

## **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 most cases the rates have increased slightly.

The new rates, which will take effect on and from 27 August 2017, are contained in Determinations 2017/15: Official Travel by Office Holders and 2017/16: 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 2017/19: Income tax: what are the reasonable travel and overtime meal allowance expense amounts for the 2017-18 income year?*).

The Canberra Allowance for Justices of the High Court has been adjusted in line with the increase in the travelling allowance rate for Canberra. The new rate is contained in *Determination 2017/09: Judicial and Related Offices – Remuneration and Allowances.* 

Motor vehicle allowance provisions and rates are unchanged from those contained in the previous determinations.

For further information about Determination 2017/16 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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