

AUSTRALIAN FEDERATED UNION OF LOCOMOTIVE EMPLOYEES



Circular: 114/22
Ref: QR Stamp Duty
30/11/2022

QR Relocation – Stamp Duty Underpayments

Dear members,

It appears that there have been discrepancies in the way the Stamp Duty component contained within the *Queensland Rail Relocation Benefits Specification* has been paid to Traincrew when transferring into or out of regional depots.

It appears some employees have received a reimbursement based on the stamp duty payable and not the actual property purchase price. If this has happened to you, you may have been incorrectly compensated and may qualify to receive additional funds.

Below are excerpts from the relevant specification.

2.13.2 Stamp duty

Employees will be refunded stamp duty as provided in Appendix 2 for the purchase, to a maximum 5000M², of their principal place of residence (land and residence) or vacant land for the purpose of building a principal place of residence at the new centre.

Appendix 2 – Allowances & Benefits

Stamp duty

Up to \$250,000	\$1.00 per \$100 or part of \$100
Exceeding \$250,000 but not exceeding \$500,000	\$2,500 + \$3.50 for every \$100 or part of \$100 over \$250,000

Below is a table you can use as a guide to determine if you have received your full stamp duty entitlement,

Purchase price = \$470,000

Stamp Duty

$\$470,000 - \$250,000 = \$220,000$

$220,000/100 = 2200$

$2200 \times \$3.50 = \7700

$\$2500 + \$7700 = \$10,200$ the maximum amount that can be claimed

If you believe you have been underpaid the stamp duty benefit, please contact your local AFULE representative or your state office on 3844 9163 or traincrew@afule.org.au

In Solidarity,

Mick McKittrick,
State Secretary