the 2023–24 CRIS	Minister for Communications	
July 2023	Certification of the 2023–24 CRIS	ACMA Chair	
5 June – 7 July 2023	Consultation on the draft CRIS		
1 September 2022	Approval of the 2022–23 CRIS	Minister for Communications	Changes to the ACMA fees for radiocommunications, telecommunications and broadcasting services and to remake relevant charges determinations
11 August 2022	Certification of the 2022–23 CRIS	ACMA Chair	
27 June – 25 July 2022	Consultation for 4 weeks on the draft CRIS		
27 March 2017	Changes made to interference investigation activity description in sections 3.1.1 and 3.3.3 of the CRIS and activity 166 of Attachment A of the CRIS	ACMA Authority	Changes to the ACMA fees for radiocommunications, telecommunications and broadcasting services to remake relevant charges determinations, which were due to sunset on 1 April 2017
23 March 2017	Approval of the updated CRIS – version 2	Minister for Communications	
21 February 2017	Certification of the updated CRIS – version 2	ACMA Chair	
2 July 2015	Approval to the addendum 1	Minister for Communications	Changes to fees for telecommunications numbering activities
24 June 2015	Certification of the addendum 1	ACMA Chair	
2 October 2014	Approval of the CRIS – version 1	Minister for Communications	
25 September 2014	Certification of the CRIS – version 1	ACMA Chair	

Glossary

ACMA	Australian Communications and Media Authority
ACMA Act	<i>Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005</i>
AMSA	Australian Maritime Safety Authority
BSA	<i>Broadcasting Services Act 1992</i>
CBT	Commercial Broadcasting (Tax) 2017
CRIS	Cost Recovery Implementation Statement
DRMT	Digital Radio Multiplex Transmitter
EPIRB	Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon
EROU	Enhanced Rights of Use
ITU	International Telecommunication Union
Numbering Charges Act	<i>Telecommunications (Numbering Charges) Act 1997</i>
Numbering Plan	Telecommunications Numbering Plan 2015
Radiocommunications Act	<i>Radiocommunications Act 1992</i>
Radiocommunications Determination	Radiocommunications (Charges) Determination 2022

Attachment A – Fees for the ACMA’s cost recovery activities

Ref	Fee type	Radiocommunication (Charges) Determination 2022	Description	Fee
Radiocommunications (Charges) Determination 2022				
1	Device testing	Sch 1 Part 1 Table 1 (Item 1.1.1)	Testing (on request by a person other than a member of a police force of a State or Territory or the Australian Federal Police) of radiocommunications devices (other than a device that is subject to a permanent ban) for compliance with the Radiocommunications Act and instruments made under that Act.	Special hourly rate B
2	Documents	Sch 1 Part 7 Table 1 (Item 7.1.1)	Issuing a duplicate document of any kind or, where such duplicate document cannot be issued, a letter of confirmation.	\$38.00
3	Examinations	Sch 1 Part 4 Table 1 (Item 4.1.1)	Conducting an examination of a kind specified in paragraph 122(1)(b) of the Radiocommunications Act in relation to the issue of a certificate of proficiency that relates to an: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > amateur licence (amateur advanced station); or > amateur licence (amateur standard station). 	\$490.00
4		Sch 1 Part 4 Table 1 (Item 4.1.2)	Conducting an examination of a kind specified in paragraph 122(1)(b) of the Radiocommunications Act in relation to the issue of a certificate of proficiency that relates to an amateur licence (amateur foundation station).	\$377.00
5		Sch 1 Part 4 Table 1 (Item 4.1.4)	Conducting an examination of a kind specified in paragraph 122(1)(b) of the Radiocommunications Act in relation to the issue of any of the following kinds of certificates of proficiency: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Marine Radio Operator’s Certificate of Proficiency; > Marine Radio Operator’s VHF Certificate of Proficiency; > Marine Satellite Communications Certificate of Endorsement. 	\$490.00

