



Committed to the welfare of seafarers

Australian Mariners' Welfare Society

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AMWS Grant Policy Guidelines

These grants are designed to provide financial assistance to Australian maritime welfare providers in supporting seafarers of all nationalities and beliefs, ensuring their time ashore is as safe and enjoyable as possible.

Detailed information about our grant policies is provided below and is also available on our website.

Internet/Wi-Fi, Bus Tyre Replacements and Vehicle Registration/CTP Insurance

For the following claims, a formal application form is not required. Please follow the steps below to submit your claim:

Internet/Wi-Fi Costs

Claim up to \$345 per quarter for internet/Wi-Fi expenses.

Bus Tyre Replacements

Claim reimbursement for up to four tyres per vehicle per year, including costs for wheel balancing and alignment.

Vehicle Registration and CTP Insurance

AMWS will cover 100% of registration and CTP insurance costs incurred from 1 July 2024. For costs before 1 July 2024, reimbursement is capped at 75%.

Required Documentation for Claims

For claims related to Internet/Wi-Fi, Tyre Replacements, and Vehicle Registration/CTP Insurance grants, please submit the following documentation:

- 1. Invoice** - Provide an invoice to AMWS for the net amount paid by your centre.
 - If your centre is GST-registered, the invoice should reflect the amount excluding GST.
 - If your centre is not GST-registered, include the full amount paid.

Do not include GST on the invoice to AMWS. As we are not receiving any goods or services from your centre, no GST is to be rep

- 2. Supporting Receipts** - Include relevant receipts showing the incurred expenses.
 - For Internet/Wi-Fi claims, please provide one receipt per quarter.

Please send all claims directly to the Secretary at: secretaryamws@gmail.com

Specific Projects

Since the introduction of our project grants in 2006, AMWS has processed nearly 300 applications. Most have supported centre refurbishments, including:

- Building and roof repairs
- Furniture and equipment
- Air conditioning and solar panel systems
- Smaller items such as coffee machines

Applications can be submitted using our one-page form, available on our website:

<https://www.marinerswelfare.com>.

Submit completed applications to: secretaryamws@gmail.com

Note: If your request exceeds \$5,000, you must submit at least two quotes.

Bus Replacements (New or Used)

AMWS recognises the crucial role that buses play in transporting seafarers from ship to shore. To support seafarer welfare centres, we offer financial assistance to assist in the purchase of both new and second-hand buses.

AMWS aims to be a financial contributor to bus replacements, alongside other stakeholders such as the centre, port authorities, port users, and through additional fundraising efforts.

We will consider applications for financial assistance of up to \$40,000 for bus replacements.

Submit your application using the standard application form, available on our website. Address your application directly to the Secretary.

Battery and Solar Panel Installation

Recognising the financial and environmental benefits, AMWS will contribute up to 60% of the lowest quote for solar and battery installation projects. Funding is available to three centres per year. Applications should be submitted using the standard application form on our website and sent to the Secretariat.

Claim Submission Timeline

All claims must be submitted within 12 months of the expense being incurred.

Secretariat Contact

Our Secretary is available to assist with any questions or clarifications regarding these guidelines. Please refer to the first page of this document or our website for contact details.