

# Fees we charge for consumer mortgage lending products.

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## Section 1: Understanding fees and charges

### When we may charge fees

The Commonwealth Bank charges fees for administering your account and providing banking services.

The fees we charge may vary depending on the product you choose or the type of service you request. Our aim is to meet your needs by providing products and services that are value for money.

Broadly, we may charge fees:

- At the time of settlement
- During the term of the loan
- If you break a fixed or guaranteed rate loan
- When you pay the full amount of the loan for any reason.

### How to save on fees

There are many ways the Bank can help you to minimise the fees it charges, for example, our Extra Home Loan or Extra Investment Home Loan. This product offers a competitive interest rate with no monthly loan service fees. Alternatively packages such as Wealth Package (non-broker customers only) and Mortgage Advantage (broker customers only) have been specially designed to save you money.

To be eligible for a package you must have an initial 'package lending balance' (total of all eligible home loans and the credit limit of Viridian Line of Credit) of at least \$150,000 and pay \$395 per year, debited from the nominated account. Wealth Package and Mortgage Advantage are not available with all loan types (e.g. Extra Home Loan)

Through a Package, we waive the upfront Establishment Fee (up to \$600 - \$800) and the Loan Service Fees (up to \$8 p/m for home loans and \$12 p/m for Viridian Lines of Credit) for all eligible home loans linked to your package. There are other benefits as well. Please refer to the Wealth Package Fact Sheet or Mortgage Advantage Fact Sheet for full details, available at [commbank.com.au](http://commbank.com.au).

### How we collect fees

The Bank will collect the relevant fee by making a debit to your Loan Account or nominated account when we process your request or transaction.

### Government charges

Government charges such as stamp duty, transfer and mortgage registration fees will apply to all loans. These charges are determined by the relevant State Government, and will vary from State to State.

**Note:** Government fees are not bank fees. The Bank collects these charges on behalf of the Government. Please contact the relevant State Government Department to find out how much you will be charged.

### Norfolk Island Government charges

Stamp Duty – Government stamp duty is payable on cheques issued in Norfolk Island.

Goods and Services Tax – The Norfolk Island Government may charge a Goods and Services Tax on certain service fees the Bank provides. The Bank collects the Goods and Services Tax from you and passes this on to the Government.

## Changes to fees

The Bank may vary the fee and the amounts shown in this booklet. We will notify you of any changes by advertising in a leading daily newspaper in each State, or in writing to you, no later than the day on which the variation takes effect, or as required under your Loan Contract.

## What the words mean

Unless otherwise stated, when we refer to home loan we are also referring to:

- An investment home loan; or
- Low Documentation home loans; or
- Interest in Advance; or
- Off the Plan Purchase home loans.

Unless otherwise stated, when we use the term Viridian Line of Credit we are also referring to:

- Low Documentation Viridian Lines of Credit; or
- Equity Unlock Loan for Seniors,

which are available only if the Loan was not introduced to us through an accredited broker.

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## Section 2: Summary of fees

### Fees payable at the time of settlement or funding

There are fees associated with the preparation to settlement of a home loan. These may include instructing bank staff to prepare relevant loan documents and any correspondence that may arise when we talk to your legal representative.

Your Loan Contract Schedule identifies the fees that are payable at settlement.

Name of fee	When is the fee payable	\$
<b>Additional Security Fee</b>	Payable if we require you to provide more than one security (i.e. the security used to support the repayment of the loan), and one or more of these securities is 'new' i.e. does not already secure another loan.	\$150 per new security
<b>Establishment Fee<sup>^</sup></b>	Payable to cover the costs the Bank incurs in establishing your loan and unless it is waived by us, is payable at the date of settlement or funding. It does not include other fees and charges also payable at the time of entering into the loan such as those associated with the settlement of the loan or the particular circumstances of the loan.	
	Home loans/Viridian Line of Credit (excluding Off the Plan Purchase).	\$600
	Off the Plan Purchase for new and existing home loan.	\$800
	Split Loans with Variable & Fixed Rate Options.	\$600 for each of the 1st two loans plus \$300 for each additional loan
	If you increase an existing home loan/Viridian Line of Credit.	\$300
<b>Progressive Drawing Fee</b>	Payable when the Bank makes a number of progressive payments to fund your loan amount. Payable at your final drawing.	\$75 per drawing

<sup>^</sup> Not payable if your loan type is Extra Home Loan or if you take up a Package with your eligible home loan. On and from 3rd June 2023, Viridian Line of Credit is unavailable for new fundings and limit increases.