Ref	Fee type	Radiocommunication (Charges) Determination 2022	Description	Fee
6		Part 4 Table 1 (Item 4.1.3)	Conducting an examination for a single module of an examination of a kind specified in paragraph 122(1)(b) of the Radiocommunications Act in relation to the issue of a certificate of proficiency that relates to an: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > amateur licence (amateur advanced station); > amateur licence (amateur standard station); or > amateur licence (amateur foundation station). 	\$264.00
7	Satellite filing and coordination	Sch 1 Part 6 Table 1 (item 6.1.2)	Satellite filing application – completion of satellite filing assessment (including all work done after the initial assessment of the application and up to when the ACMA makes a decision on whether or not to file the application with the ITU) – where Australia has not previously filed a satellite system with the ITU for the applicant.	Hourly rate
8		Sch 1 Part 6 Table 1 (Item 6.1.3)	Assessing an application to file a satellite system with the ITU, consisting of work done during the period commencing upon receipt by the ACMA of an application to file a satellite system with the ITU and ending when the ACMA makes a decision on whether or not to file the application – where Australia has previously filed a satellite system with the ITU for the applicant.	Hourly rate
9		Sch 1 Part 6 Table 1 (Item 6.1.4)	Satellite system support work: work undertaken by the ACMA in support of existing or proposed Australian satellite systems (excluding any work done under items 6.1.1, 6.1.2 or 6.1.3).	Hourly rate
10		Sch 1 Part 6 Table 1 (Item 6.1.1)	Satellite filing application – initial assessment and consultation with applicant in relation to an application to file a satellite system with the ITU – where Australia has not previously filed a satellite system with the ITU for the applicant.	\$1,130.00
11	Assigned licences	Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.7 (a))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) aeronautical licence (aeronautical assigned system station). 	\$500.00 per spectrum access

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12		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.16)	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of an aircraft licence (aircraft assigned station), and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person.	\$500.00 per licence
13		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.10)	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of a narrowband area service station licence, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person.	\$565.00 per spectrum access
14		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.9 (b))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (b) earth licence (mobile earth station).	\$546.00 per spectrum access
15		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.9 (a))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (a) earth licence (fixed earth station).	\$546.00 per spectrum access
16		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.4 (a))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (a) fixed licence (point to multipoint station).	\$471.00 per spectrum access
17		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.4(c))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (c) fixed licence (point to multipoint – land mobile spectrum).	\$471.00 per spectrum access

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18		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.4 (b))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (b) fixed licence (point to multipoint system).	\$471.00 per spectrum access
19		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.4 (d))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (d) fixed licence (point to point station).	\$471.00 per spectrum access
20		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.4 (e))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (e) fixed licence (900MHz studio to transmitter link station).	\$471.00 per spectrum access
21		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.13 (d))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (d) fixed licence (point to point (self-coordinated) station).	\$471.00 per licence
22		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.13 (c))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (c) fixed licence (point to point (5.8 GHz band) station).	\$471.00 per licence

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23		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.5 (d))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (d) fixed licence (television outside broadcast station).	\$482.00 per spectrum access
24		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.14 (a))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (a) fixed licence (television outside broadcast system).	\$482.00 per licence
25		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.6 (a))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (a) land mobile licence (land mobile system 0–30 MHz).	\$490.00 per spectrum access
26		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.5 (a))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (a) land mobile licence (land mobile system greater than 30 MHz).	\$482.00 per spectrum access
27		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.5 (b))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (b) land mobile licence (CB repeater station).	\$482.00 per spectrum access

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28		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.2)	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of a land mobile licence (ambulatory station) where: (a) the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person; and (b) in considering the issue of the licence, the ACMA does not perform coordination procedures to minimise interference.	\$444.00 per spectrum access
29		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.3)	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of a land mobile licence (ambulatory station) or a land mobile licence (ambulatory system) where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person.	\$471.00 per spectrum access
30		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.6 (d))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (d) land mobile licence (paging system - interior paging).	\$490.00 per spectrum access
31		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.6 (c))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (c) land mobile licence (paging system - exterior).	\$490.00 per spectrum access
32		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.6 (b))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (b) land mobile licence (PABX cordless telephone service).	\$490.00 per spectrum access

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33		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.15 (a))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (a) maritime coast licence (major coast A station).	\$490.00 per licence
34		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.6 (e))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (e) maritime coast licence (limited coast assigned system).	\$490.00 per spectrum access
35		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.15 (b))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (b) maritime coast licence (major coast B station).	\$490.00 per licence
36		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.15 (d))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (d) maritime ship licence (ship station class B assigned).	\$490.00 per licence
37		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.15 (e))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (e) maritime ship licence (ship station class C assigned).	\$490.00 per licence
38		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.14 (b))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, and issuing it (if applicable),	\$482.00 per licence

