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- The introduction in Finance Act 2022 of Section 897C of the TCA 1997 will require employers to report to Revenue details of expenses/benefits provided to employees and/or directors.
- Employers will be required to make a report to Revenue where a payment is made to an employee or director under one or more of the following categories:
  - Travel & Subsistence
  - Small benefits-vouchers
  - Remote Working Daily Allowance
- Subject to commencement order and will be introduced on a phased basis to begin on 1 January 2024

- Building on principles of real time reporting
  - Report as part of existing processes.
- Will allow for the provision of meaningful and effective high-level data to Department of Finance
- Enhancement of Revenue's Compliance Intervention Framework.
- Diversion of resources and contacts away from compliant employers
- Providing increased visibility and assurance to employees in relation to non-taxable payments.

- ERR will leverage existing design principles
- Revenue will provide a facility in ROS to enable employers to:
  - submit, amend and correct ERR data
  - check data at submission level

This will facilitate employers in submitting this information

- Revenue will provide facilities to 3<sup>rd</sup> Party software providers to integrate with Revenue systems
- Functionality for employees to view the employer submissions in myAccount will be available in 2024
- High level report to be available for Employer via ROS to provide totals of the categories submitted for the month.

Expenses and Benefits to be reported from 1 January 2024

<u>Travel & Subsistence</u> (date and amount paid for each of the following)

- Travel Vouched
- Travel Unvouched
- Subsistence Vouched
- Subsistence Unvouched
- Site Based Employees (includes Country Money)
- Emergency Travel
- Eating on Site

#### Small benefits – vouchers

Amount paid and date

(max 2 benefits cannot exceed €1,000)

#### Remote Working Daily Allowance

- Number of days
- Amount paid and date

More information on the above is available on <u>www.revenue.ie</u>

- Only expenses incurred by the employee will be reported.
- The use of company credit cards or prepaid cards are not currently in the scope of ERR as it does not involve a payment in regard to T&S to the employee by their employer.
- No reporting will be required outside of the definition of an employee or director as set out in legislation.
- Fuel cards, toll tags, car insurance and motor tax if paid directly by the employer are not within the scope of reporting as no payment has been made to the employees or directors.

- Country money is included in Travel and Subsistence under site based employees.
- There will be no requirement for the reporting of kilometres travelled under the Travel category.
- Any payment made which exceeds the thresholds will be subject to the normal rules for taxable payments.



16th March 2023

#### Seeking engagement from Software Providers

#### **Enhanced Reporting Requirements**

The introduction in Finance Act 2022 of Section 897C of the TCA 1997, will require employers to report to Revenue, details of small benefit, remote working daily allowance and travel and subsistence payments made to employees and/or directors. The requirement to provide this information will commence in 2024.

In preparation for this, Revenue is seeking the engagement of relevant software providers to ensure that their services will integrate with Revenue systems thus allowing employers comply with the new reporting requirements.

A short webinar will be held on 23rd March for relevant parties to give an overview of this process.

Software providers interested in attending should email pims@revenue.ie by 21# March 2023\*.

The following information should be included in the email:

- Name
- Company Name
- Contact email
- Position in company
- VAT Registration Number

In a similar way to the introduction of real time payroll reporting and prior to the start of electronic submission, facilities will be made available to allow stakeholders test integration with Revenue systems to ensure its successful implementation. Further information will be provided on the day.

\*If you are unable to attend this event, please submit your interest in attending future events.

Copy of notice issued in March 2023 for engagement from Software Providers to attend service user group (SUG) meetings to discuss this reporting requirement.

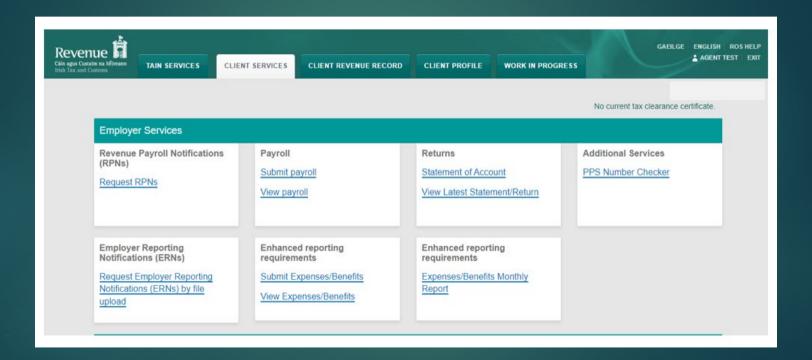
We are urging employers to contact their software providers and advise them to engage with Revenue as soon as possible.

