



## Rottne Island Aerodrome Fees

The Rottne Island Authority (RIA) is responsible for the maintenance, upkeep and administration of the Rottne Island Aerodrome. RIA, which is largely self-funded, does not receive any State or Commonwealth funding for the Aerodrome.

### **Regulation 5 of the *Rottne Island Regulations 1988* (the Regulations) states that:**

“an admission fee...is payable in respect of every person who enters within the limits of the Island”. Regulation 5 applies regardless of the means employed to ‘enter within the limits of the Island’, that is, whether the visitor arrives by ferry, private boat, charter boat or aircraft. A limited range of exemptions apply to regulation 5, such as infants or permanent residents of the Island. In addition, RIA may waive or vary admission fees ‘in circumstances it considers appropriate’.

Regulations 7B and 7C make provision for the payment of admission fees and fees for use of the Aerodrome. Revenue received from aerodrome usage fees contributes, in part, to the cost of maintaining the airport whilst the admission fee contributes to the cost associated with the provision of Rottne Island’s essential infrastructure and services, including utilities such as water, wastewater, electricity, waste, community buildings and services, emergency management, heritage management, marine and terrestrial environmental management.

The *Rottne Island Regulations 1988* were amended in December 2018 in order to make changes to the calculation and method of collection of admission fees and aerodrome usage fees for visitors to the Island by air (excluding commercial services). The new arrangements for collection of annual admission fees are simpler and aligned to the fee structure for fees that apply to the smallest category of private water craft.

The new fee structure is summarised in the table below.

Per visit 'aerodrome usage' fee	<b>\$53.50</b>
Annual admission fee	<b>\$253.00</b>
Annual aerodrome usage fee	<b>\$150.00</b>

The 'per visit' aerodrome usage fee consists of two components – admission fee (Regulation 5) and facility usage fee (Regulation 7). The admission fee component (\$37.00) is equivalent to two adult passengers being carried on each aircraft. The facility usage component is \$16.50.

**The annual admission fee is aligned with the current fee in lieu of admission fees for the smallest category of private boat (currently \$253.00).**

The annual aerodrome usage fee is equivalent to nine (9) landings per annum. This amount was arrived at following consultation with the flying community but does not reflect a realistic level of cost recovery for the maintenance and operation of the aerodrome at current or prospective levels of usage.

**Note:**

1. No fees are applied for practice approaches that form part of training operations. Fees for all other landings (including touch and go and stop and go) are however levied accordingly.
2. Due to the new arrangements for annual fees having been introduced midway through the 2018/19 financial year, the annual admission and aerodrome usage fees will be available on a pro-rata basis (to the nearest complete month).
3. Annual admission and annual aerodrome usage fees, in total \$403, are levied together

To download the annual aerodrome usage fee application form please visit <http://rotnestisland.com/byair>

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**If you have any questions, please contact the General Manager of Avdata Australia on 02 6262 8111.**