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**ALBERTA - LOCAL 146
TRANSPORTATION AND TRAVEL ALLOWANCE RATES**

The Department of Finance Canada has posted the **2018 Automobile Deduction Limits and Expense Benefit Rates for Businesses**, which indicates that “the limit on the deduction of tax-exempt allowances that are paid by employers to employees who use their personal vehicle for business purposes for 2018 will be increased by 1 cent to 55 cents per kilometre for the first 5,000 kilometres driven, and to 49 cents per kilometre for each additional kilometre to reflect that, since the last change to this limit, the per kilometre costs associated with owning and operating an automobile have increased by roughly 1 cent.”

Transportation Rate/Vehicle Allowance:

Per Article 19.01 (b) of the BCA of Alberta and IBB Local Lodge 146 Collective Agreement, the transportation rate/vehicle allowance will adjust (increase) by \$0.01, from \$0.51 to **\$0.52 per kilometre (effective May 6, 2018)**.

Effective May 6, 2018, the travel allowances will be adjusted as follows:

- Initial and Return Travel Allowances (per Article 19.01(c)) effective May 6, 2018:

Up to 200 km:	\$88.00 each way
Over 200 – 300 km:	\$124.00 each way
Over 300 – 375 km:	\$150.00 each way
Over 375 – 475 km:	\$224.00 each way (or airfare)
Over 475 km:	\$344.00 each way (or airfare)

- Rotational Leave Allowances (per Article 19.05) effective May 6, 2018:

Beyond 300 – 475 km:	\$174.00
Beyond 475 km:	\$312.00

Note: The Wage & Benefit Schedule will be updated to reflect the transportation rate/vehicle allowance (as shown above) on the BCA website, under the 'Current Wage and Benefit Schedule' header - <http://www.bcacanada.ca/bca-negotiated-agreements-alberta> .

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