For anyone wishing to attend these meeting they should send their request to <a href="mailto:pims@revenue.ie">pims@revenue.ie</a>

#### What's happening now:

- Revenue systems ongoing analysis and development
- Extensive engagement is ongoing with relevant stakeholders, as listed below, to ensure seamless integration with Revenue IT Systems:
- Software providers
- Employers and tax agents
- Representative bodies

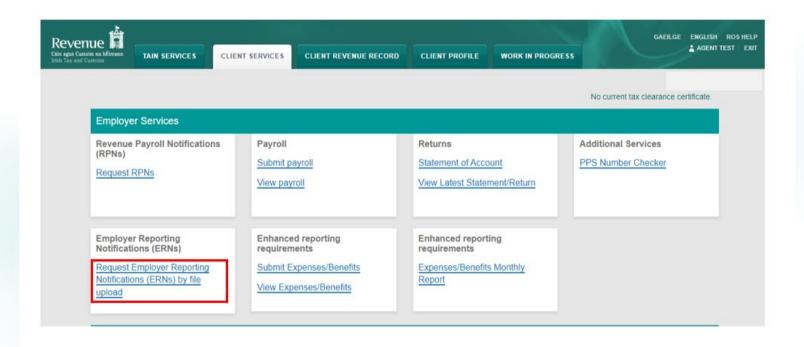
# Draft Enhanced Reporting ROS Screens



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Request Employer Reporting Notification (ERNs) by file upload

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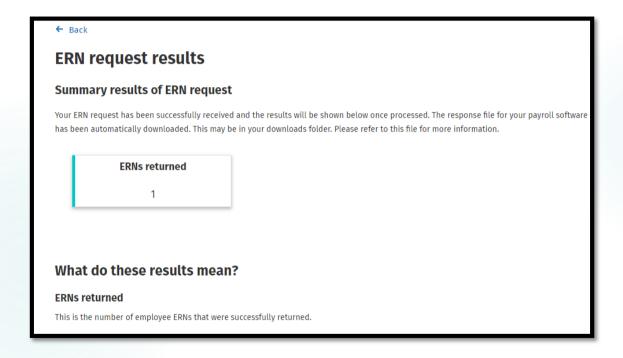
#### Request ERNs by file upload

Upload your request file to automatically retrieve, in a downloadable file, ERNs for your existing or new employees. Your request file must be in either JSON or XML format.

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**Sign and Submit** 

### ERN results screen

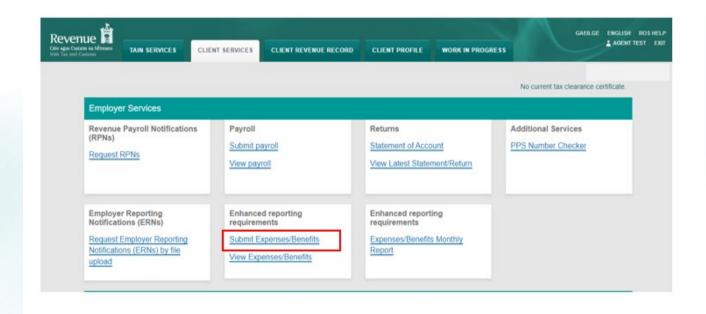


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Submit expenses and benefits by:

- File upload
- Online form

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#### **Enhanced Reporting Requirements**

← ROS homepage

#### **Submit Expenses/Benefits**

#### Upload expense(s)/benefit(s) file

If your software produces a file with your expense/benefit details, you can upload it here. Your file must be either in JSON or XML format.

Submit expense/benefit by file upload

#### Complete online form

If you do not have a file to upload, you can manually enter your expense/benefit details by using our online form.

