

Fairway Bayside Aged Care Limited

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FAIRWAY BAYSIDE AGED CARE FEES AND CHARGES

Aged Care Fees are charged monthly in advance. Invoices will include fees and charges as follows:

Daily Fee

As per schedule of fees, starting **from the date of acceptance offer of a room** or from **the transfer date from another aged care facility**; whichever is applicable. As at 20th March 2023, the Basic Daily Care Fee is \$58.98 per day.

This fee is reviewed by the Department of Human Services (DHS) twice yearly on the 20th March and 20th September, with fee adjustments advised in the subsequent month.

Means Tested Care Fee (if applicable):

Starting from the date of admission to Fairway or from the transfer date from another aged care facility.

Prospective residents will need, within 28 days of admission, to submit to Centrelink the form available on the myagedcare.gov.au website **“Permanent Residential Aged Care – Request for a Combined Assets and Income Assessment (SA457)”**. A letter of advice from DHS will be sent to both Fairway and the resident, specifying the calculated means tested care fee (MTCF) together with the date from which the advised fee applies.

Until this letter of advice is received, it is recommended that residents pay a provisional MTCF, as calculated on the government residential care fee estimator (see details at the end of this paragraph). Adjustment will be made on the next invoice sent after receipt of DHS advice.

As at 20th March 2023, means tested care fees are capped a maximum of \$31,706.83 per annum, with a lifetime cap of \$76,096.50 and includes any means tested contributions made prior to entry for home care packages which are advised on admission. For some residents the DHS advised MTCF will result in a period of contributions until the annual cap is reached, cessation of MTCF for a period and then recommencing contributions on the anniversary date of admission.

For further information on how the Government assesses these means tested and other aged care fees please refer to the My aged care website:

<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/schedule-of-fees-and-charges-for-residential-and-home-care>

Accommodation Payments

Fairway Bayside Aged Care maximum accommodation payment is \$850,000.

For residents with assets less than \$57,000.00 no accommodation payment is required. Prior to admission, these residents will need to submit to Centrelink the form available on the My Aged Care website **“Permanent Residential Aged Care – Request for a Combined Assets and Income Assessment (SA457)”**. The response letter from DHS must be included with your application. These response letters are valid for three months after the date on the letter, so residents requesting supported residency status may need to re-apply for Assessment if their original assessment expires before an offer of permanent residency is received.

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Residents can choose to pay for their accommodation by a RAD (refundable accommodation deposit), a DAP (daily accommodation payment), or a combination of both. The final decision as to the exact combination must be advised by the resident within 28 days after admission, but, until this advice is received, the default is taken to be 100% RAD (refundable accommodation deposit), with interest charged on the unpaid refundable accommodation deposits.

Refundable Accommodation Deposit (RAD) is paid as a lump sum amount. The lump sum amount does not have to be paid immediately on admission, but if this option is chosen in full or in part this indicates that the amount advised is intended to eventually be paid in full.

The Daily Accommodation Payment (DAP) is interest charged (MPIR – maximum permissible interest rate) on the unpaid portion of the RAD until the agreed amount is paid in full. The interest rate is set by the Department of Health, and, as at 1st April 2023 until 30th June 2023, it is 7.46%.

A full daily accommodation payment (DAP) accrues daily and is invoiced in advance and paid monthly. It is the interest calculated on the advised Accommodation Payment amount at the government advised interest rate as above.

A combination payment includes both a partial lump sum and daily payments. Within the maximum accommodation payment of \$850,000, legislation requires that the maximum RAD that can be nominated, may be no more than the resident's assessable assets less \$57,000.00 as at 20th March 2023.

Managing combination payments by drawing down daily payments from your partial lump sum paid is an option that may be taken, however this option attracts compound interest charges and should be discussed with your financial advisor before being taken up.

Invoicing and Fee Review

Daily Care fees are revised twice yearly by the Department of Health (DOH) as of 20th March, and 20th September, with adjustments appearing on your invoices after these dates, once updated advices are issued by Department of Human Services (DHS).

Where Means Tested Fees apply, these are revised four times annually: 1st January, 20th March, 1st July and 20th September. If a variation applies, you will be advised of the details by letter from the Department of Human Services (DHS), normally within 28 days. Adjustments will appear on your invoice in the month(s) following receipt of advice.

Other fees and charges

In cases where 52 days of social leave resulting in loss of government subsidy these losses will be invoiced to the resident. In general, service providers, such as the doctor, chemist, newsagent, hairdresser, Foxtel and the like, will send their invoices directly to your financial contact for payment. By accepting residency at Fairway, you are agreeing for the contact details of the resident's financial contact to be given to all relevant service providers and that the financial contact will arrange for payment of relevant accounts.

Additional Services – Enriched Living (prices as at 1st July 2023 subject to CPI increases):

Fairway, as well as providing the basic lifestyle services specified in the Aged Care Act, also offers additional lifestyle services for an added charge of up to \$50 / day as at 1st July, 2023.

Signing up to this package is the way that our community supports the extensive offerings in our lifestyle enrichment program. As part of additional services, Lifestyle staff will, in consultation with the resident and interested family members, regularly assess changing resident needs with a view to tailor-make a program that will maximise each person's enjoyment of residential life.

Residents will only be charged to the usage of the service and an itemised account with charges will be sent with your invoice. This fee will be charged in arrears. For details of Additional Service refer to the explanatory leaflet.

Final fees and charges

Final fees and charges will be invoiced to room empty date, which is normally within two days of the resident departure date, unless an extension of time is agreed. In this case, extra charges and storage fees may apply. Tip fees will apply for unwanted items not removed. Replacement costs apply for keys and call pendants not returned. A \$400.00 room cleaning charge is applicable on departure.

Method of Payment

Payment of invoice may be made by:

Authorised/direct debit, whereby the invoiced amount for each month is debited from your nominated account on the 15th of that month. If the 15th is a weekend, then direct debit will be deducted the next business day. Fairway Bayside covers all bank charges associated with this method of payment:

Bank transfer to the Sandringham Aged Care Association bank account: **BSB: 083 535 Account No: 51865 2062.**

To facilitate payment allocation we ask that you include the resident's initial and surname and / or invoice number as the reference to appear on our bank statement.

Cheques to be made out to Finance Department, Fairway Bayside Aged Care, 195 Bluff Road, Sandringham VIC 3191 or hand deliver to the Reception office.