

Working from home

As a director, it is likely that you spend some time working from home on company business. It follows that you ought to be allowed to claim the cost some household expenses against tax. However the Revenue's guidance, recently published, makes it impossible to claim expenses for working at home unless you have a "homeworking arrangement" with your company.

This entails the following:

Keep it regular

You need a formal agreement with the company for you to work at home on a regular basis. For example working at home on the same day each week would count as being regular. This can be verbal, but it is suggested that it is put in writing.

Tax free payment.

Once the agreement is in place, the company can reimburse additional costs incurred that result from working from home. It is unlikely that the Revenue will question a claim of £2 per week, but above this, you will need to prove that the claimed expense would not have been incurred if you didn't work from home.

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