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			where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (b) outpost licence (outpost assigned station).	
39		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.5 (c))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (c) radiodetermination licence.	\$482.00 per spectrum access
40		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.8)	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of a scientific licence (scientific assigned station), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person.	\$520.00 per spectrum access
41		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.18 (a))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (a) space licence.	\$576.00 per licence
42		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.18 (b))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (b) space receive licence.	\$576.00 per licence
43		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.15 (c))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (c) major coast receive licence.	\$490.00 per licence

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44		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.17)	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of an earth receive licence and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person.	\$546.00 per licence
45		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.7 (b))	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (b) fixed receive licence.	\$500.00 per spectrum access
46		Sch 1 Part 3 Table 1 (Item 3.1.1)	Consideration of an application for a provisional international broadcasting certificate made under section 131AE of Radiocommunications Act, and issuing it if applicable.	\$113.00
47		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.11)	Considering an application for the issue of an assigned apparatus licence under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act (other than a licence referred to in item 2.2.12) and issuing it (if applicable), where: (a) the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate; (b) the application is one of a group of 2 or more applications all of which relate to an event with a duration of less than 2 weeks; (c) all the applications in the group are made at the same time; (d) all the applications are processed using an abridged frequency coordination procedure; and (e) the licences are to be issued on the basis that the use of the licences: (i) is not to cause interference, and (ii) will not be afforded protection from interference caused by other services.	\$500.00 per licence

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48		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.12)	<p>Considering an application for the issue of an assigned apparatus licence under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act and issuing it (if applicable), where:</p> <p>(a) the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate;</p> <p>(b) the application is one of a group of 2 or more applications all of which relate to military or other defence manoeuvres involving simulated wartime operations carried out to train and evaluate personnel, that happen for a period of not more than 3 months;</p> <p>(c) all applications in the group are made at the same time;</p> <p>(d) all the applications are processed using an abridged frequency coordination procedure; and</p> <p>(e) the licences are to be issued on the basis that the use of the licences is not to cause interference, and will not be afforded protection from interference caused by other services.</p>	\$500.00 per licence
49		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 3 (Item 2.3.1)	Considering an application to participate in a price-based allocation of an HPON licence in accordance with the HPON Determination	\$471.00
50		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.7 (c))	<p>Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person:</p> <p>(c) broadcasting licence (high frequency).</p>	\$500.00 per spectrum access
51	Non-assigned licences	Sch 1 Part 2 Table 5 (Item 2.5.1 (a))	<p>Considering an application for the issue of any of the following non-assigned apparatus licences and issuing the licence (if applicable):</p> <p>(a) an amateur licence where the applicant holds any of the following kinds of certificates of proficiency:</p> <p>(i) Amateur Operator's Certificate of Proficiency (Advanced);</p> <p>(ii) Amateur Operator's Certificate of Proficiency (Standard);</p> <p>(iii) Amateur Operator's Certificate of Proficiency (Foundation).</p>	\$36.00

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52		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 5 (Item 2.5.1 (b))	Considering an application for the issue of any of the following non-assigned apparatus licences and issuing the licence (if applicable): (b) maritime coast licence (limited coast non-assigned station).	\$36.00
53		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 5 (Item 2.5.1 (c))	Considering an application for the issue of any of the following non-assigned apparatus licences and issuing the licence (if applicable): (c) maritime coast licence (limited coast marine rescue station).	\$36.00
54		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 5 (Item 2.5.1 (d))	Considering an application for the issue of any of the following non-assigned apparatus licences and issuing the licence (if applicable): (d) outpost licence (outpost non-assigned station).	\$36.00
55		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 5 (Item 2.5.1 (e))	Considering an application for the issue of any of the following non-assigned apparatus licences and issuing the licence (if applicable): (e) scientific licence (scientific non-assigned station).	\$36.00
56		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 5 (Item 2.5.1 (f))	Considering an application for the issue of any of the following non-assigned apparatus licences and issuing the licence (if applicable): (f) maritime ship licence (ship station class B non-assigned).	\$36.00
57		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 5 (Item 2.5.1 (g))	Considering an application for the issue of any of the following non-assigned apparatus licences and issuing the licence (if applicable): (g) maritime ship licence (ship station class C non-assigned).	\$36.00
58		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 5 (Item 2.5.1 (h))	Considering an application for the issue of any of the following non-assigned apparatus licences and issuing the licence (if applicable): (h) fixed licence (sound outside broadcast station).	\$36.00
59		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 5 (Item 2.5.1 (i))	Considering an application for the issue of any of the following non-assigned apparatus licences and issuing the licence (if applicable): (i) fixed licence (temporary fixed link station).	\$36.00

