

General Council Report 1550

(Meeting of 26 June 2019)

Domestic Subsistence Rates

1. In accordance with General Council Report 1531 – 23rd of April 2015
2. The Staff Side and Management at the General Council under the Conciliation and Arbitration Scheme, agreed that the rates of subsistence for Overnight and Day Domestic Subsistence Rates would be reviewed annually
3. It was agreed that a formula of using the “eating out” and “accommodation” element of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) would be used for this purpose
4. The formula agreed for overnight rates is a combination of both rates with the breakdown of 80% accommodation to 20% eating out rate over a twelve month period and using the range of March 1st to March 31st the following year as the template for review.
5. The day rate is based upon the CPI twelve month percentage spread of the “eating out” element over the agreed period, using the range of March 1st to March 31st the following year as the template for review.
6. Overnight Rate - In 2019, a cumulative rate of 3.54% was agreed, is below the agreed 5% trigger point and therefore there will be no increase in the overnight rate.
7. The Day Rates will change as the cumulative rate rise is above the agreed 5% trigger point. The cumulative effect of CPI increases for food from March 2015 to March 2019 indicates that a 10% increase is appropriate for each of the day rates below.
8. The daily subsistence 5 Hour rate of €14.01 rises to €15.41 and the 10 Hour rate of €33.61 rises to €36.97. (Rates in Appendix 1).
9. The revised rates will come into effect from the 1st of July 2019.

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Appendix 1

Standard Domestic Subsistence Rates

Effective from 1st July 2019

Overnight rates		
Normal Rate	Reduced Rate	Detention Rate
€147.00	€132.30	€73.50

Day Rates	
10 hours or more	5 hours but less than 10 hours
€36.97	€15.41

Vouched Accommodation (“VA”) Domestic Subsistence Rates (for use in Dublin only)

Effective from 1st July 2019

Vouched Accommodation (“VA”) Rate	Accommodation		Meals
VA Rate	Vouched cost of accommodation up to €147.00	Plus	€36.97