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Department of Finance

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Circular 18/2000: Motor Mileage Allowances

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1. I am directed by the Minister for Finance to say that he has accepted an agreed recommendation of the General Council under the scheme of Conciliation and Arbitration for the Civil Service in regard to a general review of motor mileage arrangements for civil servants. General Council Report 1369 refers. The new arrangements involve a simplified mileage rate structure with two rates in each of three new car sizes to replace the present structure. The new rates and structure (details of which are shown in Schedule I to this Circular) will apply with effect from 1 January 1999. Reduced mileage rates which apply to travel in certain special circumstances, as outlined in previous Circulars, are also shown in Schedule I. The equivalent Euro rates are shown in Schedule II to this Circular.
2. Payment of the rates authorised in this circular will be subject to the regulations issued with Circular 11/82 and any other instructions in force from time to time.
3. In accordance with the Council's recommendation, all officers will now have a common mileage year with effect from 1 January 1999. This will run from 01 January to 31 December each year. Accordingly, when calculating the arrears due to individual officers under this Circular it should be assumed that his/her mileage year began on 1 January 1999, regardless of when his/her mileage year currently begins.
4. Serving officers whose current cars are between 1,138cc and 1,200cc will be allowed avail of the rates applying to the new middle car category (engine capacity of 1,201cc to 1,500cc) on a personal basis from 1 January 1999 to 31 May 2004, provided that they have not changed or do not change to a car which is under 1,138cc during this period.
5. Serving officers whose current cars are between 1,388cc and 1,500cc will be allowed avail of the rates applying to the new large car category (engine capacity of 1,501cc and over) on a personal basis from 1 January 1999 to 31 May 2004, provided that they have not changed or do not change to a car which is under 1,388 cc during this period.
6. Heads of Departments should continue to ensure that only essential travel is undertaken and that the number of officers on any official journey is kept to the absolute minimum.

7. Any telephone enquiries about this circular from Departments should be made to (01) 6767571, Extension 5426 or VPN 8109-5426. Personal enquiries from individual officers should be addressed to the Personnel Unit of the employing Department/Office.

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To/All Departments etc.

SCHEDULE I

Motor Mileage Rates Effective from 1 January 1999

Official Mileage in a calendar year	Engine Capacity up to 1,200cc	Engine Capacity 1,201cc to 1,500cc	Engine Capacity 1,501cc and over
	pence	pence	pence
Up to 4,000	53.11	61.41	75.64
4,001 and over	28.10	31.50	34.59

Reduced Motor Mileage Rates Effective from 1 January 1999

Engine Capacity up to 1,200cc	Engine Capacity 1,201cc to 1,500cc	Engine Capacity 1,501cc and over
pence	pence	pence
19.87	22.09	24.96

SCHEDULE II - EURO RATES

Motor Mileage Rates Effective from 1 January 1999 (euro *)

Official Mileage in a calendar year	Engine Capacity up to 1,200cc	Engine Capacity 1,201cc to 1,500cc	Engine Capacity 1,501cc and over
	cent	cent	cent
Up to 4,000	67.44	77.97	96.04
4,001 and over	35.68	40.00	43.92

Reduced Motor Mileage Rates Effective from 1 January 1999 (euro *)

Engine Capacity up to 1,200cc	Engine Capacity 1,201cc to 1,500cc	Engine Capacity 1,501cc and over
cent	cent	cent
25.23	28.05	31.69

* 1 euro = £0.787564