



# TAX BOOSTING TIPS TRADIES

TRADIE TAX DEDUCTIONS REALLY ADD UP, SO MAKE SURE YOU CLAIM ALL YOUR WORK-RELATED TAX DEDUCTIONS

## MOST COMMON TRADIE TAX DEDUCTIONS



### PROFESSIONAL FEES AND EDUCATION

- Union and Registration Fees
- Professional memberships and subscriptions
- Self-education expenses (must be related to current role)

EXAMPLE: YOUR ANNUAL FEES FOR A TRADE UNION.



### TRAVEL AND TRANSPORT EXPENSES

- Car travel (via logbook or cents/km method)
- Overtime meals
- Parking and toll costs

EXAMPLE: YOU TRAVEL TO A JOB SITE (OR FROM ONE SITE TO ANOTHER) IN YOUR OWN CAR.



### WORK PURCHASES AND USAGE

- Tools – including the costs to repair
- Phone use – using your personal mobile for work related matters (such as calls and emails)
- Protective clothing and equipment: boots, safety glasses, hi-vis, hats, sunglasses, sunscreen etc.

EXAMPLE: YOUR EMPLOYER ASKED YOU TO SUPPLY YOUR OWN TOOLS.



### UNIFORM EXPENSES

- Purchase of high-vis or protective clothing
- Laundry costs
- Repair costs of uniform/protective equipment

EXAMPLE: YOU ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR STEEL CAP BOOTS AND A HIGH VIS SHIRT TO WORK.



IF YOU ARE A CONTRACTOR AND INVOICE UNDER YOUR OWN ABN, YOU MUST SUBMIT A BUSINESS TAX RETURN



This is just a short list of the top tradie tax deductions, for more information visit: <https://www.etax.com.au/tax-deductions-for-tradies/>

## ETAX'S TOP 4 TAX TIPS

### SNAP YOUR RECEIPTS

1

Make sure you keep a record of all your receipts, even if you're not 100% sure you can claim it. Simply take a photo and come tax time, just ask your accountant.

### LOG IT ALL

2

Be sure to log all your work-related car trips and work from home hours. This way you won't short-change yourself at tax time.

### IF YOU'VE BEEN REIMBURSED YOU CAN'T CLAIM IT

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If your employer has reimbursed you for an out of pocket expense related to your work, then you can't claim it on your tax return.

### IMPACTED BY COVID?

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Has COVID impacted your working arrangements? Then it might also impact your tax return. Be sure to read about COVID and your tax return [here](#).



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