

Overview of Changes to NICNAS Fees and Charges: 2012-13

NICNAS has reviewed its cost recovery arrangements and prepared a Cost Recovery Impact Statement (CRIS), in accordance with the Australian Government's Cost Recovery Guidelines. The CRIS outlines NICNAS fees and charges for the period 2012-13 to 2015-16.

The amendments to fees and charges are to:

- Better align fees and charges with the cost of delivering the services; and
- recover the cost of stage one of the accelerated assessment and prioritisation of existing chemicals.

The CRIS was developed with extensive stakeholder consultation, including two phases of public consultation- a discussion paper outlining issues to be canvassed through the CRIS and the draft CRIS. Stakeholder consultation mechanisms included written submissions, public workshops, NICNAS consultative committees and a stakeholder survey. Stakeholder views were taken into account in finalising the CRIS.

The [Final CRIS](#) and a summary ([Final CRIS – At a Glance](#)) are available on the NICNAS website.

The overall charging structure, that is category specific new chemicals fees and a three-tier registration charging arrangement, remains unchanged.

New NICNAS fees and charges apply from **1 July 2012**. Key changes for 2012-13 include:

[NICNAS registration fees and charges](#)

- Increase in registration fee and charge for tier 2 and tier 3 registrants (tier 1 fee remains unchanged);
- Changes in late penalty charges.

[New chemicals fees](#)

- Changes to new chemicals assessment fees;
- Introduction of a non-refundable screening fee;
- Removal of template rebate; and
- Variable fee rebates replaced with set fees.

[Fees relating to Australian Inventory of Chemical Substances \(AICS\)](#)

- Changes to confidential and early listing fees.

[Summary list of 2012-13 NICNAS fees and charges](#)

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