

Manly Warringah Radio Society (MWRS)

First Amateur Radio Licence Youth Grant (FARLYG)

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1 This document

The purpose of this document is to define the Manly Warringah Radio Society (MWRS) First Amateur Radio Licence Youth Grant program (FARLYG).

2 Objective of the FARLYG

The objective of the MWRS First Amateur Radio Licence Youth Grant (FARLYG) is to attract young enthusiasts to the hobby of amateur radio ensuring the future of the hobby and of the Manly Warringah Radio Society.

The grant helps reduce the cost of obtaining the entry level Foundation Amateur License. Grants are limited and the number available for the current financial year is determined at the MWRS AGM. Allocation to eligible candidates will be on first-come-first-serve basis.

3 Scope of the FARLYG

It is expected that the youth will apply to the MWRS for a FARLYG.

If the application is successful, they will study and then sit for their Foundation Licence assessment by a Australian Communication Media Authority (ACMA) certified assessor.

MWRS will provide a grant of \$100 towards the cost of:

- Instructor led Foundation Course (alternative is self-study).
- Foundation Manual or other study material.
- ACMA call sign application fee.

Members donations or external donations are accepted to help fund the FARLYG.

MWRS will also cover the cost of the MWRS membership until the youth member reaches 18 years of age.

4 MWRS Resources and Assistance

The candidate may purchase the Foundation Manual from MWRS or borrow from the MWRS Library if donated copies are available.

MWRS will provide recommendations for training through instructor led or self-study and arrange a ACMA certified assessor to conduct the Foundation assessment.

MWRS requires an adult family member to be present if the youth member attends a MWRS weekly meeting to prepare for the Foundation assessment. MWRS members holding an Advance Amateur License will provide help in two key areas:

- Practical:
Provide instruction on safety, radio station setup and tuning, on-air call procedures, and identification of antenna types and cables.
- Theory:
Assist with answering theory questions and help with theory practice exams.

5 Prerequisites

The candidate must:

- understand and agree with the conditions of this grant.
- be eligible to obtain an ACMA Foundation licence in Australia.
- not currently hold an Australian amateur radio licence.
- submit the application form for approval.
- be of academic age to be able to read, write and understand basic electronic equipment operation instructions.
- read the training material prior to the course and assessment.
- pay for the any course fees and study material.
- pay for the ACMA call sign registration.

6 Ruling

Request for grant forms are presented at the Monthly Business Meeting following the submission of the application form. Candidates will be accepted/rejected by the meeting upon review of the request.

A candidate can only have two attempts at the Foundation licence assessment under a FARLYG. Further attempts by the candidate will have to be done without the help of this program.

The licence assessment must be undertaken within 6 months from the grant approval.

Foundation assessments under this grant are undertaken with a certified ACMA Assessor.

7 MWRS financial liabilities

The financial liability for each Society FARLYG consists of:

- \$100 per allocation limited by the number agreed at the AGM for the current financial year.
- Free membership for the youth member until 18 years of age.
This will be considered as lost revenue with no real additional cost to the MWRS.

8 Program advertising

As a minimum, the program should be advertised via the following:

- At least twice yearly on the Sydney based WIA broadcast.
- At JOTA/JOTI.
- At any MWRS public activities such, field days and Parks of Air (POTA).
Leaflets should be prepared for this purpose.
- On the MWRS website.

9 Termination of the Program

The MWRS may either terminate the program or vary the rules of the program at any Monthly Business Meeting; however allocated grants will be honoured.

The preferred way to terminate the program is by first stopping any new grant allocation and announcing the termination of the program when all available grants have been used or have expired, whichever comes first.

10 MWRS Contact Details

Applicants may contact MWRS via email mwrs.org.au@gmail.com for any queries.

11 Appendix – Application Form

Refer next page for the FARLYG Application Form on MWRS Letterhead.



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Application Form Candidate section:

Date of application: _____
Applicants Name: _____
Guardian's Name: _____
Address (Suburb Only): _____
Contact Email Address: _____
Contact Phone Number: _____
Applicants Age: _____

In few words, why do I want to gain your Amateur License and gain knowledge of radio and electronics?

Administrative section:

(Under the terms of the MWRS Youth Grant)

1. Free membership until youth member reaches 18 years of age.

2. \$100 Grant if a PASS is achieved for the Foundation License.

The grant will help fund the purchase of a Foundation Manual, ACMA Amateur Call Sign registration fee and other expenses.

Date approved MWRS Business Meeting: _____
Signature of President or Delegate: _____
Date that Foundation PASSED: _____
Date fees reimbursed to applicant: _____