



# Wayne Lawler Nature Conservation Photography Grant 2025

## Guidelines

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**Opening date:** 1 February 2025

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**Closing date and time:** 5:00 pm Australian Eastern Standard Time, 30 April 2025.

Please take time zone differences into account when submitting your application.

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**Administering entity:** Wildlife Preservation Society of Queensland (Wildlife Queensland)

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**Enquiries:** If you have any questions, please contact us via email at [photographygrant@wildlife.org.au](mailto:photographygrant@wildlife.org.au) or on 07 3844 0129.

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**Current Grant** \$2000

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## **Introduction**

These guidelines outline the eligibility, assessment criteria, application process, and expectations for the Wildlife Queensland Wayne Lawler Nature Conservation Photography Grant. Administered by the Wildlife Preservation Society of Queensland (Wildlife Queensland), this grant supports nature conservation photography projects in partnership with conservation groups in Australia.

Applicants must read these guidelines thoroughly before applying.

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## **About the Grant**

The grant promotes community-based conservation projects through photography, enhances amateur photographers' skills, and helps cover non-equipment costs of conservation photography projects. Applicants must:

- Partner with an Australian conservation group (evidenced by a support letter).
- Use the grant for photographic assistance promoting conservation projects.

**Grant Period:** Projects must be completed within 12 months from grant acceptance (see 'Reporting and Compliance' section).

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## **Eligibility Criteria**

### **Who Can Apply:**

- Amateur photographers aged 18+.
- Australian residents or valid working visa holders.

### **Additional Requirements:**

- Provide a support letter from the partner organisation.
- Submit all mandatory attachments.

**Ineligible Applicants:** Those who fail to meet all criteria.

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## Use of Grant Funds

### Eligible Expenditures:

- Domestic travel (reasonable costs of accommodation and transportation).
- Consumables.
- Computer software under \$100 (Wildlife Queensland prefers applicants to use free software).

### Ineligible Expenditures:

- Costs incurred before grant approval.
- Meals, unrelated travel, wages, and insurance.
- Costs for preparing applications or reports.

Wildlife Queensland decides eligible expenditures and offers guidance upon request.

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## Assessment Criteria

Applications must address the following:

1. **Project Contribution to Conservation:**
    - Explain how photography promotes the conservation project.
    - Detail the partner organisation's aims.
  2. **Capacity and Resources:**
    - Highlight relevant photography experience.
    - Describe the partner organisation's support.
    - Confirm access to necessary equipment and approvals.
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## Application Process

### Steps:

1. Complete the online form at [wildlife.org.au](http://wildlife.org.au).
2. Include:
  - six low-resolution conservation images (max 1MB total).
  - Partner organisation support letter.
3. Ensure the application is accurate and complete.

**Contact:** For assistance, email [photographygrant@wildlife.org.au](mailto:photographygrant@wildlife.org.au) or call 07 3844 0129.

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## Grant Selection Process

Eligible applications are assessed on merit based on:

- Alignment with grant objectives.
- Value for money.
- Potential risks identified by the evaluation committee.

All decisions regarding applications are final, and no further correspondence or discussion will be entered into regarding the outcome.

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## Successful Applications

**Grant Agreement:** Grantees have 14 days to execute the agreement. Wildlife Queensland may terminate funding for agreement breaches. Key conditions include:

- Compliance with all relevant laws.
- Retention of copyright by grantees while granting Wildlife Queensland a perpetual license to use project images for promotional purposes (with attribution).

### Payments:

- Initial payment: 70% upon agreement execution.
- Final payment: 30% upon acquittal.

**Tax Obligations:** GST-registered grantees will receive GST-inclusive payments.

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## Reporting and Compliance

### Requirements:

- Notify Wildlife Queensland of material changes affecting the project or partner organisation.
- Submit a 300-word report for Wildlife Australia magazine at the end of the grant period.
- Allow compliance inspections during or after the project.

**Variations:** Requests for project changes must be made in writing at least one month before the end date. Approval is not guaranteed.

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## Acknowledgment and Probity

**Public Acknowledgment:** Use the phrase: “This project received grant funding through the Wildlife Queensland Wayne Lawler Nature Conservation Photography Grant.”

**Fair Process:** Wildlife Queensland ensures fairness and safeguards against fraud. Complaints can be directed to the Operations Manager at Suite 1, Level 1, 30 Gladstone Road, Highgate Hill, QLD 4101.

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## Contact Details

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These guidelines ensure a transparent and equitable process for the Wildlife Queensland Wayne Lawler Nature Conservation Photography Grant while promoting impactful conservation efforts.

Term	Definition
Amateur photographer	A person who undertakes photography in a non-fulltime job capacity.
Application form	The document issued by Wildlife Queensland that applicants use to apply for grant funding.
Committee	The body established by Wildlife Queensland to consider and assess eligible applications and make decisions.
Eligible activities	The activities undertaken by a grantee in relation to a project that are eligible for funding support as set out in 4.1.
Eligible application	An application or proposal for grant funding that the Committee has determined is eligible for assessment in accordance with these guidelines.
Eligible expenditure	The expenditure incurred by a grantee on a project and which is eligible for funding support as set out in 4.1.
Eligible expenditure guidance	The guidance that is provided
Grant agreement	A legally binding contract between Wildlife Queensland and a grantee.
Grant funding or grant funds	The funding made available by Wildlife Queensland to a grantee.
Grantee	The recipient of grant funding under a grant agreement.
Guidelines	Guidelines developed by Wildlife Queensland to provide the framework for the administration of the grant.
Nature conservation photography	Photography that empowers or enables the conservation of nature.
Personal information	Has the same meaning as in the <i>Privacy Act 1988</i> (Cth)
Project	A project described in an application for grant funding.

Value for money	A judgement based on the grant proposal representing an efficient, effective, economical and ethical use of resources and determined from a variety of considerations.
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