

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada

Fees Report

Fiscal Year 2018 to 2019

The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Privy Councillor, Member of Parliament, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food



2018 to 2019 Fees Report

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Minister's message

On behalf of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, I am pleased to present our report on fees for fiscal year 2018 to 2019, my organization's second annual report under the *Service Fees Act*ⁱ.

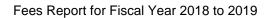
The act provides a modern legislative framework that enables cost-effective delivery of services and, through better reporting to Parliament, improves transparency and oversight.

Last year, a detailed listing of individual fees under the department's authority, along with anticipated increases, was added to the reporting requirements.

This year's report provides more detail on each fee, such as the type and rate of adjustment, the service standard and the performance result. This information provides additional context on each fee, in the spirit of open and transparent fee management.

I welcome the increased transparency and oversight that the *Service Fees Act*'s reporting regime embodies. I will continue to lead my department's transition to this modern framework.

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About this report

This report, which is tabled under section 20 of the *Service Fees Act* and section 4.2.8 of the *Directive on Charging and Special Financial Authorities*ⁱⁱ, contains information about the fees that Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada had the authority to charge in the 2018 to 2019 fiscal year.

This report contains information about all fees that are under Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's authority, even if some or all of the fees are collected by another department.

The information reported includes fees that:

- fall under the Service Fees Act
- are exempt from the Service Fees Act

The information covers fees set by:

- contract
- market-base, auction or both
- act, regulation or fees notice

For fees set by the following mechanisms, the report provides totals only:

- contract
- market-base, auction or both

For fees set by act, regulation or fees notice, the report provides totals for fee groupings, as well as detailed information for each individual fee.

Although the fees charged by Agriculture and Agri-Food under the *Access to Information Act*ⁱⁱⁱ are subject to the *Service Fees Act*, they are not included in this report. Information on Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's access to information fees for fiscal year 2018 to 2019 can be found in our access to information report, which is posted on Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Annual Report to Parliament - *Access to Information Act* and *Privacy Acts*^{iv}.

Remissions

A remission is a partial or full return of a fee to a fee payer who paid for a service for which a department deemed that the service standard was not met.

Under the *Service Fees Act*, departments must develop policies for determining whether a service standard has been met and for determining how much of a fee will be remitted to a fee payer. This requirement does not take effect until April 1, 2020. This report

therefore includes **only** those remissions issued under Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's enabling legislation. It does not include remissions issued under the *Service Fees Act*.

Overall totals, by fee type

The following table presents the total revenue, cost and remissions for all fees that Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada had the authority to charge in fiscal year 2018 to 2019, by fee type.

Overall totals for fiscal year 2018 to 2019, by fee type

Fee type	Revenue (\$)	Cost (\$)	Remissions (\$)
Fees set by contract	1,149,284	14,390,757	Remissions do not apply to fees set by contract.
Fees set by market base, auction or both	0	0	Remissions do not apply to fees set by market base, auction or both.
Fees set by act, regulation or fees notice	10,498,283	9,928,666	0
Total	11,647,567	24,319,423	0

Totals for fees set by act, regulation or fees notice, by fee grouping

The following tables present, for each fee grouping, the total revenue, cost and remissions for all fees that Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada had the authority to charge in fiscal year 2018 to 2019 that are set by any of the following:

- act
- regulation
- fees notice

A fee grouping is a grouping of all of the fees that a department has the authority to charge for activities relating to a single business line, directorate or program.

Canadian Agricultural Loans Act Registration Fees: totals for fiscal year 2018 to 2019

Fee grouping	Canadian Agricultural Loans Act Registration Fees	
Revenue (\$)	Cost (\$)	Remissions (\$)
765,546	537,875	Not applicable

Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency pari-mutuel betting levy: totals for fiscal year 2018 to 2019

Fee grouping	Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency pari-mutuel betting levy	
Revenue (\$)	Cost (\$)	Remissions (\$)
9,554,842	9,258,864	Not applicable

Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency pari-mutuel proficiency test fee: totals for fiscal year 2018 to 2019

