

Membership – Where does my money go?

In terms of membership costs, Equestrian Victoria membership compares very favourably to most other sports annual membership fees and other State Branches.

The individual membership fees for 2016- 2017 are listed below and take into account increases in National levies and CPI for 2016 calendar year.

The following information hopefully will help you understand how your fees are spent and how this benefits you and our sport. This breakdown is based on a 2016-2017 Competitor Senior membership, with similar costing applying to all membership categories.

National Levy

The National levy is a portion of your membership that is allocated to Equestrian Australia for the purpose of administering our sports. The National Office is the interface for all international matters. These include overseas competitions, licensing, horse identification, FEI officials, FEI seminars, FEI events held in Australia, World Cup, Australia's participation in world-wide series, updating of FEI rules etc.

International Competition and Development Fund (ICDF)

The ICDF grants money to projects and events that are within the "International Competitions" category and those which further develop the sport in general as well as in particular sports. The Finance Committee encourages applications from organisers of workshops, clinics and seminars for riders, coaches, trainers and officials.

Insurance -

The policy provides personal insurance cover for EA members for injuries sustained whilst engaged in recreational non-income deriving equestrian activities twenty-four (24) hours a day. (Full policy brochure is available at www.vic.equestrian.org.au or by calling Gow Gates 1800811371

Nominate Electronic Fee – The Nominate fee covers the running cost of the EA Online database. The database is continually being updated, for our members to hold accurate membership, horses details, results and competition details. Nominate also provides an online service for our members to update membership details and enter competitions.

GST – As per Tax Office guidelines, one eleventh of all income is remitted to the Australian Tax Office for GST.

Equestrian Victoria Administration

The balance of your fees goes towards the running costs of the Equestrian Victoria office. We are a non-profit organisation. However, we have costs and endeavour to balance the annual EV budget. Major administration expenses include salaries, website, postage, printing, stationery, telephone, fax, computers, auditors, accountants, lawyers and other costs associated with office administration. The end result is for a competitive senior member, Equestrian Victoria receives \$163.53 out of the total \$320 paid, refer to attached breakdown.

Equestrian Victoria membership is about being part of a structured organisation that formulates rules, regulations, training, coaching and competitions in equestrian sports. Your membership also contributes to the support of Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre, sport at regional, state, national and international levels. It is this support through membership which helps secure the future of horse sports in Victoria and Australia.

....to give everyone the opportunity to live their **EQUESTRIAN dream.**

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The table below are the National Levies for 2016/2017 Membership Renewals. These levies commence from the 1 July 2016. This table shows the breakdown of your membership fees.

National Levies for Membership Renewals from 1 July 2017

	Competitor Senior \$320	Competitor Junior \$155	Participant Senior \$175	Participant Junior \$115
Equestrian Australia Admin Levy	\$49.26	\$16.42	\$16.42	\$8.21
ICDF/Grass Roots Levy	\$11.29	\$7.18	\$10.77	\$10.77
Insurance Levy	\$44.23	\$16.83	\$44.23	\$16.83
Nominate Electronic Fee	\$17.60	\$8.52	\$9.62	\$6.32
GST	29.09	\$14.09	\$15.91	\$10.45
Balance Equestrian Victoria	\$168.53	\$91.96	\$78.05	\$62.42