Submit expense/benefit by online form

# Submit Expenses and benefits by file upload

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# Expense Submission Received



#### Expense submission received

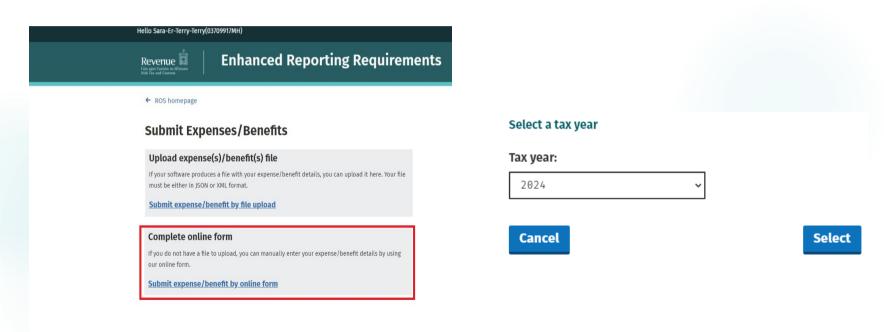
Your file has been successfully received. The status of your submission is shown below. You can also access these details at any time through "View expense" in Employer Services. Acknowledgement ID: 23d375aa-6ecd-43b3-83fc-0343de24054d (i) Download acknowledgement & Details Submission ID: test-submission-1-fran1 Enhanced Reporting reference: test-run-frant Status: Completed V The response file for your expense software has been automatically downloaded. This may be in your downloads folder. View expense results You can view the results of this submission through the "View expense submission" button. View expense submission Alternatively, you can click "View expense run" to see the full details for all submissions within the expense run. View expense run

ROS homepage

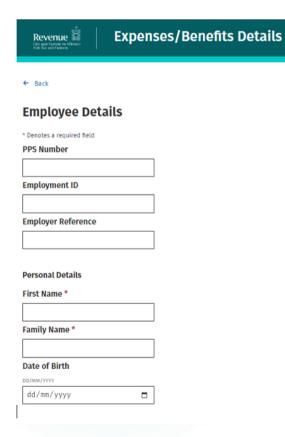
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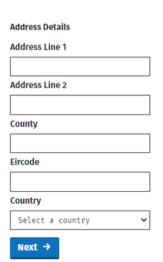
Submit expenses and benefits by online form

The following slides show the flow when submitting an online form









- Depending on the information available the user will have to complete different fields when submitting a claim
- Where a PPSN or employment ID are not available the following fields are completed.
- >>Employer reference>> Personal Details>> Date of Birth and Address details
- Where the PPSN and employment ID are available the following fields are completed
- >>Employee details and Personal details



#### **Expense/Benefit Details**

	Expense/Benefit Details
Denotes a required field	Category *
Employee Details	Travel and Subsistence 🗸
Employee Name	Sub Category *
Patrick Star	Travel Vouched 🗸
PPS Number	Amount/Value *
	50.00
Employment ID	Date Of Payment/Benefit *
	DD/MM/YYYY
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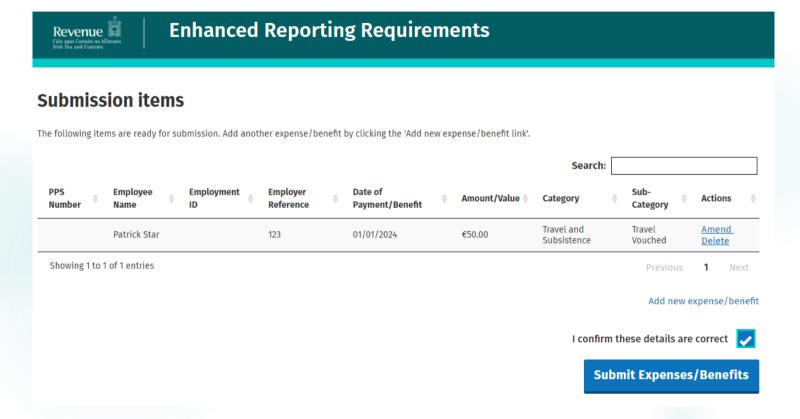


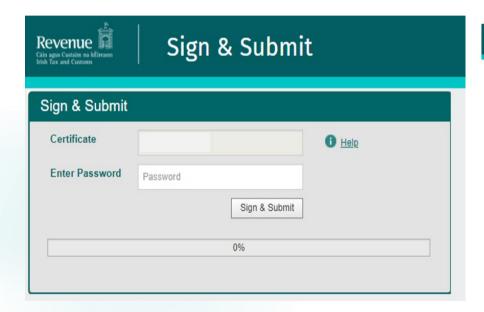
#### Your expense/benefit has been added and is ready to be submitted.