Fee grouping	Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency pari-mutuel proficiency test fee	
Revenue (\$)	Cost (\$)	Remissions (\$)
21,164	Not available (The 2018 to 2019 cost amount was not identifiable)	Not applicable

Facility and personal fees under the Research - Sale Services Agreements: totals for fiscal year 2018 to 2019

Fee grouping	Facility and personal fees under the Research - Sale Services Agreements	
Revenue (\$)	Cost (\$)	Remissions (\$)
156,731	131,927	0

Details on each fee set by act, regulation or fees notice

This section provides detailed information on each fee that Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada had the authority to charge in fiscal year 2018 to 2019 and that was set by any of the following:

- act
- regulation
- fees notice

Fee grouping	Canadian Agricultural Loans Act Registration Fees
Fee	Canadian Agricultural Loans Act Registration Fees
Fee-setting authority	Canadian Agricultural Loans Act
Year introduced	2009

Last year fee-setting authority was amended	Not applicable
Fee type	Service
Fee amount (\$)	0.85% of the loan amount
Total fee revenue (\$)	765,546
Adjustment type	Exempt
Adjustment rate	Not applicable
(% or formula)	
2020 to 2021 fee amount (\$)	0.85% of the loan amount
Future fee-adjusted amount (\$)	Not applicable
Adjustment date	Not applicable
Fee-adjustment authority	Canadian Agricultural Loans Regulationsvi
Service standard	Not applicable
Performance result	Not applicable

Fee grouping	Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency Pari-Mutuel Betting Levy
Fee	Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency Pari-Mutuel Betting Levy
Fee-setting authority	Criminal Codevii of Canada, Section 204
Year introduced	1920
Last year fee-setting authority was amended	1983
Fee type	Levy
Fee amount (\$)	0.8% of each dollar bet through an approved pari-mutuel system on horse race betting made in Canada, as operated in conjunction with the conduct of horse racing.
Total fee revenue (\$)	9,554,842
Adjustment type	Section 17 of the Service Fees Act (Consumer Price Index)
Adjustment rate (% or formula)	-
2020 to 2021 fee amount (\$)	0.8%
	(The Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency's betting levy is unchanged in anticipation of an amendment to the Service Fees Act that would exempt the betting levy from the Service Fees Act's requirement to adjust the fee annually based on the Consumer Price Index.)

Future fee-adjusted amount (\$)	Not applicable
Adjustment date	April 1, 2020
Fee-adjustment authority	Service Fees Act
Service standard	Not applicable
Performance result	Not applicable

Fee grouping	Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency Pari-Mutuel Proficiency Test Fee
Fee	Canadian Pari-Mutuel Agency Pari-Mutuel Proficiency Test Fee
Fee-setting authority	Criminal Code of Canada, Section 204
Year introduced	1998
Last year fee-setting authority was amended	2014
Fee type	Other authorization
Fee amount (\$)	200 per sample for qualitative testing
	275 per sample for quantitative testing
Total fee revenue (\$)	21,164
Adjustment type	Not applicable – fee discontinued
Adjustment rate (% or formula)	Not applicable – fee discontinued
2020 to 2021 fee amount (\$)	Not applicable – fee discontinued
Future fee-adjusted amount (\$)	Not applicable – fee discontinued
Adjustment date	Not applicable – fee discontinued
Fee-adjustment authority	Not applicable – fee discontinued
Service standard	Not applicable
Performance result	Not applicable

Fee grouping	Facility and personal fees under the Research - Sale Services Agreements
Fee	Research – development assistant (outlined in the 1992 Order)

Fee-setting authority	Ministerial order: Treasury Board Research Memorandum of Understanding/Governor in Council St. Hyacinthe, Food Research and Development Centre Fees Order SR/92-478
Year introduced	1992
Last year fee-setting authority was amended	Not applicable
Fee type	Service
Fee amount (\$)	30 per hour
Total fee revenue (\$)	16,967
Adjustment type	Section 17 of the Service Fees Act (Consumer Price Index)
Adjustment rate (% or formula)	2.0%
2020 to 2021 fee amount (\$)	31.27 per hour
Future fee-adjusted amount (\$)	Not applicable
Adjustment date	April 1, 2020
Fee-adjustment authority	Service Fees Act
Service standard	An approval or rejection decision is rendered and communicated from a properly completed application within 10 business days of receipt.
Performance result	Service standard met for all applications received.

