

Self Assessment

Mileage Rates: Amounts to be claimed

There are approved mileage rates that can be used by the self-employed. These can be found at: -

<http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/rates/mileage.htm>

From April 2002, there have been statutory maximum amounts which can be paid for the use of a car/van for business purposes, without having to pay tax and National Insurance contributions (NICs). There are also rates applicable to motor cycles and bicycles. The statutory rates since 2002 are:

Cars and Vans

On the first 10,000 miles in the tax year 40p per mile

On each additional mile over 10,000 miles 25p per mile

Motor cycles 24p per mile

Bicycles 20p per mile
All business miles

For the Self employed, the mileage rates above form part of the mileage expense used within the accounts.

The mileage claimed must be supported by schedules (a diary and mileage details) and the data must be kept with the rest of the accounts for 6 years.