

## **Remuneration Tribunal**

## Travelling Allowance Rates for Public Office Holders and Parliamentarians

## **STATEMENT**

The Remuneration Tribunal has reviewed and updated the domestic travelling allowance amounts for offices within its jurisdiction, including for judicial offices and parliamentarians. In some cases the rates have remained static in others there have been minor increases

The new rates, which will take effect on and from 30 August 2015, are contained in Determinations 2015/11: Official Travel by Office Holders and 2015/12: Members of Parliament – Travelling Allowance.

As in previous years, the rates closely reflect the amounts determined each year by the Australian Taxation Office as reasonable travel expense amounts (see *Taxation Determination 2015/14: Income tax: what are the reasonable travel and overtime meal allowance expense amounts for the 2015-16 income year?*).

This year, the Tribunal has left the motor vehicle allowance provisions and rates in Determination 2015/11 unchanged pending the passage of legislation giving effect to the Government's proposed changes to the methods used to calculate work-related car expense deductions. The Tribunal will review the provisions and rates again once the legislation has passed.

For further information concerning Determination 2015/12 see its accompanying *Reasons for Determination* statement.

The Tribunal's determinations and statements are available on its website - http://www.remtribunal.gov.au/.

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