## Travel Expenses Policy



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RELATED DOCUMENTS	Conference Policy

This policy is to outline the reimbursement of approved expenses of Directors and Staff travelling on Society business.

## 1. General Rules and Guidelines

- 1.1 Travel approval will be subject in each case to the availability of funds budgeted for this purpose
- 1.2 Travel expenses are approved by the Vice President Internal (VPI)
  - 1.2.1 Directors who are not issued a UFV Parking Pass can be reimbursed for their UFV parking costs related to verified Society business
  - 1.2.2 Receipts are required for all travel expenses except for personal mileage reimbursement
- 1.3 Travel expenses paid for by the Society shall not be used by the claimant for income tax purposes
- 1.4 Travel expenses paid for by the Society shall not be used for a claim to any other organization
  - 1.4.1 Travel expenses paid by another organization shall not be reimbursed by the Society
- 1.5 Each travel claim must be submitted within two calendar weeks after the expense was incurred
  - 1.5.1 No appeals will be granted
  - 1.5.2 Copies of original receipts will not be accepted

## 2. Automobile Travel

2.1 Mileage reimbursement will be paid in accordance to current Canada Revenue Agency rates

2.2 When multiple people travel together in a privately owned automobile, reimbursement can be claimed by the vehicle owner only

- 2.3 Mileage reimbursement will not be granted for travel between the Abbotsford and Chilliwack campuses
- 2.4 Fines for parking or other violations are not allowable expenses

## 3. Food Expenses

- 3.1 A per diem for food may be claimed up to a maximum of \$60/day when away on a multi-day business trip
- 3.2 A per diem for food may be claimed when away on a single day business trip in accordance to the following:
  - 3.2.1 One meal may be claimed if the business trip is between five and eight hours in length, according to section 3.3

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- 3.2.2 Two meals may be claimed if the business trip is between eight and twelve hours in length, according to section 3.3
- 3.2.3 All three meals may be claimed for single day trips exceeding twelve hours in length
- 3.3 Meals amounts are as follows:
  - 3.3.1 Breakfast, if time away includes 6:00am to 8:00am, up to \$15
  - 3.3.2 Lunch, if time away includes 12:00-2:00pm, up to \$20
  - 3.3.3 Dinner, if time away includes 6:00-8:00pm, up to \$25
- 3.4 If time away includes multiple ranges but does not qualify for all three meals, the smaller amounts will be claimed
- 3.5 Receipts do not need to be submitted for per diems
- 3.6 Per diems cannot be claimed for UFV hosted conferences