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60	Renewals	Sch 1 Part 2 Table 6 (Item 2.6.1)	<p>Considering an application for the renewal of an assigned apparatus or a non-assigned apparatus licence that does not include a renewal statement or a renewal application period statement and renewing it (if applicable), where:</p> <p>(a) the application for renewal;</p> <p>(b) payment of the charge specified in column 3; and</p> <p>(c) payment of the tax imposed on the issue of the licence under a Tax Act; are received while the licence is in force or within 60 days after the expiry date of the licence:</p> <p>(d) in the case of a fixed receive licence — for each frequency assigned, or requested for assignment, for the purpose of reception;</p> <p>(e) in the case of a broadcasting licence for the operation of a broadcast service station — per licence;</p> <p>(f) in the case of a fixed licence (point to point (self-coordinated)) station — per licence;</p> <p>(g) in the case of a fixed licence (point to point (5.8 GHz band) station) — per licence;</p> <p>(h) in the case of PTS licence (PMTS Class B) or PTS licence (PMTS Class C) – per licence;</p> <p>(i) for any other assigned licence — for each frequency assigned, or requested for assignment, for the purpose of transmission; and(j) for any other non-assigned licence – per licence.</p> <p>Note: Subsection 129(10) of the Radiocommunications Act specifies the circumstances in which an application for renewal is deemed to have been made.</p>	\$4.00
61		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 6 (Item 2.6.2)	<p>Considering an application for the renewal of an assigned apparatus or a non-assigned apparatus licence that includes a renewal statement or a renewal application period statement and renewing it (if applicable).</p> <p>Note: Subsection 129(10) of the Radiocommunications Act specifies the circumstances in which an application for renewal is deemed to have been made.</p>	Hourly rate

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62	General radiocommunications services	Sch 1 Part 7 Table 2 (Item 7.2.1)	The provision of radiofrequency assignment and licensing services, including the issuing of licences not otherwise specified in this instrument.	Hourly rate
63		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 2 (Item 7.2.2)	The provision of technical radiofrequency services, other than: (a) services requiring field officers; and (b) the performance of the ACMA's additional functions under paragraph 11(1)(c) of the ACMA Act; and (c) services to trace the location of an emergency position indicating radio beacon station (EPIRB).	Hourly rate
64		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 2 (Item 7.2.3)	The provision of technical radiofrequency services requiring field officers, other than: (a) the performance of the ACMA's additional functions under paragraph 11(1)(c) of the ACMA Act; and (b) services to trace the location of an emergency position indicating radio beacon station (EPIRB).	Special hourly rate A
65		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 2 (Item 7.2.4)	The provision of technical radiofrequency services to trace the location of an emergency position indicating radio beacon station (EPIRB).	Special hourly rate A
66	Miscellaneous	Sch 1 Part 2 Table 8 (Item 2.8.1)	Consideration of an application for the transfer of one or more apparatus licences under section 131AA of the Radiocommunications Act, and transferring the licence if applicable.	\$94.00
67		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 4 (Item 7.4.1)	Considering the establishment of a credit account without proceeding to establish the account.	\$161.70
68		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 3 (Item 7.3.1)	Assessing an application for a General Licensing Accreditation under the Accreditation Rules, and giving the accreditation if applicable.	\$546.00
69		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 3 (Item 7.3.2)	Assessing an application for a Specific Licensing Accreditation under the Accreditation Rules, and giving the accreditation if applicable.	\$286.00
70		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 2 (Item 7.2.5)	Supply of an adjacent services listing.	Hourly rate

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71		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 2 (Item 7.2.6)	Supply of a frequency scan report.	Hourly rate
72		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 2 (Item 7.2.7)	Investigating the cause of interference to: (a) radio or television broadcasting reception; or (b) the operation of a radiocommunications device; in circumstances where: (c) the source of the interference is wholly or mainly under the control of the person making the complaint about the interference (the complainant); and (d) the complainant has the necessary skills or expertise to diagnose the source of the interference.	Special hourly rate A
73		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 4 (Item 7.4.2)	Establishment of a credit account.	\$285.00
74		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 4 (Item 7.4.3)	Annual fee for the maintenance of a credit account including provision of monthly statements, and answering basic account enquiries (one per month) (annual base maintenance fee) – where the account has been established and maintained for the whole of a financial year.	\$715.00
75		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 4 (Item 7.4.4)	Annual base maintenance fee – where the account has been established and maintained for only a part of a financial year.	For each portion of the financial year for which the credit account is maintained – the proportion of \$715 equal to the proportion of the financial year for which the credit account is maintained, rounded in

