



Work Expense Claim Guide

Introduction

The Parliamentary Expenses Management System (PEMS) modernises and streamlines the management, processing, and reporting of Office expenditure.

Please refer to the tables in this guide to select the most appropriate codes for your Office and staff related work expense claims. To ensure work expenses are reported correctly, PEMS uses a set of codes to categorise goods and services based on what is being claimed. Each claim is broken into three tiers:



Example: Expense Category - the high level category of the expense e.g. 'Office Services'

Expense Type - the type of expense e.g. 'Communication'

Work Expense - the specific work expense e.g. 'Printing and Communications'

Note: The information icons (i) provide information and guidance about the relevant field

The tiers are hierarchical, once 'Expense Category' is selected, each tier will provide a further set of options. Field options are dependant each claimant's level of access/entitlement and will only display the related work expenses specific to that claimant. The following two pages show all of the expense categories, with further details and examples for each category outlined in the pages thereafter.

The 'Expense Category' field must be selected first in order for the 'Expense Type' field to display and it for the list of work expenses. All fields are mandatory.

A number of office expenses must have MaPS approval *BEFORE* making a claim for payment or reimbursement. For property maintenance expenses please contact your MaPS State Office before proceeding. If unsure, please contact the Help Desk on (02) 6215 3333 (option 3).

Office Services

		Expense Type
Expense Category:	Office Services 🗸	Work Expense
Expense Type:	Communications V	
Work Expense:	 Printing and communications Software Reimbursement (Office expenses) 	
	 Interactive Voice Response phone surveys (office expenses) Virtual Town Hall (Office expenses) 	Expense Category
	Postage for Official Purposes - Former PM	Expense Type:
	 Postage for Official Duties - Senior Opposition Holder and Leaders of Minority Party Regional Radio Broadcasting Services *only available to certain 	Work Expense:
	Parliamentarians Residential Internet Services (Remuneration) Residential phones 	
	 (Remuneration) SMS broadcasting and survey services (office expenses) Data products and data validation services for 	
	communication with constituents (office expenses) • Printing Costs - Former PM	

Expense Category:	Office Services V	Exp
Expense Type:	Publications V	
Work Expense:	 Publications - Printed and electronic - Former PM Media Monitoring Services 	
	(Office expenses)	Expe
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Expense Category:	Office Services V	v
Expense Type:	Office Requisites V	
Work Expense:	 Courier/Freight costs between offices ICT Equipment - DPS approved Office Stationery and Supplies (office expenses) Office Stationery and Supplies - Former PM Postage Meter - Consumables (office expenses) 	
	 (office expenses) Postage Meter - Consumables - Former PM Specified Public Resources * As approved by the Special Minister of State 	Exp
	 Wreaths (office expenses) 	

Expense Category:	Office Services V
Expense Type:	Furniture and Fittings 🛛 🗸
Work Expense:	Minor Furniture and Fittings - MaPS approved
Expense Category:	Office Services V
Expense Type:	Office Machines \checkmark
Work Expense:	 Live Streaming Equipment – Purchase Live Streaming Equipment – Maintenance Office Stationery and Supplies - Repairs and maintenance - Former PM Office Equipment - Purchase (Office expenses) <\$4,999
Expense Category:	Office Services V
Expense Type:	Office Relocations
Work Expense:	Mail Redirection - MaPS

approvedOffice Relocations - Former PM

Property Expense	Operating s				
Expense Category:	Property Operating Expenses V	Expense Category:	Property Operating Expenses V	Expense Category:	Property Operating Expenses V
Expense Type:	Office Running Costs 🗸 🗸	Expense Type:	Privately Leased Office 🗸 🗸	Expense Type:	Residential 🗸
Work Expense:	Mobile Office Signage, Facilities and Equipment (Office expenses)	Work Expense:	Satellite Office	Work Expense:	Residential Phones - Usage Former PM

