

Determination 2010/08: Official Travel by Office Holders

- (i) Pursuant to subsections 5(2A), 7(3), 7(3D), and 7(4) of the *Remuneration Tribunal Act 1973*, the Remuneration Tribunal has inquired into the remuneration and allowances to be paid to holders of public office, and other matters significantly related thereto, and determines as set out below.
- (ii) This Determination takes effect on and from 29 August 2010 unless otherwise specified.

PART 1 – TRAVEL ALLOWANCE – OFFICE HOLDERS

- **1.1** In this part, Determination Number 3 of 2004 (as amended) is referred to as the Principal Determination.
- **1.2** The Principal Determination is amended by deleting Schedule A *Remuneration Tribunal Travelling Allowance Rates*, and replacing it with the Schedule A contained in Attachment A to this Determination.
- **1.3** The Principal Determination is amended by deleting the current wording of Clause 1.8 and replacing it with the following wording:

General Principles: In making travel arrangements, office holders are to consider:

- the necessity of travel and potential alternatives to travel, such as teleconferencing or videoconferencing;
- the total cost of travel, including value for money (the 'best deal' for the taxpayer); and
- the flexibility to maintain an appropriate balance between work and home responsibilities, as well as safety and security.
- **1.4** The Principal Determination is amended by deleting the current wording of Clause 1.9 and replacing it with the following wording:

Agency Guidelines: Office holders should comply with the travel-related administrative guidelines put in place by their agency, where these do not conflict with the provisions of this Determination.

1.5 The Principal Determination is amended by deleting the current wording of Clause 2.1 and replacing it with the following wording:

Class of Travel: Where an office holder travels on official business he or she is entitled to travel at the class of travel set out in Table 2A below, according to the travel Tier specified for the office held by the office holder. This does not

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mean that the office holder cannot choose to undertake travel at a lower class if that would be more convenient or appropriate.

Signed this 23rd day of August 2010

Signed John C Conde AO PRESIDENT Signed John B Prescott AC MEMBER Signed Ms Jillian Segal AM MEMBER

SCHEDULE A REMUNERATION TRIBUNAL TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE RATES

A1. Travelling Allowance Rates: The Travelling Allowance rates set out in Table A1.A will apply on and from 29 August 2010 in accordance with the provisions of Part 3 (*Travel Expenses*) of Determination 2004/03.

Table A1.A – Rates of Travelling Allowance (Accommodation, meals and incidentals) per overnight absence.

| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 | Column 4 | |
|--|----------|----------|----------|--|
| | TIER 1 | TIER 2 | TIER 3 | |
| CAPITAL CITIES | | | | |
| Adelaide | \$364 | \$320 | \$268 | |
| Brisbane | \$391 | \$368 | \$312 | |
| Canberra | \$385 | \$318 | \$256 | |
| Darwin | \$420 | \$364 | \$283 | |
| Hobart | \$350 | \$285 | \$228 | |
| Melbourne | \$420 | \$332 | \$284 | |
| Perth | \$430 | \$346 | \$275 | |
| Sydney | \$420 | \$360 | \$294 | |
| COUNTRY CENTRES | 1 | I | | |
| Non- Specified Country Centres (ie not specified below) | \$345 | \$227 | \$194 | |
| NEW SOUTH WALES | | | | |
| Armidale | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 | |
| Bathurst | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 | |
| Broken Hill | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 | |
| Coffs Harbour | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 | |
| Cooma | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 | |
| Dubbo | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 | |
| Gosford | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 | |
| Goulburn | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 | |
| Maitland | \$345 | \$246 | \$222 | |
| Mudgee | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 | |
| Muswellbrook | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 | |
| Newcastle | \$345 | \$267 | \$243 | |
| Orange | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 | |
| Port Macquarie | \$345 | \$250 | \$226 | |
| Queanbeyan | \$345 | \$248 | \$224 | |

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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 | Column 4 |
|--------------------|----------|-------------|----------|
| | TIER 1 | TIER 2 | TIER 3 |
| Tamworth | \$345 | \$246 | \$222 |
| Wagga Wagga | \$345 | \$345 \$252 | |
| Wollongong | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| NORTHERN TERRITORY | | | · |
| Alice Springs | \$345 | \$248 | \$224 |
| Jabiru | \$353 | \$333 | \$309 |
| Katherine | \$345 | \$255 | \$231 |
| Yulara | \$486 | \$466 | \$442 |
| QUEENSLAND | | | · |
| Bundaberg | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Cairns | \$345 | \$258 | \$234 |
| Dalby | \$345 | \$245 | \$221 |
| Emerald | \$345 | \$254 | \$230 |
| Gladstone | \$345 | \$253 | \$229 |
| Gold Coast | \$345 | \$270 | \$246 |
| Hervey Bay | \$345 | \$254 | \$230 |
| Horn Island | \$345 | \$304 | \$280 |
| Innisfail | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Kingaroy | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Mackay | \$345 | \$267 | \$243 |
| Mount Isa | \$345 | \$293 | \$269 |
| Rockhampton | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Roma | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Thursday Island | \$345 | \$315 | \$291 |
| Toowoomba | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Townsville | \$345 | \$259 | \$235 |
| Weipa | \$345 | \$273 | \$249 |
| VICTORIA | | | |
| Ararat | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Bairnsdale | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Ballarat | \$345 | \$257 | \$233 |
| Bendigo | \$345 | \$257 | \$233 |
| Bright | \$345 | \$248 | \$224 |
| Castlemaine | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Echuca | \$345 | \$257 | \$233 |
| Geelong | \$345 | \$256 | \$232 |
| Hamilton | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Horsham | \$345 | \$248 | \$224 |

