

ENTRY INTO A MAYFEILD AGED CARE RESIDENCE

Before entering Mayfield Aged Care, the following steps must be completed by the incoming resident (or their representative). These steps help determine eligibility, available funding, and any fees you may be required to pay.

1. Mayfield Application Forms

This form collects your personal information and helps us prepare for your arrival. Your MAC Client Services Manager will assist you with [completing this step online](#).

AGED CARE FEES & CHARGES

Aged care fees in Australia are determined by the Federal Government and apply to all residential aged care providers. Your individual fees depend on your income, assets, and government assessments.

Below is an overview of the fees you may be asked to pay when entering Mayfield Aged Care.

A. BASIC DAILY FEE

Every resident in aged care pays a Basic Daily Fee.

This fee helps cover everyday living costs such as meals, cleaning, laundry, heating, cooling and general services.

The government sets this fee, and it is equal to **85% of the single Age Pension**.

The current Basic Daily Fee for most residents is:

\$66.80 per day.

(This amount may change in line with pension increases.)

B. MEANS TESTED CARE FEE (If Applicable)

Depending on your financial assessment, you may be required to pay a Means Tested Care Fee. This fee contributes toward the cost of your clinical and personal care.

Key points:

- Centrelink/DVA determines whether this fee applies.
- The fee varies for each resident and may change over time.
- Annual and lifetime caps apply (set by the Government).
- Not all residents will be required to pay this fee.

We recommend discussing your assessment with a financial advisor if you have questions about the outcome.

C. HOTELLING CONTRIBUTION

People who can afford to will contribute more towards their daily living costs through a hotelling contribution.

Services Australia will tell you if you need to pay a hotelling contribution and if so, how much you need to pay. This is based on your means assessment. The maximum amount changes with indexation in March and September.

D. NON-CLINICAL CONTRIBUTION

People who need to pay the maximum hotelling contribution may also need to pay a non-clinical care contribution.

This fee contributes to personal care costs such as bathing and mobility assistance. Services Australia will tell you if you need to pay a non-clinical care contribution and if so, how much you need to pay. This is based on your means assessment.

The maximum amount changes with indexation in March and September. Daily and lifetime caps apply

E. HIGHER EVERYDAY LIVING FEE

This is an optional fee for people who choose to receive higher quality everyday living services.

It can be charged for services that are of a higher quality or in addition to those your aged care home must provide. The specific services, and the fees for each, are agreed between you and your provider after you enter care.

You can't be asked to pay for a service you are unable to use. After agreeing in writing, you have 28 days to change your mind and cancel your higher everyday living agreement. The agreement is reviewed by you and your provider at least once a year to ensure you still want and can still make use of the services.

F. ACCOMMODATION FEES

Accommodation fees cover the cost of your room.

What you pay depends on your **means assessment**.

There are four possible outcomes:

1. **Pay the full room price** (RAD, DAP, or a combination)
 2. **Pay a partial contribution** (Government pays some)
 3. **Fully supported** (Government pays all accommodation costs)
 4. **DVA supported** (for eligible veterans)
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Accommodation Payment Methods

Residents who are not fully government-supported may choose from the following payment options.

1. Refundable Accommodation Deposit (RAD)

A RAD is a one-off, lump-sum payment for your room.

It is **refundable** when you leave MAC (less any deductions, if applicable).

Key points:

- No interest is charged if the RAD is paid within 7 days of moving in.
- Residents have up to **6 months** to pay their RAD.
- Adjusted MPIR interest rate applies if paid later (government-set).
- The RAD is protected by legislation and will be refunded within 14 days of departure or receipt of probate.

- 2% of the RAD balance will be retained per annum, for a maximum of 5 years. Which will be deducted monthly.

2. Daily Accommodation Payment (DAP)

Instead of paying a lump sum, you may choose a daily rental-style payment.

The DAP is **not refundable**. The MPIR rate used for DAP will be indexed on 20 March and 20 September every year.

For example, for an unpaid RAD of \$750,000 and an MPIR of 7.6%, the calculation is $(\$750,000 \times 0.076) / 365$, which equals approximately \$156.16 per day.

The DAP is calculated using the government-set interest rate (MPIR) and the room price.

Residents can choose:

- DAP only, or
 - DAP plus an optional RAD contribution to reduce daily costs.
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3. Combination Payment (RAD + DAP)

You may choose to pay part of the room price as a RAD and the remainder as a DAP.

This option reduces your daily accommodation cost while keeping your upfront payment smaller.

DAP amounts decrease as your RAD contribution increases.

4. Fully or Partially Government-Supported Accommodation

If your means assessment shows you cannot afford to pay for accommodation, the Government may cover some or all of the room costs.

You may be:

- **Fully supported** (no accommodation fee)
 - **Partially supported** (reduced accommodation fee)
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Important Information

- All fees listed are set by the Australian Government and may change over time.
 - Your individual fees will depend on your income and assets assessment.
 - MAC will always provide a written breakdown of your fees before admission.
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USEFUL RESOURCES

My Aged Care

1800 200 422

www.myagedcare.gov.au

Services Australia (Centrelink)

www.servicesaustralia.gov.au

1800 227 475

Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA)

www.dva.gov.au

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Department of Health and Aged Care

www.health.gov.au

If you have any questions or need help understanding your fees, please [contact us](#).

The Mayfield Aged Care team is here to guide you every step of the way.