



EQUIPMENT LOAN AGREEMENT

To The Council, Astronomical Association of Queensland

I,.....(full name),

of.....
(full address)

being a financial member of the Astronomical Association of Queensland (AAQ), make application to borrow:

Item of Equipment	Hire charge / month
<input type="checkbox"/> 13" Coultter Dobsonian	\$10
<input type="checkbox"/> Meade 8" LX10 Mike Moy / Albert Zwart / Paul Lapalud (delete as appropriate)	\$20
<input type="checkbox"/> Unitron 3" refractor	\$ 5
<input type="checkbox"/> Illuminated reticle eyepiece	\$ 2
<input type="checkbox"/> Piggy-back camera bracket	\$ 2
<input type="checkbox"/> Camera adaptor	\$ 2
<input type="checkbox"/> ST4 autoguider	\$20

For a period of three months or for a lesser period of.....

I undertake to pay to the AAQ the monthly hire charges nominated above.

The 13" Coultter Dobsonian and the Meade LX10 telescopes must be available for use by others if required for non-members' field nights. (A non-members' field night is any field night in which the AAQ participates that is not organised for the AAQ itself or a section of it – typically school field nights and field nights for other bodies.) If the hirer takes the telescope to non-members' field nights, the above hire charges will be reduced by 50% per field night in any one month. This means that attendance with the telescope at two or more field nights in a month will result in a one-month refund of the hire charge.

I undertake to comply with the borrowing rules as set out below:

1. The loan may be granted upon written application being received from a financial member. If the member ceases to be financial or resigns, the loan is automatically terminated.
2. The Council must be satisfied that the member can reasonably care for, operate, and transport the instrument.
3. The loan shall be for a period of three months or less following which it may be renewed on further application, returned, or allocated to another member.
4. If any of the conditions of the loan are not met the instrument shall be returned.
5. The borrower shall be responsible for ensuring that the instrument is kept in good condition and shall replace any batteries at his/her expense.
6. It is the responsibility of the borrower to make good any damage, whether from leaking batteries or any other cause excepting fair wear and tear.
7. It is the responsibility of the borrower to make good any loss of the instrument or any accessory, whether by insurance or otherwise.
8. The Council must be satisfied that the instrument will be kept at a location that would make it reasonably available for the majority of non-members' field nights.
9. The borrower shall not make any modifications to the instrument or remove it from Queensland without prior written permission from Council.
10. Members hiring telescopes are strongly encouraged to write an article for the AAQ newsletter describing some aspect of their use of the instrument.

Dated thisday of20.....

Signed.....