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Changes to licence charges from 1 January 2016

From 1 January 2016, charges associated with the application for and renewal of licences for customs brokers, depots and warehouses, will change.

These changes were announced by the Government as part of the 2015-16 Commonwealth Budget following the <u>Joint Review of Border Fees, Charges and Taxes</u>, which involved significant engagement and consultation with industry.

The changes to take effect from 1 January 2016 are:

- introduction of a licence application charge for customs broker and warehouse licences
- · reduction in warehouse licence grant charges
- introduction of a variation charge for warehouse licences
- amendments to the grant and renewal charges for customs broker licences.

Changes to licensing charges are highlighted in the following table.

Charge Item	Current Charge	New Charge (From 1 January 2016)
Depot licence application	\$3000	\$3000
Depot licence grant	\$4000	\$4000
Depot licence renewal	\$4000 (annual) – large \$1500 (annual) - small	\$4000 (annual) – large \$1500 (annual) - small
Depot licence variation	\$300	\$300
Warehouse licence application	\$0	\$3000
Warehouse licence grant	\$7000	\$4000 ¹
Warehouse licence renewal	\$4000	\$4000
Warehouse licence variation	\$0	\$300
'Nominee' broker's licence application	\$0	\$130
'Sole trader' or 'Corporate' broker's licence application	\$0	\$1300
'Nominee' broker's licence grant or renewal	\$120 (every 3 years)	\$240 (every 3 years)
'Sole trader' or 'Corporate' broker's licence grant or renewal	\$1200 (every 3 years)	\$2400 (every 3 years)

¹ the commensurate reduction in warehouse licence grant charges, with introduction of the warehouse licence application charge.

For information about licensing for customs brokers, depots and warehouses visit our website at Licensing.

To find out more about licensing for warehouses storing excise equivalent goods, with the exception of providores catering bonds and duty free stores, visit the <u>Australian Taxation Office</u> website.

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