Fee grouping	Facility and personal fees under the Research - Sale Services Agreements
Fee	Research – research assistant (outlined in the 1992 Order)
Fee-setting authority	Ministerial order: Treasury Board Research Memorandum of Understanding/Governor in Council St. Hyacinthe, Food Research and Development Centre Fees Order SR/92-478
Year introduced	1992
Last year fee-setting authority was amended	Not applicable
Fee type	Service
Fee amount (\$)	30 per hour
Total fee revenue (\$)	0
Adjustment type	Section 17 of the Service Fees Act (Consumer Price Index)
Adjustment rate (% or formula)	2.0%

2020 to 2021 fee amount (\$)	31.27 per hour
Future fee-adjusted amount (\$)	Not applicable
Adjustment date	April 1, 2020
Fee-adjustment authority	Service Fees Act
Service standard	An approval or rejection decision is rendered and communicated from a properly completed application within 10 business days of receipt.
Performance result	Service standard met for all applications received.

Fee grouping	Facility and personal fees under the Research - Sale Services Agreements
Fee	Research – right of access (outlined in the 1992 Order)
Fee-setting authority	Ministerial order: Treasury Board Research Memorandum of Understanding/Governor in Council St. Hyacinthe, Food Research and Development Centre Fees Order SR/92-478
Year introduced	1992
Last year fee-setting authority was amended	Not applicable
Fee type	Use of Facility
Fee amount (\$)	42 per hour
Total fee revenue (\$)	138,159
Adjustment type	Section 17 of the Service Fees Act (Consumer Price Index)
Adjustment rate (% or formula)	2.0%
2020 to 2021 fee amount (\$)	43.78 per hour
Future fee-adjusted amount (\$)	Not applicable
Adjustment date	April 1, 2020
Fee-adjustment authority	Service Fees Act
Service standard	An approval or rejection decision is rendered and communicated from a properly completed application within 10 business days of receipt.
Performance result	Service standard met for all applications received.

Services Agreements

Fee	Research – scientific professional (outlined in the 1992 Order)
Fee-setting authority	Ministerial order: Treasury Board Research Memorandum of Understanding/Governor in Council St. Hyacinthe, Food Research and Development Centre Fees Order SR/92-478
Year introduced	1992
Last year fee-setting authority was amended	Not applicable
Fee type	Service
Fee amount (\$)	40 per hour
Total fee revenue (\$)	1,580
Adjustment type	Section 17 of the Service Fees Act (Consumer Price Index)
Adjustment rate (% or formula)	2.0%
2020 to 2021 fee amount (\$)	41.70 per hour
Future fee-adjusted amount (\$)	Not applicable
Adjustment date	April 1, 2020
Fee-adjustment authority	Service Fees Act
Service standard	An approval or rejection decision is rendered and communicated from a properly completed application within 10 business days of receipt.
Performance result	Service standard met for all applications received.

Fee grouping	Facility and personal fees under the Research - Sale Services Agreements
Fee	Research – scientific researcher (outlined in the 1992 Order)
Fee-setting authority	Ministerial order: Treasury Board Research Memorandum of Understanding/Governor in Council St. Hyacinthe, Food Research and Development Centre Fees Order SR/92-478
Year introduced	1992
Last year fee-setting authority was amended	Not applicable
Fee type	Service
Fee amount (\$)	63 per hour
Total fee revenue (\$)	25
Adjustment type	Section 17 of the Service Fees Act (Consumer Price Index)

Adjustment rate	2.0%
(% or formula)	
2020 to 2021 fee amount (\$)	65.68 per hour
Future fee-adjusted amount (\$)	Not applicable
Adjustment date	April 1, 2020
Fee-adjustment authority	Service Fees Act
Service standard	An approval or rejection decision is rendered and communicated from a properly completed application within 10 business days of receipt.
Performance result	Service standard met for all applications received.

Endnotes

- i. Service Fees Act, https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/S-8.4/FullText.html
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