Circular 63/79: Reduced Motor Mileage Rates

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I am directed by the Minister for the Public Service to say that the reduced mileage rates set out in Circular 57/75 viz. 5.6p, 6.3p, or 7.2p as appropriate, have been examined by a sub-committee of the General Council.

2 Following the sub-committee's report, the General Council has recommended (Report No 852), that the reduced motor mileage rates to be paid from 1 January 1979 until further notice should be 7.9p (under 10 HP), 8.8p (10 HP and under 12 HP), and 9.8p (12 HP and over).

3 The Minister has accepted the recommendations of the General Council and the application of the revised rates is authorised accordingly.

4 The revised reduced mileage rates may, where appropriate, continue to be paid in respect of travel in certain special circumstances e.g. in respect of visits in search of accommodation at a new station in advance of actual transfer, visits to family where an officer is on temporary transfer, visits to family at the old station pending their moving to accommodation at the new station. Departments are reminded that, where public transport is available, the travelling expenses to be recouped in respect of such travel should be (a) the cost by public transport or (b) the cost of the appropriate reduced motor mileage rate, whichever is the lesser.

5 The usual regulations relating to the use of private motor cars on official business will continue to apply.

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