Name of fee	When is the fee payable	\$
Rate Lock Fee	Payable if you elect to lock in your reference interest rates on new Fixed Rate home loan or Fixed Rate Investment home loan applications. This non-refundable fee applies to 1-5 Year Fixed Rate home loans only.  The Rate Lock Fee is charged at the same time we process the request and this is when the 90 day Rate Lock period begins. .	\$750 per Rate Lock
Security Guarantee Fee	Payable if a guarantor is listed on the loan schedule.	\$200 per borrower
Settlement Fee	Payable regardless of whether we attend settlement or not, when the Bank or our representative, arranges the funding of the loan.	\$200  (\$150 if the disclosure date in the Contract is before 03/02/12)
Settlement Cheque Fee	Payable if you require additional cheques (more than two) to fund/settle the loan.	\$15 per cheque

## Lenders' Mortgage Insurance and Low Deposit Premium

Lenders' Mortgage Insurance or a Low Deposit Premium may apply where there is an increased risk associated with a home loan. The loan attributes determine whether a loan will incur Lenders' Mortgage Insurance or Low Deposit Premium.

Name	When is this payable	\$
Lenders' Mortgage Insurance Premium	We may require you to pay LMI depending on the circumstances of your loan. LMI protects us (not you) against the potential loss we may incur if you can't repay your loan. If the security property is sold and the proceeds are insufficient to fully repay the loan, we may recover the outstanding amount under our LMI policy. The LMI provider may seek to recover the outstanding amount from you, as you are still responsible for repaying the whole loan. The LMI premium is added to the total loan amount and is collected on your behalf and passed to our insurance provider.	To be advised when we calculate the premium
Low Deposit Premium	We may require you to pay LDP depending on the circumstances of your loan. LDP is added to the total loan amount, and if we ask you to pay LDP we won't ask you to pay for LMI. Even if you have paid LDP, we may still seek to recover from you any outstanding amount if the security property is sold and the proceeds are insufficient to fully repay the loan.	To be advised when we calculate the premium

## Fees that may apply during the term of your loan

We may also charge fees during the term of your loan depending on what services you ask us to provide. We will debit these fees to your Loan Account or a nominated account when the Bank processes your request.

**Note:** The following fees do not apply to existing No Fee Variable Rate Home Loan or No Fee Variable Rate Investment Home Loans.

Name of fee	When is the fee payable	\$
Access Fees (overseas transactions)	Payable if you make withdrawals from your Line of Credit.  Different Access Fees apply depending on the method of access you choose (fees are in Australian currency):	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Through the Automatic Teller Machines of ASB Bank in New Zealand, Commonwealth Bank in Indonesia and Commonwealth Bank in Vietnam.</li> </ul>	\$2
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Overseas access through the Maestro and Cirrus, MasterCard or Visa Plus networks of electronic terminals:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>— Maestro (EFTPOS) or Debit MasterCard purchase in foreign currency (or transaction that involves a currency conversion).</li> <li>— Cirrus, MasterCard or Visa Plus ATM cash withdrawal in foreign currency.</li> <li>— Maestro (EFTPOS) or Debit MasterCard purchase in Australian dollars when overseas.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	3% of transaction value  \$5 plus 3% of transaction value 3% of transaction value (Effective 30 September 2015)

