

# Media release

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## **Airservices supports women's entry into aviation industry**

Time is running out for women to apply for the Airservices-sponsored Australian Women Pilots' Association (AWPA) Flight Training Scholarships, with applications closing at the end of this month.

Airservices spokesperson Rob Walker said the sponsorship recognises the contribution that AWPA, founded by pioneer aviator Nancy-Bird Walton in 1950, makes to Australian aviation.

"We're proud to support the work of the association as they help young women learn to fly and possibly consider a future career in our industry," Mr Walker said.

"The continued sponsorship is part of our wider contribution to promote the aviation industry and we look forward to continuing our association with AWPA."

The Airservices and AWPA scholarships offer flight training opportunities for young women and assist them to complete their flight training.

The scholarships can be used for initial pilot training or towards assisting with the cross-country flying component of a private pilot licence.

"We hope these scholarships will encourage women who are passionate about flying to become active, long-term members of the aviation community and beyond," Mr Walker said.

The scholarships, valued at \$8000 each, are offered over two categories with two scholarships in each. Applicants must be members of the association, demonstrate an aptitude for flying and commitment to aviation and be aged over 16.

More information on the scholarships is available on the [AWPA website](#).

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