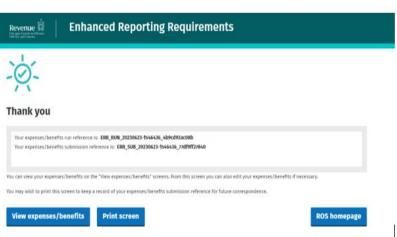
You can submit it on the expense/benefits submission screen.
Would you like to add another expense/benefit for this employee?

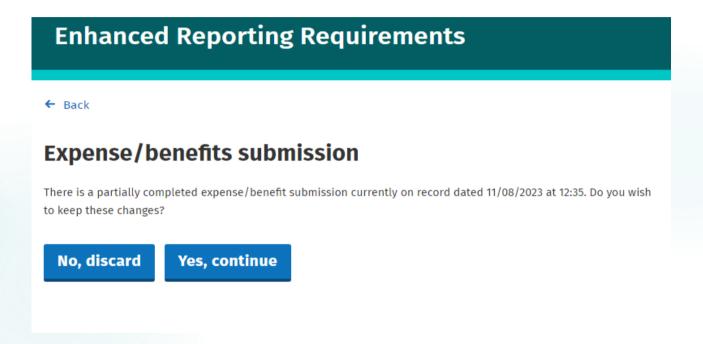
Yes, add another expense/benefit for this employee

Continue

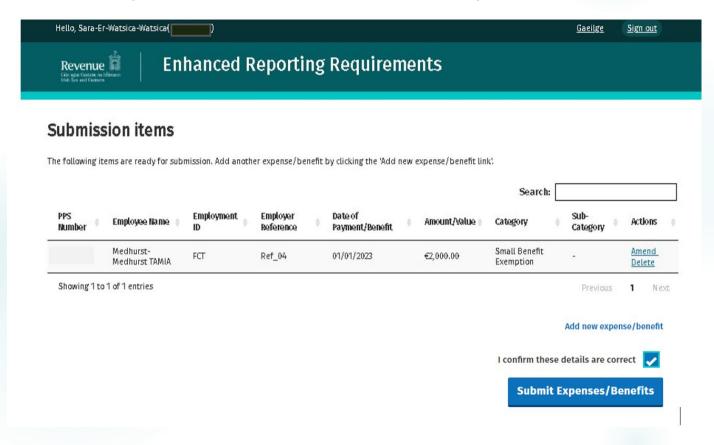






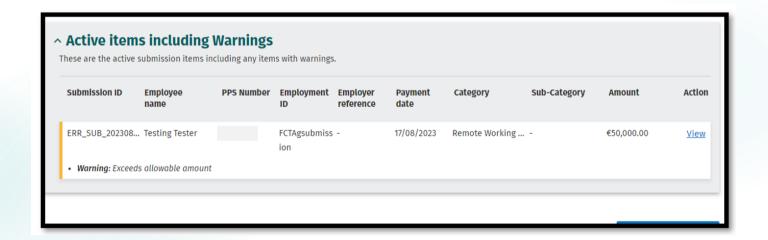


The above message will display where there is a partially saved submission.





