



Un-reimbursed Employee Expenses

As a W-2 wage-earning employee, you might have some job-related expenses that are tax deductible. This depends of course on whether or not your employer reimbursed you for them. Although these expenses must exceed 2% of your Adjusted Gross Income to be counted, they are *routinely substantial enough to make a significant difference!*

Expenses must be paid or have occurred during the tax year; must be for the purpose of carrying on your trade or business of being an employee, and; ordinary and necessary. Expenses must be for the convenience of your employer and not just appropriate and helpful in your job. Items such as tools must be used at least 50% or more of the time in your employment.

- Business Bad Debt
- Business Liability Insurance
- Damages Paid
- Depreciation (computer/cell)
- Dues/Membership Fees
- Educator Expenses
- Home Office or part of home
- Job Search Expenses
- Laboratory Breakage fees
- Legal Fees Related to your job
- Licenses & Regulatory Fees
- Malpractice Insurance Premiums
- Meals & Entertainment
- Medical Exams required by work
- Mileage for work (not commuting miles)
- Occupational taxes
- Passport for business trip
- Repayment of income aid payments
- Research expenses of a college professor
- Rural mail carriers vehicle expenses
- Subscriptions to magazines, professional journals, and trade publications related to your work
- Tools and supplies used in your work
- Travel, transportation, and lodging expenses related to your work
- Union Dues and expenses
- Work clothes and uniforms if required and not suitable for everyday use.

Your Freedom Advisor can help you determine whether your particular expenses meet the criteria for deductibility. For further information, see IRS Publication 529.

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