

City of Madison Expense Claim Entry Process

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Introduction

It is your responsibility to know the protocols.

Resources:

Handbooks: www.cityofmadison.com/human-resources/benefits/employee-handbooks

APM's: www.cityofmadison.com/mayor/apm (APM 1-5 is the policy regarding Travel at City Expense)

Contracts: www.cityofmadison.com/human-resources/labor-contracts

MGO's: library.municode.com/wi/madison/codes/code of ordinances

Noteworthy:

- All expense reimbursement claims must be submitted *and approved* within 60 days from date of incurrence.
- Monitor your claim status.
- Any and all expenses for <u>travel</u> are to be entered on one claim and submitted for Actual Status approval **after** the event has occurred. Use the city p-card whenever possible.
- Meal reimbursements require an overnight stay, or if you are gone for more than 12 hours.
- Check with Fleet Services for city car availability.

Expense Claim Templates

Code	Description
1	CDL
2	MEMBERSHIP/CERTIFICATION FEES
3	SAFETY SHOES
4	PRESCRIPTION SAFETY GLASSES
005	EMPLOYEE TUITION REIMBURSEMENT
014	MISC EXPENSES
015	FOOD & BEVERAGE NON-TRAVEL
15	INSULATED COVERALLS - ENGINEERING
22	MEDICAL REIMBURSEMENT
46*	MILEAGE & PARKING 2024*
47	TRAVEL IN STATE 2024 - ESTIMATED (PRIOR)
48	TRAVEL OUT OF STATE 2024 - ESTIMATED (PRIOR)
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50	TRAVEL OUT OF STATE 2024 -ACTUAL (AFTER)
028	CITY INSURANCE FUND REIMBURSEMENT

^{*}Mileage and Parking template is for employees who are required to use their personal vehicle for in and around town driving for work purposes. It is **NOT** for travel to conference, training, etc.

Additional notes by code:

1: CDL

- Amounts up to \$40 can be reimbursed. This is the cost difference between a regular license renewal (\$74) and a CDL License (\$40). Permits will be less.
- Language for this can be found in the <u>contracts</u>.

2: Membership/Certification Fees

Membership or certification fees not associated with required travel.

3: Safety Shoes

- This template has a specific workflow that goes to the Safety Coordinator, who reviews, approves, and tracks shoe purchases.
- The amounts change each year, and some years can be combined, the Safety Coordinator monitors and tracks this.
- More information can be found in the Handbooks.

4: Prescription Safety Glasses

- Maximum of \$150.00 reimbursement.
- More information can be found in the Handbooks.

005: Employee Tuition Reimbursement

- Contract language determines eligibility and amount.
- Expense claims may be entered at the beginning of the semester to encumber the funds, and finalize once the class is passed.

014: Misc. Expenses

Anything that is not covered by the other expense templates.

015: Food & Beverage Non-Travel

- This is usually for a meeting that as an example, coffee and pastries are provided for the attendees. Food and/or beverage not related to travel for any reason.
- If the total purchase exceeds \$100.00, APM 1-6 requires a Mayoral approved expenditure form.
 - o https://www.cityofmadison.com/mayor/apm/finance/1-6ExpFrm.doc

15: Insulated Coveralls - Engineering

 This is a pilot program (2023) for Engineering and reimbursement amounts can go up to \$100.00.

Travel Expenses:

Mileage and Parking

- Employees who are required to use their personal vehicle for in and around town driving for work purposes. This is NOT for travel mileage.
- www.cityofmadison.com/employeenet/documents/PersAutoFrm.xls

Travel In/Out of State

Here are a series of questions that will help you determine the correct template, mileage, and meal per diems. Discuss with your agency if it is preferred you enter an Estimated claim prior to the event that can be flipped to an Actual claim once you return, OR, if they want you to just enter it as an Actual claim when you get back.

- Are you submitting prior to or after the event?
- Is it in-state or out-of-state?
- Which dates are travel days and which are full days?
- Did you email Fleet Services checking on vehicle availability?

Code	Description
47	TRAVEL IN STATE 2024 - ESTIMATED (PRIOR)
48	TRAVEL OUT OF STATE 2024 - ESTIMATED (PRIOR)
49	TRAVEL IN STATE 2024 - ACTUAL (AFTER)
50	TRAVEL OUT OF STATE 2024 - ACTUAL (AFTER)

Meal Per Diems

There are in-state, out-of-state, and high cost locations. Then there are full day or travel day amounts. A travel day is a day when you are traveling to/from the event. A High Cost Location (HCL) is defined by the IRS. www.cityofmadison.com/mayor/apm/finance/1-5Appendix.pdf

Field Label	Description
TRAVEL DAY	75% of full day
FULL DAY	See APM 1-5 Appendix for amounts

Field Label	Description
IN STATE TRAVEL	IN-STATE DAILY MEAL PER DIEM - TRAVEL DAY
IN STATE FULL	IN-STATE DAILY MEAL PER DIEM - FULL DAY
OUT STATE TRAVEL	OUT OF STATE DAILY MEAL PER DIEM - TRAVEL DAY
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Mileage Rates

www.cityofmadison.com/mayor/apm/finance/1-5Appendix.pdf

Mileage rates are determined by the IRS. The use of city vehicles is strongly encouraged and thus a 0.20 reduction to the IRS rate may occur. If someone uses their personal vehicle, the reimbursement rate would depend on the availability of a city vehicle. Not checking availability results in the 0.20 reduction.

