

E. INFORMATION SHEET: COSTS



The HRAP can award costs to a party(ies) in certain circumstances (see Rule 13, Costs of the [Rules of Procedure](#)).

In what circumstances can costs be awarded?

If a party believes that another party in the proceeding has acted unreasonably, frivolously, vexatiously or in bad faith, that party can ask the HRAP to award costs.

The party also has to notify other parties in writing before making the request.

The HRAP has the ability to award costs on its own initiative.

How and when can I make a request for costs?

A request for costs may be made verbally at a motion, pre-hearing conference or hearing, or in a written submission to the HRAP at any time before the decision or order is released. Parties will have an opportunity to respond and make submissions about the proposed cost award before the HRAP makes its decision with respect to costs.

Is there a maximum amount of costs that can be awarded?

The maximum amount of costs that can be awarded to a party is \$2500 (plus reasonable disbursements and H.S.T.) for each full day of preparation and/or attendance at a motion, pre-hearing or hearing.

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This information sheet is intended to provide general information to appellants and other related parties regarding the appeal process of the Horse Racing Appeal Panel. It does not constitute legal advice. If any information in this Guide is not consistent with the Rules of Procedure, the Rules of Procedure will prevail.

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