



HARP SOCIETY OF QUEENSLAND INCORPORATED

Application for Pedal Hire of Harp

Applicant to fill in and email to co-ordinator on harpqld@gmail.com

Applicant Full Name:

Name of parent/guardian (if under 18)

Email addressPhone number.....

Residential address.....

Date of application

Date of birth (if under 18).....

Which harp would you prefer to hire (please circle)?

Aoyama Etude 42 String Pedal Harp

Aoyama 46 String Pedal Harp

Are you Initiating harp hire Renewing harp hire (please circle)

When would you like your renting/renewal period to start (month and year)
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Who is your pedal harp teacher?.....

Please contact the HSQ on harpqld@gmail.com and speak to the harp hire coordinator, Jill. Jill will help you choose the harp best suited for you and check the availability of our harps.

Please read the Terms & Conditions for Hire of Harps on the next two pages

Your account details for bond return

Account Name

BSB Account Number.....

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Sign

Print name

Date

Harp Hire Coordinator

CONDITIONS FOR HIRE OF HARPS

1 Terminology

1. The Harp as specified herein refers to the harp, tuning key and tuning key holder.
2. The Hirer refers to the person acquiring the harp from the Harp Society of Queensland Inc. (HSQ) for a specified time by payment of a hire fee.

2 Responsibility

1. The Hirer accepts responsibility for the care and upkeep of the harp, including replacing any broken strings (supplied by HSQ), the cost of which will be deducted from the bond money upon return of the harp.
2. The Hirer undertakes to return the harp in the condition in which it was lent, or to pay for any repairs or replacement costs as deemed necessary by the committee of the HSQ.

3 Terms of Hire and Cost - Aoyama Etude 42 String Pedal Harp and Aoyama 46 String Pedal Harp – Brisbane Metropolitan area only.

1. A BOND of \$500 (returnable at the end of the final hire period) PLUS
 - a) \$1200 for minimum Initial Hire Period of Six calendar months – ie @\$200 per calendar month
 - b) \$600 for each Hire Extension period of three calendar months thereafter, as granted by the HSQ.
2. The Hirer must give the HSQ reasonable notice should the Hirer wish to extend the Initial Hire Period for a Hire Extension Period (and subsequent Hire Extension periods) of three months. The HSQ reserves the right to grant or decline any Hire Extension Period application.
3. Should the harp be returned before the end of any Hire Period, a pro-rata refund of \$25 will be given for every week of unused hire. However, any such refund or refund of Bond shall only be given once the committee of the HSQ is satisfied that the harp has been returned in its original condition.

4 Payment

1. The costs listed above are payable in advance. Payment to be by direct deposit to:

Account name: Harp Society of Queensland Inc.

Account Number: 85-188-0763

BSB: 084-004

Reference: Your Surname

Applications can be considered to split the hire payment of \$1200 into 2 x \$600 payable in advance of each three month period.

2. An OVERDUE FEE of \$50 will apply for each extra week, or part thereof, exceeding the Initial Hire Period or Hire Extension Period.

5 Insurance

The Harp Society of Queensland Inc. has its own insurance arrangements to cover hire harps. Please note that to minimize risk the harp is only to be transported by, and with prior arrangement of, a representative of the HSQ Hire Scheme.

6 Use - Conditions

The Harp is intended for the use of beginners and/or developing players. In addition:

- a) The Harp is not to be used for any monetary gain by the Hirer.
- b) The Harp is not to be used outdoors under any circumstances and must be handled according to the attached document: "Care of Harp".
- c) The Harp must be kept only at the Hirer's place of residence, which must have suitable storage and suitable access for a pedal harp.
- d) The HSQ pedal harps are only available for hire in the Brisbane Metropolitan area.

7 The Hirer

The Hirer must be a current member of the HSQ. Membership is per calendar year and can be taken up online at: <https://www.harpsocietyqld.org.au/membership>

In addition the Hirer MUST be under the tutelage of an approved pedal harp teacher for the duration of hire term. (ie Approved by the Harp Hire Co-ordinator or HSQ Committee.)

8 HSQ

The HSQ has sole discretionary rights to determine eligibility of hire. The HSQ reserves the right to withdraw the Harp from hire at any time should the committee have reason to believe that the above conditions are not being met.

Enquiries to : Jill Atkinson Harp Hire Co-Ordinator, email: harpqld@gmail.com

HSQ HARP HIRE SCHEME – CARE OF HARP

The Harp is never to be taken from your home. Pedal harps are only to be transported by a representative of the HSQ Hire Scheme, and only at the beginning and end of the hire term. Special circumstances could be considered upon prior application (eg to attend an exam or concert performance) but this would be an exceptional instance.

The Harp is never to be left in a parked car.

Never expose the Harp to weather (heat, rain, hail, snow, etc)

The Harp is to be kept out of drafts and sunlight, and away from airconditioners, heaters, windows and damp conditions.

When not in use the Harp is to be kept covered and stood with its back against a wall or chair and protected from animals and children to avoid accidental damage.

Please note that the Harp should be kept well-tuned. Daily tuning keeps the harp easily maintained, reducing the risk of broken strings.

Please notify the HSQ immediately if a string breaks. Broken strings are to be replaced as soon as possible to minimize overstress to the soundboard and to prevent more breakage of strings. To maintain consistency of string quality, HSQ will provide a replacement string from their supply at the expense of the Hirer (to be taken from the Bond at the end of the hire term.)

Please notify HSQ immediately if any part of the Harp is damaged or requires repair. ON NO ACCOUNT ATTEMPT ANY REPAIRS YOURSELF as this could result in greater expense to you in the end.

Cleaning: DO NOT ATTEMPT TO CLEAN THE HARP, APART FROM A LIGHT DUST WITH A DRY SOFT CLOTH.

NB: The Harp Society of Queensland Inc. undertakes to hire our harps in a spirit of good faith. We expect the Hirer to take all due care with these instruments. We reserve the right to withdraw the Harp from hire without notice should we believe the harp is not being correctly cared for.