

Starting date:

Expected returning date:

Estimated total cost:

Contributors:

Self \$

**Other sources
(identify)**

\$
\$

Total \$

Amount sought from NZERF

\$

Have you received support from the New Zealand Equine Research Foundation before? (Give years):

Signature: _____

Date : _____

APPENDIX III:

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS AND APPLICATION FORM

NEW ZEALAND EQUINE RESEARCH FOUNDATION TRAVEL AWARDS

The Equine Research Foundation may, at its discretion, provide some funds to assist travel. The purposes of the Travel Awards are (1) to disseminate important findings in research funded by ERF, (2) to help raise the level of scientific knowledge and technology resident in New Zealand and available to the equine industry and (3) to assist travel to New Zealand of visitors considered by the Foundation likely to make significant contributions to that knowledge and technology. The funds available for Travel Awards are limited.

ELIGIBILITY

Preference will be given to:

- New Zealand citizens.
- Persons who are receiving, or have received support from the Foundation, for the purpose of presenting the results of their research to appropriate meetings of veterinarians, scientists, owners, trainers or others involved in the equine industry.
- Persons who are overseas, who have gained scientific or technological knowledge or training or skills or experience in fields of specific interest to the equine industry of New Zealand, to return to this country to actively contribute to the equine industry their knowledge, skills, training or experience.
- Persons who have attracted some support to undertake overseas scientific study or research in the fields of the anatomy, physiology, health, nutrition, performance reproduction or management of horses and who after that study or research intend to return to New Zealand.
- Persons from overseas whom the Foundation consider likely to make significant contributions to the knowledge and technology base of the equine industry.

The Foundation will not normally make Travel Awards for the purpose of attending meetings or conferences that are not focused on scientific matters of specific interest to the Equine Industry of New Zealand.

APPLICATIONS

Applications for Travel Awards must be made out on the standard form (NZERF TA, obtainable from the Secretary of the Foundation, C/- Manawatu Racing Centre, PO Box 52, PALMERSTON NORTH and must be sent to the Secretary.

A supporting statement from the Head of the Department, Supervisor or other suitable referee must accompany the application.

CONDITIONS*

The Awards are for transport costs only. The costs of meals, accommodation and travel insurance are the responsibility of the Awardee.

Awardees are expected to travel by the cheapest convenient means available. Discounted Economy airfares should be sought for air travel. Receipts for fares will be required after travel is completed.

A written report will be required within 2 months of returning to New Zealand or arriving at their destination if planning study overseas. This report, or parts thereof, may be published by the NZERF. An electronic copy on either Floppy or CD must also be supplied.

While the Foundation may be sympathetic to a request, it is not obliged to support proposals. In a given year it may support one or more, or none. Further, the Foundation may of its own accord make Awards other than those requested, and these may be outside the preferences listed above.

The level of support offered for any particular travel proposal is entirely at the discretion of the Foundation. Each case will be considered on its merits and in the light of the financial situation of the Foundation at the time.

The Foundation's decision is final: no correspondence will be entered into. Applications for travel close on the 15th of February, June and November each year. Processing is expected to take 5 weeks.

Applicants are advised to plan their travel well ahead. Only in exceptional circumstances will applications be considered at another time in the year .

* *These conditions may be altered for persons from overseas who may be invited to visit New Zealand by the Foundation.*