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76		Sch 1 Part 7 Table 4 (Item 7.4.5)	Providing support services for credit account holders in addition to services covered by the annual base maintenance fee.	Hourly rate
77	Spectrum licences	Sch 1 Part 5 Table 1 (Item 5.1.1)	Considering a request to vary a spectrum licence under section 72 of the Radiocommunications Act, and varying it if applicable.	Hourly rate
78		Sch 1 Part 5 Table 1 (Item 5.1.2)	Processing registration of an assignment of all or part of a spectrum licence under section 86 of the Radiocommunications Act, including doing anything the ACMA considers necessary or convenient to do in order to give effect to the assignment in accordance with section 87 of the Radiocommunications Act.	\$38.00
79	PTS licences	Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.13 (a))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (a) PTS licence (PMTS Class B).	\$471.00 per licence
80		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.13 (b))	Considering an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, and issuing it (if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (b) PTS licence (PMTS Class C).	\$471.00 per licence

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81	Varying a licence	Sch 1 Part 2 Table 7 (Item 2.7.1)	Considering an application under section 111 of the Radiocommunications Act to vary the conditions of an assigned licence or a non-assigned licence (and varying it if applicable) where: (a) the licence is of a kind mentioned in an item in Tables 2, 3 or 5 of Part 2 of Schedule 1; (b) the licence is not of a type mentioned in any other item in this table; and (c) technical coordination is not required.	\$36.00
82		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 7 (Item 2.7.2)	Considering an application under section 111 of the Radiocommunications Act to vary the conditions of an assigned licence, and varying it if applicable (other than an LPON licence) where: (a) the licence is mentioned in an item in Tables 2 or 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 1; and (b) the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person; and (c) in considering the application, the ACMA is required to perform technical coordination.	The applicable charge for issuing the licence, as specified in the relevant item in Tables 2 or 3 of Part 2 of Schedule 1
83		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 7 (item 2.7.5)	Considering an application under section 111 of the Radiocommunications Act to vary the conditions of an LPON licence (and varying it if applicable), where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person.	Hourly rate
84		Part 2 Table 7 (Item 2.7.3)	Considering an application under section 111 of the Radiocommunications Act to vary the conditions of an assigned licence of a kind mentioned in Table 1 of Part 2 of Schedule 1, (other than a licence to which item 2.7.4 applies), and varying it if applicable, where: (a) the application is accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person; and (b) in considering the application, the ACMA is not required to perform technical coordination.	\$26.00 for each frequency assignment or paired frequency assignment to which the application relates

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85		Part 2 Table 7 (Item 2.7.4)	Considering an application under section 111 of the Radiocommunications Act to vary the conditions of any of the following licences (and varying it if applicable) where the application is accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person: (a) earth licence (fixed earth station); (b) earth licence (mobile earth station); (c) space licence; (d) space receive licence.	\$102.00 for each frequency assignment or paired frequency assignment to which the application relates
86		Part 2 Table 7 (Item 2.7.6)	Considering an application under section 111 of the Radiocommunications Act to vary the conditions of a FSS only area-wide licence (and varying it if applicable).	\$696.00
87		Part 2 Table 7 (item 2.7.7)	Considering an application under section 111 of the Radiocommunications Act to vary the conditions of a standard area-wide licence (and varying it if applicable).	\$847.00
88	Frequency assignment certificates – via licensing system	Part 2 Table 1 (Item 2.1.1)	Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of an assigned apparatus licence (other than a licence of a type mentioned in item 2.1.2), where the application is accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person. Note: All frequency assignments associated with transmitter licences are chargeable. Frequency assignments associated with receiver licences are only chargeable if there are no transmit spectrum accesses on the same licence.	\$26.00 per spectrum access