Name of fee	When is the fee payable	\$
ATM fees within Australia	<b>Note:</b> The Bank does not charge Access Fees on withdrawals or account balance enquiries on lines of credit through non-Commonwealth Bank ATMs in Australia. However, ATM owners may charge a fee, which will be disclosed at the time of the transaction. If you proceed with the transaction, the ATM owner's fee will be debited to your account (in addition to the withdrawal amount, if applicable). You should check the ATM owner's fees that apply carefully before completing transactions at non-Commonwealth Bank ATMs in Australia.	
Annual Service Fee	Payable if your home loan is with the former State Bank of Victoria and the terms and conditions state the fee is required.	\$33
Annual Wealth Package and Mortgage Advantage Fee	The fee is charged annually to your nominated account when you add a Wealth Package (non-broker customers only) or Mortgage Advantage (broker customers only) to your eligible home loan to access special discounts. To be eligible for a package you must have an initial 'package lending balance' (total of all eligible home loans and the credit limit of Viridian Line of Credit) of at least \$150,000 at the time of applying. Wealth Package or Mortgage Advantage are not available with all loan types. Please refer to the Wealth Package Fact Sheet or Mortgage Advantage Fact Sheet for full details, available at <a href="http://commbank.com.au">commbank.com.au</a> .	\$395 per year
Late Payment Fee <sup>#</sup>	For home loans – If your account falls into arrears, you will be charged a late payment fee. This fee is payable on the fifth business day after the monthly repayment due date. We will continue to charge the fee monthly until you repay all arrears or you enter into an arrangement with us for the full repayment of those arrears (even if you repay your loan weekly or fortnightly). If you break that arrangement the fee will continue to apply.	\$20
Loan Service Fee <sup>^^</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For home loans – charged monthly to each Loan Account on the repayment due date.</li> <li>For Interest in Advance Investment Home Loans, the fee is charged to the Related Account monthly on the first business day of each month.</li> <li>For Viridian Lines of Credit – charged to your nominated account on the first calendar day of each month for each loan.</li> </ul>	\$8 per month  \$12 per month
Other Electronic Banking Fees	Payable if you use any of our electronic banking services to access your account.  For details of fees please refer to our Electronic Banking Terms and Conditions brochure which can be obtained by contacting us and is available at <a href="http://commbank.com.au">commbank.com.au</a> .	
Outward Dishonour Fee	Payable if you have insufficient funds in your Viridian Line of Credit account and a cheque is drawn.	\$5
Periodical Payments or Transfers	Payable if you arrange a periodical payment or ask us to transfer funds.	\$1.80 plus transfer fee, bank cheque fee and postage as applicable
Security Substitution Fee	Payable if you ask us to substitute one of your securities with another.	\$300
Special Clearance Fees	Payable if you ask us for special clearance on a cheque deposited in the Loan Account.	\$15 per cheque plus any out of pocket cost
Stop Payment Notice Fee	Payable if you ask us to stop payment on a cheque you have written.	\$15 per request
Trust Investigation Fee and UTC Clause 2.1	Payable if we incur investigation cost for loans involving a Trust. This fee applies even if we don't give you a loan. (Refer to UTC Clause 2.1)	To be advised when we calculate the fee
Voucher Fee	Payable if you ask us to retrieve a voucher (i.e. deposit, credit or debit slips) that records a transaction on the Loan Account.	\$4 per voucher (minimum charge \$12) or \$60 per hour spent to retrieve voucher(s)

<sup>†</sup>Not payable if your loan type is Extra Home Loan or if you take up a Package with your eligible home loan.

<sup>\*</sup>Not payable if your loan type is Equity Unlock for Seniors.

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- Viridian Line of Credit
- Equity Unlock for Seniors

## Fees if you prepay or switch a fixed rate loan or prepay a guaranteed rate loan

Some borrowers prefer to arrange either a fixed or guaranteed rate loan. Fixed repayment amounts offer certainty for those who want to protect themselves should interest rates rise. Please note that fees apply if you break these types of loan.

When the Bank processes your request we debit the Administrative Fee and Early Repayment Adjustment to your Loan Account.

