

Summary of incentives* and allowances for Apprentices / Trainees

*Eligibility criteria apply to all incentives and allowances. Australian and State Government incentives and allowances can be varied at any time without notice. Incentives have a 12 month claimable period from the date the incentive payment is made available. TSL payments can only commence from when an application form is received, TSL payments cannot be backdated prior to an application form being received by Sarina Russo Apprenticeships.

Apprentice Support	Overview	Amount	Paid at
Apprentice Trade Support Loans (TSL)	Available to Apprentices undertaking qualifications leading to occupations on the Trade Support Loans Priority List, agriculture, and horticulture qualifications in selected postcode areas. Eligible Apprentices will have access to loans totalling up to \$20,808 over the course of the Apprenticeship to assist with the expenses associated with living, learning and completing an Apprenticeship for 2019-20 Financial year.	\$21,078	Lifetime limit
		\$8,431	12 monthly payments of \$702.62 1st year of training
		\$6,324	12 monthly payments of \$526.96 2nd year of training
		\$4,216	12 monthly payments of \$351.31 3rd year of training
		\$2,108	12 monthly payments of \$175.65 4th year of training
		\$45,880	Repayment threshold

Australian Apprentice Incentives	Overview	Amount	Paid at
Additional Identified Skills Shortage (AISS)	Eligible Australian Apprentices in AISS areas will receive \$1,000 at the 12 month point from commencement of their apprenticeship, and an additional \$1,000 at completion of the apprenticeship.	\$1,000	12 months from commencement of apprenticeship
		\$1,000	Completion of the apprenticeship
Living Away From Home Allowance (LAFHA)	Paid to the Australian Apprentice, must have moved out of home for the first time within 3 months of commencing (or while still in the first 3 years of) the apprenticeship or traineeship.	\$77.17	Per week 1st year rate
		\$38.59	Per week 2nd year rate
		\$25.00	Per Week 3rd year rate
Youth Allowance, Austudy and ABSTUDY	Australian Apprentices may be eligible to receive extra support from the Government, subject to the application of parental and personal income tests.	Amount advised at application	
Funded Training	State Government may subsidise the cost of the training component delivered by or RTOs	Amount advised at application	
NSW	Apprentices and New Entrant Trainees are eligible to apply for a Transport Concession Entitlement Card and a Concession Opal card.	After application with Transport for NSW and Opal	
	First and second year apprentices can receive a \$100 rebate on their car registration.	After application through the Roads and Maritime Services	
	Relocation and Rental Expenses – Unemployed Apprentices or New Entrant Trainees registered with CAPS who relocate more than 60 km in order to continue their apprenticeship or traineeship with a new employer.	Amount advised upon application with Training Services NSW	
VIC	Eligible trade apprentices can get a 50% discount off car registration and Transport Accident Charge renewal fee. Apply through VicRoads website – www.vicroads.vic.gov.au	Amount advised upon application with VicRoads	

Australian Apprentice Incentives	Overview	Amount
SA	Equipped for Work – Reimbursements are available to New Worker Apprentices and Trainees, for equipment and services that are essential for the commencement of an apprenticeship or traineeship, up to a maximum of \$1000.	Amount advised upon application with Skilling South Australia

Travel and Accommodation Allowances	Overview	Amount
ACT	Travel and accommodation allowances are payable to eligible apprentices/trainees who are required to travel interstate to attend structured training. For details contact skills@act.gov.au	Amount advised upon application with Skills Canberra
NSW	Travel and Accommodation Allowance is available for Apprentices and New Entrant Trainees who travel more than 120 km (return) to attend day or block release training with their RTO.	Amount advised upon application with Training Services NSW
QLD	Travel and Accommodation Allowance – Apprentices and Trainees who have to travel at least 100km (return) to attend training at the closest training organisation which delivers training in the qualification being undertaken.	Amount advised upon application with the Department of Employment, Small Business and Training
TAS	Travel assistance is available for Apprentices and Trainees who are required to travel between 21km (one way) or more to attend training. Accommodation assistance is available for Apprentices and Trainees who are required to travel 41km (one way) or more to attend training and where overnight accommodation is utilised.	Amount advised upon application with Skills Tasmania
WA	Travel assistance is available for Apprentices and Trainees who are required to travel 71km (return) or more to attend training. Accommodation assistance is available for Apprentices and Trainees who are required to travel 200km (return) or more to attend block release training and where overnight accommodation is utilised.	Amount advised upon application with the Department of Training and Workforce Development

Employers of Australian Apprentices with a Disability Incentives	Overview	Amount	Paid at
Assistance for Australian Apprentices with Disability	Paid to Employer	\$104.30	Per week - Wage Support
	Paid to the Registered Training Organisation. Paid for off-the-job tutorial, Mentor and for Interpreter Assistance	\$38.50	Per hour (up to \$5,500 per year)
Employment Assistance Fund	The Employment Assistance Fund helps people with disability and mental health condition by providing financial assistance to purchase a range of work related modifications and services for people who are about to start a job or who are currently working, as well as those who require assistance to find and prepare for work.	Amount advised upon application	

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