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ACCOUNTING OFFICERS OF CONSTITUTIONAL INSTITUTIONS, AND NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENTS, HEADS OF PROVINCIAL TREASURIES AND ACCOUNTING AUTHORITIES OF PUBLIC ENTITIES

2019 REMUNERATION OF NON-OFFICIAL MEMBERS: COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES OF INQUIRY, AND AUDIT COMMITTEES

1. The Minister of Finance has declined an amendment to the **maximum remuneration payable <u>per day</u>** to non-official members of *Commissions* and *Committees of Inquiry*. The rates with effect from 1 April 2018 remain valid and are as follows:

	COMMISSION OF INQUIRY		COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY	
	Per day	Per hour	Per day	Per hour
Chairperson	R5 230	R654	R4 317	R540
Member	R3 888	R486	R2 619	R327

- 2. With reference to Treasury Regulation 3.1.6, the remuneration applicable to **Committees of Inquiry** is applicable to members of **Audit Committees** appointed from outside the public service.
- 3. The indicated rates are sitting fees and exclusive of payments in respect of preparation, research and travelling (to and from meeting venues) time.
- 4. Current VAT law requires non-executive directors (NEDs) of companies to register for and charge VAT in respect of any director's fees earned for services rendered as a nonexecutive director. Kindly note that the above rates are VAT inclusive.
 - The value of the fees must, however, exceed the compulsory VAT registration threshold of R1 million in any 12-month consecutive period but NEDs can voluntarily register for VAT as well. ¹
- 5. Employees of National, Provincial and Local Government or Institutions, Agencies and Entities of Government serving on Commissions or Committees of Inquiry or audit committees are not entitled to additional remuneration.

¹ Further details on the remuneration of Non-executive Directors is available on http://www.sars.gov.za/Media/MediaReleases/Pages/14-February-2017---Non-Executive-Directors-of-Companies-must-register-for-VAT.aspx.

6. All expenditure that could arise from applying this circular must be defrayed from institutions'/ pepartments'/ public entities' existing budget allocations.

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