EXPENSE ITEM	EXPENSE CATEGORY	EXPENSE TYPE (PEMS)	WORK EXPENSE	BUDGET	EXAMPLE DESCRIPTION
Artwork Australia Post Brochures Business Cards Billboard Rental Campaign Monitor Distribution Design Digital Advertising Domain registrations Facebook Letterhead Mailchimp Newsletters Printing Survey Monkey Website Hosting Website Design	Office Services	Office	Printing and communications	Office Budget	(Quantity) Printed item/s (date printing received) Example: 6,000 Printed items 8 Jun 21 Design (date) Example: Design 23 Mar 21 Web-design (date or date range) Example: Web-design 1 Jan 21 Web-services (date or date range) Example: Web-services 1 Jan to 31 Jan 21 (Quantity) Printed item/s (date advertised) Example: 1 Printed item 23 Mar 21 Distribution (date range) Example: Distribution 1 Jan to 31 Jan 21 Distribution credit (date range) Example: Distribution credit 1 Jan to 31 Jan 21 Distribution late payment fee (month/year) Example: Distribution late payment fee 30 Jan 21 e-material (date or date range) Example: Facebook 1 Jan 21
Software Zoom Dropbox Google Apple			Software Reimbursement (Office expenses)	Office Budget	Software reimbursement (vendor name)(date or date range) <i>Example: Software reimbursement Google 1 Jun 22</i>
Phone Surveys Welcome Packs Welfare checks			Interactive Voice Response phone surveys (office expenses)	Office Budget	Telecommunications IVR (date or date range) Example: Telecommunications IVR 1 Jan 21
Online meeting			Virtual Town Hall (Office expenses)	Office Budget	Virtual town hall (date) Example: Virtual town hall 1 Jan 21

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Australia Post - Former PM only	Office Services		Postage for Official Purposes - Former PM	N/A	Distribution (date or date range) (description) transaction fee (date) <i>Examples:</i> <i>Distribution 1 Jan to 31 Jan 21</i> <i>e-material transaction fee 31 Jan 21</i>
Australia Post - APH Only		Communication	Postage for Official Duties - Senior Opposition Holder and Leaders of Minority Party	N/A	Distribution (date or date range) (description) transaction fee (date) <i>Examples:</i> Distribution 1 Jan to 31 Jan 21 e-material transaction fee 31 Jan 21
Radio broadcasting			Regional Radio Broadcasting Services *only available to certain Parliamentarians	N/A	Radio broadcasting (date or date range) Example: Radio broadcasting 1 Jan to 31 Jan 21
Internet			Residential Internet Services (Remuneration)	N/A	Dedicated data line (date) Example: Dedicated data line 1 Oct 21
Telephone			Residential phones (Remuneration)	N/A	Residential phones (date) Example: Residential phones 1 Oct 21
SMS (Text)			SMS broadcasting and survey services (office expenses)	Office Budget	Online SMS business (date) Example: Online SMS business 18 Oct 21
Data			Data products and data validation services for communication with constituents (office expenses)	Office Budget	Data products and data validation services (date) Example: Data products and data validation services 1 Jan 21
Printing – Former PM only			Printing Costs - Former PM	N/A	(Quantity) Printed item/s (date printing received) Example: 5,000 Printed items 5 Jun 21

