

Hairdresser or Beauty Therapist



Are you a part of the hairdressing or beauty therapy industry? You should know what you can claim, as well as what you cannot. Here are all the details you need

A deduction is applicable if:

- ✓ You did not get a reimbursement
- ✓ You spent the money from your own pocket
- ✓ The purchase is directly related to your earning ability
- ✓ You have a receipt or any record that shows the purchase

✗ Expenses for personal use will not be claimable.

Tools and Equipment Expenses

You can claim a deduction for any of the following tools and equipment expenses:

- ✓ Hairstyling tools
- ✓ Haircutting tools
- ✓ Any supplies relating to work and even for personal use (such as using a styling tool at home which you also use at work)
- ✓ Repairs of tools and equipment for work but not for home or personal use

Immediate deductions are granted for work equipment that costs \$300 or less. For those over the amount, the deduction will be spread over a certain number of years.

✗ If your employer or another person gave you the tools you use, you cannot get a deduction from it. Beauty products and tools used for personal grooming cannot be claimed.

Car Expenses

The claimable expenses are:

- ✓ Driving between two separate jobs with different employers on the same day
- ✓ Different locations for the same employer, such as another salon location under the same company

✗ You cannot claim, however, the normal trips you pay to go to work from your house. You also cannot claim deductions when working outside business hours or during the weekend to buy supplies. Parking fees, tools, and other expenses cannot be claimed as well.

Travel Expenses

Hairdressers and beauty therapists can claim a deduction for travel expenses if they:

- ✓ Needed to travel and stay overnight in a different location
- ✓ The reason for travelling is related to their regular work duties
- ✓ Attended a work-related conference or seminar
- ✓ Participated in a training course relating to the job
- ✓ Attended an industry promotion

Deductions cover incidental expenses that the employer did not repay, along with meals, accommodation, and fare charges.

✗ If the travel is paid for by the employer, client, or any person, it is not claimable. Travel allowances are not deemed proof of the overnight stay. The employee is required to show evidence, including receipts and that the travel was related to earning income.

Clothing Expenses

Claimable expenses for clothing costs are:

- ✓ Buying uniforms with your employer's logo
- ✓ Renting, repairing, and cleaning the uniforms
- ✓ Protective clothing required for work, such as gloves and masks

✗ Deductions are not applicable if the employer already paid for the expenses mentioned above. You also cannot claim deductions for regular clothing you wear at work, even if your employer requires you to wear them.

Other Expenses

All expenses relating to your employment can be claimed, such as:

- ✓ Phone calls
- ✓ Fees, including union and professional association-related costs
- ✓ Subscriptions to publications, both technical and professional