Name of fee	When is the fee payable	\$
<b>Administrative Fee</b>	<p><b>Fixed Rate Home Loan</b></p> <p>Payable if you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repay your home loan in full before the fixed interest rate period expires; or</li> <li>Make partial prepayments which exceed \$10,000 in any year of your fixed rate loan.</li> </ul> <p><b>Guaranteed Rate Home Loan</b></p> <p>Payable if you repay the full amount of the loan during the guaranteed rate period.</p>	\$50
<b>Early Repayment Adjustment</b>	<p>Payable if you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Make partial prepayments on a Fixed Rate loan which exceed \$10,000 in any year of your fixed rate loan (including paying the loan off in full); or</li> <li>Make full prepayment during a capped or one-year guaranteed rate period of a home loan; or</li> <li>Switch your Fixed Rate or guaranteed rate loan before the selected fixed or guaranteed rate period expires; or</li> <li>Top up the amount of credit of a home loan during a fixed or guaranteed rate period.</li> </ul>	To be advised when we calculate the fee

## Fees if you pay off your loan early

A fee will apply if you pay off the full amount of the loan before the term of the loan.

**Note:** The following fees do not apply to existing No Fee Variable Rate Home Loan or No Fee Variable Rate Investment Home Loans.

Name of fee	When is the fee payable	\$
<b>Early Repayment Fee payable on Standard Variable Rate and Base Variable Rate</b> (approved before 1 November 1996)	<p>Payable if you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>repay the loan early, in full or by lump sum payment; or</li> <li>refinance your loan internally or externally.</li> </ul> <p>Fee calculation: This fee is calculated by multiplying the loan balance at the time of repayment by one month's interest. The interest rate charged will be at the rate applicable at that date.</p>	To be advised when we calculate the fee
<b>Settlement Fee (Discharge)</b>	Payable if you discharge the loan, i.e. either sell part or all of the Security Property or refinance your Loan with another credit provider.	\$350

## Section 3: Home Loan glossary

Home loan term	Description
<b>Fixed rate</b>	An interest rate that is set for an agreed term.
<b>Government charges</b>	These vary for each state and territory and include stamp duty, transfer of land and mortgage registration fees.
<b>Guarantor</b>	A party who has legally agreed to be responsible for the payment of another party's debts.
<b>Lenders' Mortgage Insurance (LMI)</b>	LMI is a one-off insurance premium designed to protect us (not you). It is not a bank fee or an establishment fee.
<b>Low Deposit Premium (LDP)</b>	LDP is a one-off bank fee reflecting the risk associated with a low deposit loan. It is not a fee for the establishment of a loan.
<b>Low Documentation</b>	A loan generally for self-employed people who may not have the financial documents normally required to obtain a loan.
<b>Off the plan</b>	Buying a property – usually an apartment – from seeing the plans, before it is completed or even built.
<b>Package lending balance</b>	Is the sum of the account balance of eligible home lending accounts and the credit limit of Viridian Line of Credit accounts that you have with us at the time you apply for your Wealth Package / Mortgage Advantage. Eligible home loans are those accounts that can be included in the Wealth Package / Mortgage Advantage.
<b>Rate Lock</b>	Allows you to lock in the reference interest rates.
<b>Redraw facility</b>	Allows access to additional repayments made on a loan.
<b>Security</b>	An asset – usually the property purchased with the loan funds – that can be sold by a lender if the debt is not repaid in full.
<b>Settlement</b>	When the sale or purchase of a property is completed and the owner takes possession of the property.
<b>Settlement date</b>	The date when the new owner makes a final payment and takes possession of a property.
<b>Standard variable rate</b>	A home loan, usually with more comprehensive features than a basic variable loan. Fixed rate loans often revert to the standard variable rate at the end of their fixed term.
<b>Variable rate</b>	An interest rate that generally goes up and down.
<b>Viridian Line of Credit</b>	A flexible ongoing loan arrangement with a specified limit.