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89		Part 2 Table 1 (Item 2.1.2)	<p>Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person:</p> <p>(a) earth licence (fixed earth station); (b) earth licence (mobile earth station); (c) space licence; (d) space receive licence.</p> <p>Note: All frequency assignments associated with transmitter licences are chargeable. Frequency assignments associated with receiver licences are only chargeable if there are no transmit spectrum accesses on the same licence.</p>	\$102.00 per spectrum access
90		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.1 (a))	<p>Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person:</p> <p>(a) amateur licence (amateur beacon station).</p>	\$177.00 per licence
91		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 2 (Item 2.2.1 (b))	<p>Considering each frequency assignment requested in an application under section 99 of the Radiocommunications Act for the issue of any of the following licences, where the application is not accompanied by a frequency assignment certificate issued by an accredited person:</p> <p>(b) amateur licence (amateur repeater station).</p>	
92	Area-wide licences	Sch 1 Part 2 Table 4 (Item 2.4.1)	Considering an application for the issue of a FSS only area-wide licence, and issuing it (if applicable).	\$696.00
93		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 4 (Item 2.4.2)	Considering an application for a standard area-wide licence, and issuing it (if applicable), where the ACMA is not required to assess the application against an application for an area-wide licence made by another person.	\$847.00

Ref	Fee type	Radiocommunication (Charges) Determination 2022	Description	Fee
94		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 4 (Item 2.4.3)	Considering an application for the issue of a standard area-wide licence, and issuing it (if applicable), where the ACMA is required to assess the application against applications for an area-wide licence made by other persons.	\$847.00
95		Sch 1 Part 2 Table 4 (Item 2.4.4)	<p>Further charges related to the processing of an application for the issue of a standard area-wide licence (the first application) where the ACMA is required to assess the first application against one or more other applications for an area-wide licence.</p> <p>Note: If further charges are applicable, the ACMA will apportion the charge so that all applications that are assessed against each other will incur the same additional charge, determined using the hourly rate.</p>	<p>The amount worked out using the following formula:</p> <p><u>THR</u> <u>N+1</u></p> <p>where:</p> <p>THR means the total hourly rate, an amount worked out by multiplying the hourly rate by the time taken to assess each of the first application and any other application against which the first application is assessed;</p> <p>N means the number of applications for the licence against which the first application is assessed.</p>

Ref	Fee type	Radiocommunication (Charges) Determination 2022	Description	Fee
96	Equipment Rules documents	Sch 1 Part 3 Table 2 (Item 3.2.1)	Considering an application for the issue of a permit which authorises one or more of the actions specified in paragraphs 38(4)(a), (b) and (c) of the Equipment Rules (and issuing the permit, if applicable): > for the first application for a permit by a person.	\$1,525.00
97		Sch 1 Part 3 Table 2 (Item 3.2.1)	Considering an application for the issue of a permit which authorises one or more of the actions specified in paragraphs 38(4)(a), (b) and (c) of the Equipment Rules (and issuing the permit, if applicable): > for subsequent applications for a permit by a person who already holds a permit of the same kind.	\$621.00
98		Sch 1 Part 3 Table 2 (Item 3.2.2)	Considering an application for the issue of a permit which only authorises the action specified in paragraph 38(4)(d) of the Equipment Rules (and issuing the permit, if applicable): > for the first application for a permit by a person.	\$791.00
99		Sch 1 Part 3 Table 2 (Item 3.2.2)	Considering an application for the issue of a permit which only authorises the action specified in paragraph 38(4)(d) of the Equipment Rules (and issuing the permit, if applicable): > for subsequent applications for a permit by a person who already holds a permit of the same kind. Note: This fee applies to permits that authorise only the supply of unlabelled devices.	\$565.00
100		Sch 1 Part 3 Table 2 (Item 3.2.3)	Considering an application for the issue of a permit (and issuing the permit if applicable) which authorises one or more of the actions mentioned in paragraphs 38(4)(a), (b) and (c), and the action specified in paragraph 38(4)(d), of the Equipment Rules: > for the first application for a permit by a person.	\$1,525.00

