

National Freelance Rates 2004/2005

Australian Journalists Association Section

Effective 1 July 2004. Approved minimum rates for freelance and casual writers, broadcasters, photographers and artists:

Freelance Daily Rate

\$733.00 Per day
\$488.00 Per half day (2/3 day rate)
\$183.00 Per hour
\$747.00 1000 words or less
75c per word thereafter

Photojournalists

\$916.00 Per day

Photographers

\$733.00 Per day
\$488.00 Per half day (2/3 day rate)
\$183.00 Per hour
\$139.00 Research (per hour)
\$ 66.00 Film (1 B&W roll w/proofs or 1 colour roll)
\$ 81.00 Film (1 colour neg roll w/proofs or 1 trannie)
\$ 36.00 B&W prints 20 x 25
\$ 45.00 B&W prints 25 x 30
\$1790.00 Lost or damaged transparencies or negatives

Photo Reproduction

\$176.00 Single column photo
\$250.00 Half page
\$368.00 Full page
\$659.00 Cover

Artists

\$ 164.00 B&W spot cartoon or illus
\$ 226.00 B&W half page
\$ 332.00 B&W full page
\$ 682.00 Colour half page
\$1361.00 Colour full page

\$1634.00 Colour Cover

Book Editors & Proofreaders

\$733.00 Per day

\$488.00 Per half day (2/3 day rate)

\$183.00 Per hour

Public Relations

\$1071.00 Snr PR Consultant per day

\$140.00 Per hour

Casual Rates (based on News Limited Rates January 2004)

Grade VDT rate

3 \$229.00 (Full day)

3 \$153.00 (Half day)

5 \$260.00 (Full day)

5 \$173.00 (Half day)

Expenses

Freelancers are entitled to claim reasonable out of pocket expenses on top of the minimum freelance rates quoted here. These expenses could include: travel costs, telephone, car mileage, fax costs etc.

Holiday Pay

Casuals employed by Metro Dailies at Fairfax and News Limited now receive a 20% casual loading in lieu of holidays. Casuals employed in other areas receive a daily allowance on top of the minimum rate to compensate for holiday pay.

Superannuation

Freelancers who earn over \$450 in any one month from the one commissioner and casuals employed by most employers for 20 shifts or more within a 13 week period qualify to have the equivalent of 9% of their earnings paid into a superannuation fund - free of charge - once you have asked for it. If you are not a member of JUST or an approved company fund, please contact the Alliance or JUST Ph: 1300 362 672.

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