A warning will be returned where the value of the benefit has been exceed

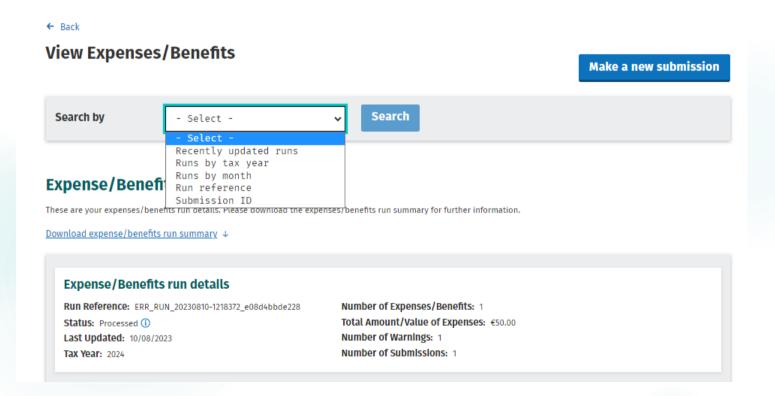


A warning will be returned where the allowable amount has been exceeded for Remote Working Daily Allowance.

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ROS Display expenses and benefits to Employer

### View expense/benefits submission screens



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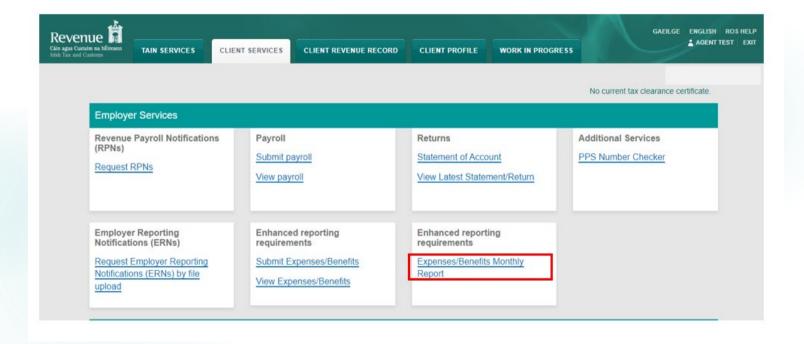
#### **View Expenses/Benefits** Make a new submission Search Search by - Select -**Recently updated runs** The following expenses/benefits runs were recently submitted/updated. If your recent submission is not shown below, please search using the expense/benefit run reference or by period. Please do not resubmit your expense. Expense/Benefits run details Number of Expenses/Benefits: 1 Run Reference: ERR RUN 20230810-1218372 e08d4bbde228 Total Amount/Value of Expenses: €50.00 Status: Processed (i) Number of Submissions: 1 Last Updated: 10/08/2023 Tax Year: 2024 View expenses/benefits run

Recently updated runs

## Draft Enhanced Reporting ROS Screens

Display Expense/Benefit monthly report

## Draft Expense/Benefit Monthly Report



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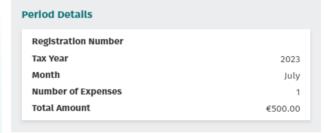
### Draft Expense/Benefit Monthly Report

#### Your Expenses/Benefits Monthly Report



This report will not be saved. If you wish to maintain a copy you will need to select the print option. Only Expenses/Benefits with pay dates in the requested month are included in the totals.

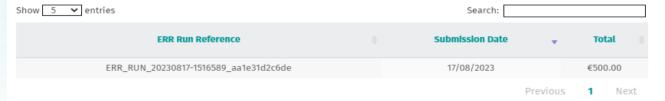
This information is accurate as of 17/08/2023.



## Expenses/Benefits Totals By Category and Sub-Category Category/Sub-Category Small Benefit Exemption €500.00

#### **Enhanced Reporting Run Reference Details**

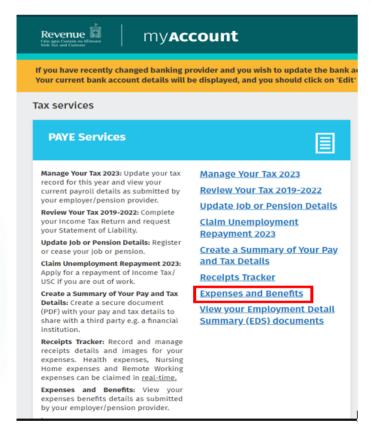
Run references with Expenses/Benefits submitted with pay dates in the requested month are shown below. Run references may contain submissions for multiple months.