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101		Sch 1 Part 3 Table 2 (Item 3.2.3)	<p>Considering an application for the issue of a permit (and issuing the permit if applicable) which authorises one or more of the actions mentioned in paragraphs 38(4)(a), (b) and (c), and the action specified in paragraph 38(4)(d), of the Equipment Rules:</p> <p>> for subsequent applications for a permit by a person who already holds a permit of the same kind.</p>	\$621.00
102	Banned equipment	Sch 1 Part 3 Table 3 (item 3.3.1)	Consideration of an application made under clause 3 of Schedule 1 to the Exemption Determination for the making of a notifiable instrument naming a person for the purposes of section 9 and/or paragraph 11(m) of the Exemption Determination (whether or not the application is granted).	Hourly rate
103		Sch 1 Part 3 Table 3 (item 3.3.2)	Making a notifiable instrument (new instrument) under subclause 1(1) of Schedule 1 to the Exemption Determination naming a person for the purposes of section 9 and/or paragraph 11(m) of the Exemption Determination, where a notifiable instrument (previous instrument) has already been made naming the same person, and the new instrument is made either while the previous instrument is still in force, or within 3 months after the previous instrument has ceased to be in force.	Hourly rate

Ref	Fee type	Radiocommunications (Digital Radio Multiplex Transmitter Licences – Application Fee) Determination 2022	Description	Fee
Radiocommunications (Digital Radio Multiplex Transmitter Licences – Application Fee) Determination 2022				
104	Digital radio multiplex transmitter licences	Section 6	Amount of application fee – foundation category 1 digital radio multiplex transmitter licence.	\$1,130.00
105		Section 7	Amount of application fee – foundation category 2 digital radio multiplex transmitter licence.	\$1,130.00

Ref	Fee type	Telecommunications (Charges) Determination 2022	Description	Fee
Telecommunications (Charges) Determination 2022				
106	Nominated carrier declaration charges	Sch 1—Part 1, Item 1.1	Making an application mentioned in section 77 of the Telecommunications Act for a nominated carrier declaration in relation to one or more specified network units.	\$2,237.00
107	Connection permits	Sch 1 - Part 7, Item 7.1	Activities of an ACMA official acting as a certification body in connection with dealing with an application for a written statement under paragraph 408 (5) (a) of the Telecommunications Act.	Hourly rate
108	Numbers under Numbering Plan	Sch 1—Part 2 item 2.1	Making an application mentioned in paragraph 457 (1) (a) of the Telecommunications Act for the allocation of a number otherwise than in accordance with an allocation system determined under section 463 of the Telecommunications Act (1) For an application made under Part 2 of Chapter 6 of the numbering plan for allocation of one or more standard units of geographic numbers.	\$57.00
109			(2) For an application made under Part 3 of Chapter 6 of the numbering plan for allocation of one or more geographic numbers.	\$57.00

Ref	Fee type	Telecommunications (Charges) Determination 2022	Description	Fee
110			(3) For any other application made under the numbering plan for allocation of a number.	Zero
111		Sch 1—Part 2, item 2.2	Making an application under subsection 121(1) of the numbering plan for registration of a carriage service provider under section 122 of the numbering plan.	\$57.00
112		Sch 1—Part 2, item 2.3	Registering to use the electronic system, made available by the ACMA, for EROU applicants to apply with a registered carriage service provider under section 73 of the numbering plan for the initial allocation of an unassigned unallocated smartnumber, and for EROU-holders to manage their enhanced rights of use.	\$57.00
113	Facility installation permits	Sch 1—Part 3, item 3.1	Deposit to accompany a facility installation permit application.	\$9,108.00
114		Sch 1—Part 3, item 3.2	Activities of ACMA official in connection with dealing with a facility installation permit application that does not relate to the conduct of a public inquiry in relation to the permit.	Hourly rate
115	Facility installation permits – public inquiry	Sch 1—Part 4, item 4.1	Deposit payable on account of the expenses to be incurred by ACMA for the holding of a public inquiry.	\$57,385.00
116		Sch 1—Part 4, item 4.2	Activities of ACMA official in relation to the holding of a public inquiry.	Hourly rate
117		Sch 1—Part 4, item 4.3	Any other expenses incurred by the ACMA not included in item 4.2 in relation to the holding of a public inquiry.	Actual costs
118	Declare, vary or revoke a protection zone	Sch 1—Part 5, item 5.1	Deposit payable on account of the expenses to be incurred by the ACMA in relation to a protection zone (declaration) request.	\$161,251.00
119		Sch 1—Part 5, item 5.2	Deposit payable on account of the expenses to be incurred by the ACMA in relation to a protection zone (revocation) request or a protection zone (variation) request.	\$136,278.00
120		Sch 1—Part 5, item 5.3	Charges for the activities of ACMA official in relation to a: (a) protection zone (declaration) request;	Hourly rate