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| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 | Column 4 |
|-------------------|----------|-------------|----------|
| | TIER 1 | TIER 2 | TIER 3 |
| Mildura | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Portland | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Seymour | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Swan Hill | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Warrnambool | \$345 | \$249 | \$225 |
| Wonthaggi | \$345 | \$257 | \$233 |
| SOUTH AUSTRALIA | | | |
| Bordertown | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Ceduna | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Kadina | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Mount Gambier | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Naracoorte | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Port Augusta | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Port Lincoln | \$345 | \$247 | \$223 |
| Renmark | \$345 | \$245 | \$209 |
| Whyalla | \$345 | \$253 | \$229 |
| Wilpena Pound | \$345 | \$277 | \$253 |
| WESTERN AUSTRALIA | | | |
| Albany | \$345 | \$253 | \$229 |
| Broome | \$369 | \$349 | \$325 |
| Bunbury | \$345 | \$257 | \$233 |
| Carnarvon | \$345 | \$281 | \$257 |
| Dampier | \$345 | \$309 | \$285 |
| Derby | \$345 | \$316 | \$292 |
| Esperance | \$345 | \$253 | \$229 |
| Exmouth | \$345 | \$325 | \$301 |
| Geraldton | \$345 | \$268 | \$244 |
| Halls Creek | \$345 | \$282 | \$258 |
| Kalgoorlie | \$345 | \$273 | \$249 |
| Karratha | \$440 | \$420 | \$396 |
| Kununurra | \$345 | \$317 | \$293 |
| Newman | \$350 | \$330 | \$306 |
| Port Hedland | \$425 | \$405 | \$381 |
| TASMANIA | | | |
| Burnie | \$345 | \$260 \$236 | |
| Devonport | \$345 | \$263 | \$239 |
| Launceston | \$345 | \$250 | \$226 |

| Column 1 | Column 2 | Column 3 | Column 4 |
|-------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| | TIER 1 | TIER 2 | TIER 3 |
| EXTERNAL TERRITORIES | | | |
| Christmas Island | \$345 | \$285 | \$261 |
| Cocos (Keeling) Islands | \$345 | \$245 | \$221 |
| Norfolk Island | \$345 | \$267 | \$243 |

A2. Meal and Incidental Components: The rates set out in Table A2.A provide the relevant meal and incidental components of the Travelling Allowance rates set out in Table A1.A. These rates are specified for the purposes of clauses 3.5, 3.6 and 3.7 of Determination 2004/03.

Table A2.A – Meals and Incidentals Components

| | High Cost Centres (including capital cities) | | Centres | pecified C (including d in Table <i>F</i> | centres | |
|-------------|---|--------|---------|--|---------|--------|
| | Tier 1 | Tier 2 | Tier 3 | Tier 1 | Tier 2 | Tier 3 |
| Breakfast | \$27 | \$26 | \$24 | \$27 | \$24 | \$21 |
| Lunch | \$38 | \$36 | \$26 | \$38 | \$24 | \$24 |
| Dinner | \$65 | \$50 | \$45 | \$65 | \$46 | \$41 |
| Incidentals | \$25 | \$25 | \$17 | \$25 | \$25 | \$17 |
| Total | \$155 | \$137 | \$112 | \$155 | \$119 | \$103 |

Table A2.B – Group 2 Country Centres (refer Table A1)

| Country Centre | Country Centre |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Ararat (VIC) | Kingaroy (QLD) |
| Armidale (NSW) | Mildura (VIC) |
| Bairnsdale (VIC) | Mount Gambier (SA) |
| Bathurst (NSW) | Mudgee (NSW) |
| Bordertown (SA) | Muswellbrook (NSW) |
| Broken Hill (NSW) | Naracoorte (SA) |
| Bundaberg (QLD) | Orange (NSW) |
| Castlemaine (VIC) | Port Augusta (SA) |
| Ceduna (SA) | Portland (VIC) |
| Coffs Harbour (NSW) | Renmark (SA) |
| Cooma (NSW) | Rockhampton (QLD) |
| Dubbo (NSW) | Roma (QLD) |

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| Gosford (NSW) | Seymour (VIC) |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Goulburn (NSW) | Swan Hill (VIC) |
| Hamilton (VIC) | Toowoomba (QLD) |
| Innisfail (Qld) | Wollongong (NSW) |
| Kadina (SA) | |