## Draft myAccount screens

Display expenses and benefits to Employee

## Draft myAccount screen

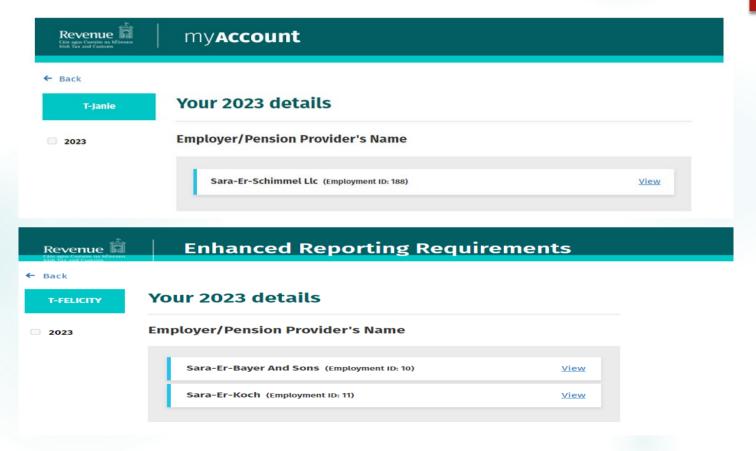


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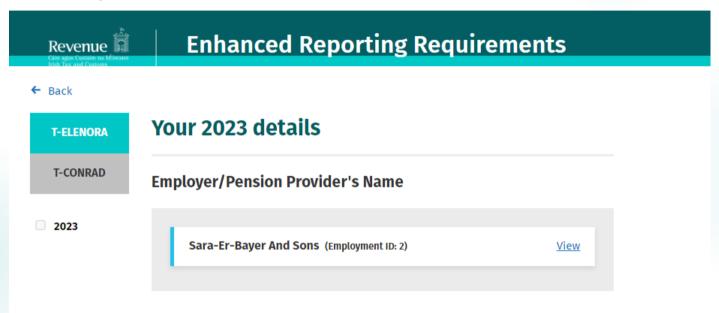


The employee will be able to view all expense/benefits submitted by the employer by clicking on view

## Draft myAccount screen - Employments



## Draft myAccount screen – Joint Assessment



## Draft myAccount screen

#### Expenses and Benefits reported by the following employer/pension provider

The expenses and benefits shown reflect the information submitted by your employer/pension provider.



#### **Expense and Benefit details**

These are your expenses and benefits details for the selected tax year. If you have any queries regarding the details reported below, please contact your employer/pension provider in the first instance. If you continue to have concerns regarding the details reported, please contact Revenue through MyEnquiries.

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Payment date	Category	Sub-Category	Amount	Action
17/08/2023	Travel and Subsistence	Travel Vouched	€100.00	View
17/08/2023	Travel and Subsistence	Travel Unvouched	€300.00	View

### Further information

- An <u>ERR</u> hub page can be found on the Revenue website and is located under:
  - employing people
  - becoming an employer and ongoing obligations
  - ▶ There is also a short URL <u>www.revenue.ie/ERR</u>



## ERR – 'Reportable Benefits'

**Small Benefit Exemption** 

**Remote Working Daily Allowance** 

**Travel & Subsistence** 



## **Small Benefit Exemption**

- Tax exempt voucher or benefit (tangible asset) other than cash
- First & second incentive qualifies up to a total value of €1,000 per annum
- Cannot be deemed part of any salary sacrifice arrangement
- Any further payment over the threshold, PAYE, USC and PRSI will be chargeable

To note: If this benefit is in excess of the threshold, the <u>total amount</u> is taxable



## **Remote Working Daily Allowance**

- Tax-free payment of €3.20 per day to employees for each day worked from home to cover expenses incurred such as broadband, heating and electricity costs
- Conditions:
  - Agreement between employer and employee under which the employee works from home,
  - Employee performs substantive duties at home, and
  - Duties are performed for substantial periods at home.
- Includes logging onto computer from home, sending/receiving emails, developing/completing services remotely
- · Does not include employees who bring work home outside of normal working hours
- Amounts in excess of €3.20 per workday will be subject to PAYE, USC and PRSI in the normal manner



