

TO: Agency Heads and Chief Fiscal Officers

FROM: Alan Skelton, State Accounting Officer

DATE: January 4, 2021

RE: Mileage Rate Increase for Calendar Year 2021

This memo is to communicate changes to State travel reimbursement rates for calendar year 2021. These changes apply to the use of privately-owned automobiles (POA), authorized State Government-owned automobiles, and motorcycles used for official state purposes.

Please make sure the information referenced in this memo is conveyed to appropriate staff in your agency/department.

The Official Code of Georgia Annotated (OCGA) Section 50-19-7 requires use of the United States General Services Administration (GSA) rates for mileage when State employees are reimbursed for use of a privately-owned vehicle on official travel.

[The GSA](#) recently announced revised rates for calendar year 2021. The following rates are applicable to travel that occurs on or after January 1, 2021:

Tier 1 Rates:		
Automobile	\$ 0.56	per mile
Motorcycle	\$ 0.54	per mile
Airplane	\$ 1.26	per mile
Tier 2 Rate:		
	\$ 0.16	per mile

The mileage reimbursement rate policy has been updated on [SAO's website](#) to reflect the 2021 rates. Any agency not on the TeamWorks Travel & Expense System will be responsible for updating the travel expense form.

Any reimbursement of mileage claims paid to an employee in excess of rates published in the mileage reimbursement policy must be refunded to the state or characterized as taxable compensation to the employee.

Questions concerning the contents of this memorandum or related to the State travel regulations should be directed to the following email address: SAO_travel@sao.ga.gov.

cc: Governor's Office of Planning & Budget
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