

Following is a list of suggested tax deductions, which may be available to you as a Hairdresser. However, everyone's situation will be different and it is recommended that you talk to us about any expenses you wish to claim.

The Australian Taxation Office has issued a ruling (TR95/16) relating specifically to Hairdressers, which lists the following as allowable deductions.

- Telephone calls and depreciation of answering machine, telephone, mobile phone
- Protective clothing (eg. Aprons, gloves)
- Cost of uniforms and laundry of uniforms
- Cost of attending competitions, conferences, seminars, shows and training
- Depreciation of computers and software
- Depreciation of equipment
- Home office expenses
- Motor vehicle expenses
- Automobile Association/Club membership annual fees (eg. NRMA)
- Parking fees and tolls while traveling between two places of work or for education purposes
- Depreciation of a professional library
- Self education expenses if directly related to work
- Purchase of journals, periodicals and magazines related to hairdressing
- Depreciation of cost of tools and equipment
- Annual union or professional association fees

In addition to these specific deductions, the following general expenses are also allowable:

- Taxation and accountancy fees
- Bank Charges on your work-related or investment accounts
- Donations to registered charities (only where you haven't received anything for your donation – raffle tickets, novelty items etc)
- Income Protection Insurance

It is advisable to keep receipts for *all* purchases relating to your work even if they are not listed above. We can then advise you whether a claim can be made or not.

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