#### General Application:

- Reimbursement of costs sustained by employee where travel is undertaken for business
- Includes vouched based reimbursement e.g. receipts, and application of agreed rates (unvouched) e.g. use of Civil Service
  mileage and subsistence rates
- Round sum allowances subject to PAYE, USC and PRSI
- 'Normal place of work' underpins tax treatment could have more than one
- Exclusions:
  - Payments via company credit cards or direct payments to supplier
  - Reimbursed costs to volunteers



ERR T&S reportable sub-categories:

Vouched travel & subsistence

Unvouched travel & subsistence

Site based employees

**Emergency travel** 

Eating on site allowance



#### **Vouched T&S:**

- · Reimbursement of costs incurred when carrying out duties of employment
- · Provision of receipts to support payment including details of travel incurred

#### Specific exemptions:

- Irish resident NEDs v's non-Irish resident NEDs
- Inbound temporary assignees 12 months subsistence (<24 month assignment)
- Outbound assignees subsistence rates differ if < or > 6 months in duration



#### **Unvouched T&S:**

#### Mileage Rates:

- Application of Civil Service mileage rates use of private vehicle for business travel
- EV rate based on 1201cc 1500cc
- 'Normal place of work' not home | employer's base | more than one
- 'Lesser of' rule home / normal place of work & temporary work location

#### Subsistence:

- Day allowances 5 to 10 hours | 10 hours or more (continuous absence | >8kms)
- Overnight allowance (> 100kms home / normal place of work)
  - Normal rate (up to 14 nights) | reduced rate (next 14 nights) | detention rate (next 28 nights)
- · Domestic rates and international rates

#### Records:

- . The name and address of the director or employee,
- The date of the journey,
- · The reason for the journey,
- The kilometres travelled.
- . The starting point, destination and finishing point of the journey, and
- The basis for the reimbursement of travel and subsistence expenses [e.g. an overnight stay away from an individual's normal place of work].



## **Civil Service T&S Rates**

#### Motor travel rates per kilometre

	Engine capacity		
Distance Bands	Up to 1200cc	1201cc to 1500cc	1501cc and over
Band 1: 0 – 1,500 km	41.80 cent	43.40 cent	51.82 cent
Band 2: 1,501 – 5,500 km	72.64 cent	79.18 cent	90.63 cent
Band 3: 5,501 – 25,000 km	31.78 cent	31.79 cent	39.22 cent
Band 4: 25,001 km and over	20.56 cent	23.85 cent	25.87 cent

#### Standard domestic subsistence rates – effective from 1 September 2022

Overnight rates				
Normal rate	Reduced rate	Detention rate		
€167.00	€150.30	€83.50		

Day rates remain		
10 hours or more	5 hours or more but less than 10 hours	
€39.08	€16.29	



## Site based employees

#### **Travel & Subsistence e.g. Country Money**

- No fixed base | substantive duties at different locations e.g. construction & building industry
- Expenses may be paid tax free to a site-based employee (known as 'country money' in the construction industry)
  - up to €181.68 per week

#### Conditions:

- Employee is working at a site that is 32km (20 miles) or more from the employer's base
- Employee incurs expense of travelling & accommodation
- Recruited to work at more than one site
- · Excludes 'jobbed on site' employees

#### **Eating on Site Allowance**

- Site-based employees no facilities provided e.g. tea/coffee
- Employee does not receive any other form of tax-free subsistence payments
- Individual works on the site for at least 1.5 hours before and after lunch break
- Maximum allowance of €5 per day



# Emergency Travel

- Requirement to attend **normal place of work** to deal with an emergency
- · Subject to conditions, reimbursed without deduction of tax
- Outside of their normal working hours
- 'Specialist skill' requirement | 'call-outs'
- · Maximum of 60 emergencies per annum
- · Does not include staff replacement | staff shortage



## Considerations

- Information collation: payroll, HR, expense systems
- Sub-category identification: are changes to data input functions required
- Submission and interface with ROS: how will the information be uploaded to Revenue
- Frequency of reimbursement: should timing of expense payments be re-considered
- PAYE Settlement Agreements (PSA): consider if a PSA is appropriate and implement within your internal compliance framework
- Expense policies | remote working policy | control & approval procedures: review existing practices to ensure alignment with legislation and Revenue guidance

Opportunity to take action before ERR go-live date - January 2024