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Furniture		Furniture and Fittings	Minor Furniture and Fittings - MaPS approved	N/A	(Quantity) Furniture item/s (date of purchase) Example: 1 Furniture item 6 Apr 21
Magazines Newspapers	-		Publications - Printed and electronic (office expenses)	Office Budget	(Quantity) (Item name) (date/date range) Examples: 10 The Sydney Morning Herald 1 Jan to 31 Jan 21 1 Herald Sun (Sat) 31 Jan 21 The Age (digital) 1 Dec to 31 Dec 21 2 Who's Who Australia 2021 1 Jan 21
Publications	Office Services	Publications	Publications - Printed and electronic - Former PM	N/A	Administrative fees 1 Jan to 31 Jan 21 Refund of magazines 1 Jan to 31 Jan 21 Newspaper adjustment 1 Jan to 31 Jan 21 Discount 1 Dec 21 Parliament House pass holder discount 1 Jan 21
Media			Media Monitoring Services (Office expenses)	Office Budget	Media Monitoring Services (date/date range) Example: Media Monitoring Services 1 June 21
Freight Australia Post		Office Requisites	Courier/Freight costs between offices	Office Budget	Freight costs (date/date range) Example: Freight costs 1 Jun 21 Courier/Freight costs between offices (date range) Example: Courier/Freight costs between offices 1 Jun to 31 Jun 21
ICT Equipment			ICT Equipment - DPS approved	Office Budget	[Make] [Model] [other details optional] (date range) [service description] (date range) Examples: Dell latitude 7380 laptop 1 Aug to 31 Aug 21 Voice and data sim service 1 Aug to 31 Aug 21

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Stationery			Office Stationery and Supplies (office expenses)	Office Budget	(Description) and (Date) Examples:
Supplies			Office Stationery and Supplies - Former PM	N/A	<i>Office requisites and stationery 1 Oct 21</i> <i>Water refills 1 Mar to 31 Mar 21</i>
Postage Meter			Postage Meter - Consumables (office expenses)	Office Budget	(Quantity) (Item name) (date of purchase)
		Office Requisites	Postage Meter - Consumables - Former PM	N/A	Example: 3 Labels 1 Oct 21
Specified Public Resources Replacement	Office Services	ervices	Specified Public Resources * As approved by the Special	As approved by the Special Minister	Replacement stationery (date) Example: Replacement stationery 3 Jun 21 (Quantity) Printed item/s (date printing received) Example: 10 Printed items 3 Jun 21 e-material (date or date range)
Stationery		Minister of State	of State	Example: e-material 22 Jun 21	
Wreath			Wreaths (office expenses)	Office Budget	Wreath for (event) (date) Example: Wreath for ANZAC Day 24 Apr 21
Streaming	Office Mac		Live Streaming Equipment - Purchase	N/A	(Item name) (date) Example: LiveU 1 Jan 21
Streaming		Office Machines	Live Streaming Equipment - Maintenance	N/A	(Item name) (date/date range) Example: Live U data plan 1 Jan to 30 Jun 21
Stationery Supplies			Office Stationery and Supplies - Repairs and maintenance - Former PM	N/A	(Item name) repair (date) Example: Digital camera repair 2 Jun 21

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Equipment		Office Machines	Office Equipment - Purchase (Office expenses) <\$4,999	Office Budget	(Description) and (Date) Example: Book binder 1 Mar 21
Equipment		Office Machines		Office Budget	(Item name) (Brand) (date of purchase) Example: Kodak Digital camera 2 Jun 21
Mail			Mail Redirection - MaPS approved	N/A	Mail redirection (date/date range) Example: Mail redirection 1 Jan to 31 Mar 21
Relocation	Office Services	Office Relocations	Office Relocations - Former PM	N/A	Mail redirection (date) Example: Mail redirection 1 Oct 21 Office Establishment costs (date) Example: Office establishment costs 19 Apr 21 ^^Internal relocation costs (date) Example: Internal relocation costs 2 Sep 21 ^^ The description 'Internal relocation costs' can be used for office moves within CPOs or moving items within an existing electorate office.
Property		Office Running			
Signage	Property Operating Expenses	Costs	Mobile Office Signage, Facilities and Equipment (Office expenses)	Office Budget	Mobile office signage (date) Example: Mobile office signage 1 Jul 21
Satellite Office		Privately Leased Office	Satellite Office	Privately Leased Office Budget	Privately leased office 3,500km – 25,000km2 (date/date range) <i>Example: Privately leased office 3,500km – 25,000km2</i> 1 Jul to 31 Dec 21
Phones		Residential	Residential Phones - Usage - Former PM	N/A	Residential phones (date) Example: Residential phones 1 Oct 21