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## **2017 INDIVIDUAL TAX RETURN CHECKLIST**

Here's a checklist to help you prepare the information for your tax return.

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Payment summaries (previously called Group Certificates)
Centrelink statement for Newstart Allowance, Pension payments, Austudy, Youth Allowance, Parenting Payment (Partnered). We do not require details of your Family Tax Benefit Payments
Bank interest Earned
Dividends received
Rental income (refer to separate checklist)
Annual distribution and tax statements for <b>Managed Funds</b>
Purchase & sale details for <b>investments sold</b> including shares. This should include the date of purchase & sale & the cost and sale amounts

## **Motor Vehicle Expenses**

Do you use your <b>car for work purposes</b> other than travelling directly to and from work?  This may include visiting suppliers/customers, picking up materials, attending external training. You can claim using one of 2 methods below.
If you have prepared a <b>log book</b> then provide a copy of the log book along with all running costs for the motor vehicle for the 2016/17 year, ie petrol, registration, insurance, servicing, RAA membership, car wash. Include cost and date the vehicle was purchased.
Alternatively advise the number of <b>kilometres travelled for work</b> for the 2016/17 year - up to a maximum of 5,000 km.

## **Other Work-related Expenses**

Did you use your <b>mobile phone</b> for work purposes during the 2016/17 year? If yes advise your total phone cost for 2016/17 along with your business use percentage.
Did you undertake any <b>work from home</b> during the 2016/17 year? If yes advise the average number of hours per month that you worked from home.
Did you use your <b>home internet</b> for work purposes? If yes, then advise your total home internet cost for the 2016/17 year along with work use percentage.
Do you wear a <b>compulsory work uniform</b> ? Typically, this would be embroidered with your work details. If yes advise amount spent on these items for 2016/17.
Do you wear <b>protective clothing</b> for work, ie steel capped boots, high vis clothing, safety glasses? If yes advise amount spent on these items for 2016/17.
Do you use any <b>other electronic devices</b> for work – ie computer, iPad. If yes then advise date you purchased the item, cost and work use percentage
Did you undertake any <b>study</b> during the 2016/17 year which has a connection to your work activities? If yes then advise all study expenses incurred during 2016/17 including course fees, books, stationery
Other work-related expenses include Union Fees, Professional Subscriptions, Professional Magazines, Tools

## **Other Information**

Details of any gifts or donations
Details of income protection insurance paid.
Details of last year's tax return fee
Annual <b>private health</b> fund statement
If you have a <b>partner or spouse</b> – their name, dob and taxable income
Last year's tax return or assessment notice from the ATO. A copy of last year's tax return would be helpful if handy
Any other information you may think is relevant. Each person's circumstances are unique