



2024–25 Aerodrome Usage Fees

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

Regulation 5 of the *Rottnest 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 Rottnest 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 2024–25 fee structure is summarised in the table below.

Per visit aerodrome usage fee	\$62.00
Annual admission fee	\$369.00
Annual aerodrome usage fee	\$189.00

The per visit aerodrome usage fee consists of two components — admission fee (Regulation 5) and facility usage fee (Regulation 7).

The annual aerodrome usage fee is equivalent to approximately 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. Annual admission and annual aerodrome usage fees, in total \$558.00, are levied together.
3. The annual fees do not apply to aircraft used to carry fee paying passengers to or from Rottnest Island.

To download the annual aerodrome usage fee application form please visit <https://ria.wa.gov.au/policy-and-reports/fees-and-charges>

If you have any questions, please contact the General Manager of Avdata Australia on (+61 2) 6262 8111.