

Distributed Generation (over 10kW)

Overview of Stages, Timeframes and Costs

Stage	Timeframe	Costs
Initial application submitted by generator	WEL will respond within 5 working days advising if application is complete	Above 10kW and less than 100kW - \$500 100kW and above but less than 1MW - \$1,000 1MW upwards - \$5,000
Initial application response	WEL will supply information relating to the connection to the generator within 30 working days	Nil
Further information	The generator may request further information relating to their application. WEL must supply this with 10 working days.	Nil
Investigative studies (i.e. load flows, connection designs)	WEL will advise you if you need to undertake any investigative studies. Up to 60 working days	Dependent on size, type and location of generation
Final application	Within 12 months of receiving the information above the generator can make a final application	
Final application approval	Within 45 working days (extensions possible) of the application being received WEL will advise the generator whether or not the application has been approved	
Network changes	Depends on changes needed	Depends on changes needed
Intention to proceed	The generator will advise WEL of their intention to proceed within 30 working days (extensions possible) of receiving the notice of approval for connection from WEL	
Connection agreement	Within 30 days of the notice of intention to proceed a connection agreement must be negotiated	
Inspection and testing	Once generator ready to be activated	Above 10kW and less than 100kW - \$120 100kW upwards \$1,200

All prices quoted are exclusive of GST