Ref	Fee type	Telecommunications (Charges) Determination 2022	Description	Fee
			(b) protection zone (revocation) request; (c) protection zone (variation) request.	
121		Sch 1—Part 5, item 5.4	External costs incurred by the ACMA in relation to a protection zone (declaration) request, protection zone (revocation) request or protection zone (variation) request including, but not limited to, the following: (a) advertising costs; (b) venue hire and catering costs; (c) travel expenses; (d) consultation costs.	Actual costs
122	Submarine cables	Sch 1—Part 6, item 6.1	Protection zone installation permit application — charge for the purposes of clause 53 of Schedule 3A to the Telecommunications Act, in relation to considering and processing a protection zone installation permit application.	\$5,123.00 (for each submarine cable the subject of the application)
123		Sch 1—Part 6, item 6.2	Protection zone installation permit — considering and processing an application under clause 61 of Schedule 3A to the Telecommunications Act to extend the duration of a protection zone installation permit.	\$1,394.00
124		Sch 1—Part 6, item 6.3	Non-protection zone installation permit application — charge for the purposes of clause 66 of Schedule 3A to the Telecommunications Act, in relation to considering and processing a non-protection zone installation permit application, excluding the additional charges mentioned at items 6.4 and 6.5.	\$5,951.00 (for each submarine cable the subject of the application)
125		Sch 1—Part 6, item 6.4	Non-protection zone installation permit application — deposit payable on account of the charges at item 6.5.	\$25,000.00
126		Sch 1—Part 6, item 6.5	Non-protection zone installation permit application — charge for the purposes of clause 66 of Schedule 3A to the Telecommunications Act, in relation to external costs for the use of external consultants in considering a non-protection zone installation permit application or a linked non-protection zone installation permit application.	Actual costs

Ref	Fee type	Telecommunications (Charges) Determination 2022	Description	Fee
127		Sch 1—Part 6, item 6.6	Non-protection zone installation permit — considering and processing an application under clause 76 of Schedule 3A to the Telecommunications Act to extend the duration of a non-protection zone installation permit.	\$1,394.00

Ref	Fee type	Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Application Charge)(Application) Determination 2022	Description	Fee
Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Application Charge) (Application) Determination 2022				
128	Carrier licence application charge	Section 5	Charge imposed on an application for a carrier licence.	\$2,708.00

Ref	Fee type	Broadcasting (Charges) Determination 2017	Description	Fee
Broadcasting (Charges) Determination 2017				
129	Broadcasting licences	Item 3 of Schedule 1 (Table item 1)	Considering and processing an application made under section 38A or 38B of the Broadcasting Services Act for an additional television licence in a 1 or 2 station market.	\$2,787.00
130		Item 3 of Schedule 1 (Table item 2)	Considering and processing an application under section 40 of the Broadcasting Services Act for a non-broadcasting services bands commercial television broadcasting licence or commercial radio broadcasting licence.	\$451.00
131		Item 3 of Schedule 1 (Table item 3)	Considering and processing an application under section 46 of the Broadcasting Services Act for renewal of a commercial television broadcasting licence or commercial radio broadcasting licence.	\$202.00

Ref	Fee type	Broadcasting (Charges) Determination 2017	Description	Fee
132		Item 3 of Schedule 1 (Table item 4)	Considering and processing an application under section 96 of the Broadcasting Services Act for a subscription television broadcasting licence.	\$236.00
133		Item 6 of Schedule 1 (Table item 2)	Refer 'International broadcasting licences' (ref 139–140 below).	(ref 139–140 below)
134		Item 3 of Schedule 1 (Table item 5)	Considering and processing an application under clause 7 of Schedule 6 to the Broadcasting Services Act for a datacasting licence.	\$424.00
135	Broadcasting opinions	Item 4 of Schedule 1	Preparing and giving an opinion on application under section 21 of the Broadcasting Services Act.	Hourly rate
136		Item 5 of Schedule 1	Preparing and giving an opinion on application under section 74 of the Broadcasting Services Act.	Hourly rate
137	International broadcasting licences	Item 6 of Schedule 1 (Table item 1)	Deposit to accompany an application under section 121FA of the Broadcasting Services Act for an international broadcasting licence.	\$4,500.00
138		Item 6 of Schedule 1 (Table item 2)	Considering and processing an application under section 121FA of the Broadcasting Services Act for an international broadcasting licence.	Hourly rate