



# **WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA**

## **Grant Scheme – Rules**

### **PURPOSE**

The Purpose of the Scheme is to promote and advance amateur radio, the Wireless Institute of Australia (WIA) and its Affiliated Clubs by supporting useful projects undertaken or to be undertaken by Affiliated Clubs. For a project to receive a Grant under these Rules it must be considered by the Grants Committee and the Board to be sufficiently useful for either amateur radio, the Affiliated Club or the WIA to justify the making of a Grant.

### **CATEGORIES**

The Grant scheme is divided into two categories:-

1. Applications for new hardware to implement or upgrade existing or new Repeater or Beacon sites or Club services
2. Applications to support or promote education or training of prospective or new amateur operators or to upgrade existing amateur licensees.

The Wireless Institute of Australia will consider grant applications from WIA Affiliated Clubs who meet the qualifications required for ongoing affiliation, and on such terms and conditions as it sees fit.

### **GRANT REQUIREMENTS**

Applications for Grants will be reviewed by a Grants Committee and evaluated according to the following criteria;

1. The activity, project or initiative must be;
  - a. consistent with and/or advance the aims and objectives of the Wireless Institute of Australia
  - b. of benefit to the amateur community in general
  - c. not for a profit making and/or commercial purpose
  - d. have not been completed at the time the application was made
  - e. capable of completion within a maximum period of 12 months from the date of the grant. Projects over a longer time period may be staged, with each year treated as a new grant application.
  - f. consistent with any other specific criteria determined by the WIA Board from time to time.
2. Expenses which would have been incurred in the normal course of participation in the hobby will not ordinarily be eligible for a Grant, e.g. routine maintenance of existing infrastructure, license fees, utilities.



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3. Where the applicant is a non-affiliated Club, or is unable to meet the Affiliation membership requirements, the grant shall not be considered.
4. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
5. The recipient must agree to acknowledge the provision of the grant and participate in any promotional activity associated with the activity, project or initiative.
6. The recipient must provide proof of expenditure to the satisfaction of the WIA Board prior to the grant being paid. The WIA may stagger payments when appropriate.
7. Upon determining to recommend a Grant application, the Grants Committee shall submit its recommendation to the WIA Board for approval.
8. If approved the Grants Committee may be delegated to advise the applicants of the outcome.
9. Applications should be on the designated form and sent by email to the WIA secretary at the email address published on the WIA web site.

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