Send an email to Fleet Services checking on availability of a city vehicle to use: requestcar@cityofmadison.com

Additional information: www.cityofmadison.com/employeenet/toolkit#travel--cars

City Car Available	Chose to use personal vehicle; a city vehicle was	.20 less the
	available or decided not to check	IRS Rate
City Car Unavailable	No choice to use personal vehicle; a city vehicle was	IRS Rate
	not available requiring you to use your own vehicle	

Estimated Claim vs. Actual Claim status series

The **Estimated series** is for electronic authorization prior to going.

Once the employee returns from the trip, they must go into the claim and update it to flip the series to Actual, and submit the Actual status for approval.

- 1 ESTIMATED, ENTERING
- 2 ESTIMATED, CREATED
- 4 ESTIMATED, ALLOCATED
- 5 ESTIMATED, RELEASED
- 6 ESTIMATED, REJECTED
- 10 ESTIMATED, APROVED
- 11 ACTUAL, ENTERING
- 12 ACTUAL, CREATED
- 14 ACTUAL, ALLOCATED
- 15 ACTUAL, RELEASED
- 16 ACTUAL, REJECTED
- 18 ACTUAL, APPROVED
- 20 REIMBURSED/CLOSED

The **Actual series** is when no estimated claim was entered, and it is now after the event has occurred. These amounts are what actually need to be reimbursed to the employee.

- 11 ACTUAL, ENTERING
- 12 ACTUAL, CREATED
- 14 ACTUAL, ALLOCATED
- 15 ACTUAL, RELEASED
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Expense Claim Status Series

EMPLOYEE EXPENSE CLAIM STATUS SERIES:	
1 - Estimated, Entering	Employee has not submitted. They still need to submit before it can be allocated, and released.
2 - Estimated, Created	Submitted by employee, need to Allocate, Check Budget, Promote to Allocated, Release for supervisor approval.
4 - Estimated, Allocated	Claim has been Promoted to Allocated, but not Released yet.
5 - Estimated, Released	The supervisor needs to approve.
6 - Estimated, Rejected	Supervisor will receive notification, notify employee, and Activate Rejected to correct errors.
8 - Estimated, Approved for CA	This is not used within our workflow - disregard.
10 - Estimated, Approved	The Supervisor has approved. Once the trip has concluded, need to go in to Details, then Update to flip to Actual.
11 - Actual, Entering	Employee has not submitted. They still need to submit before it can be allocated, and released.
12 - Actual, Created	Submitted by employee, need to Allocate, Check Budget, Promote to Allocated, Release for supervisor approval.
14 - Actual Allocated	Claim has been Promoted to Allocated, but not Released yet.
15 - Actual Released	The supervisor, and then Central Payroll need to approve.
16 - Actual, Rejected	Supervisor will receive notification, notify employee, and Activate Rejected to correct errors.
18 - Actual, Approved	The supervisor and Central Payroll have approved the claim.
20 - Reimbursed/Closed	The claim has been reimbursed to you.

ESS Expense Claim Entry

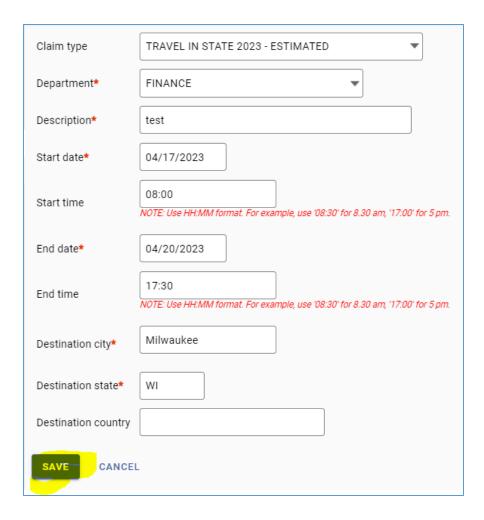
1. Employee goes to ESS > Expense Reports > Add



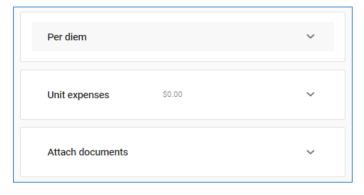
2. Select claim type

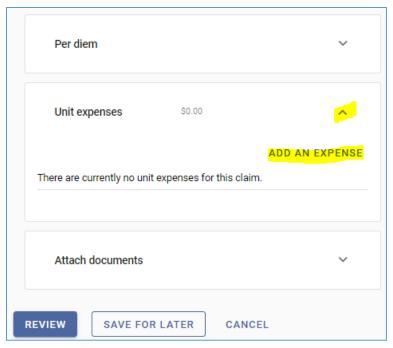
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- Any field with a red star is required to be filled in.
- Time is in military hours and need to include the colon symbol (:).
- Save
- 3. Expense item drop down menu options will vary based on expense template.
 - Add expenses





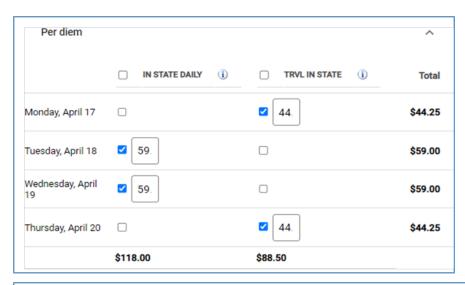


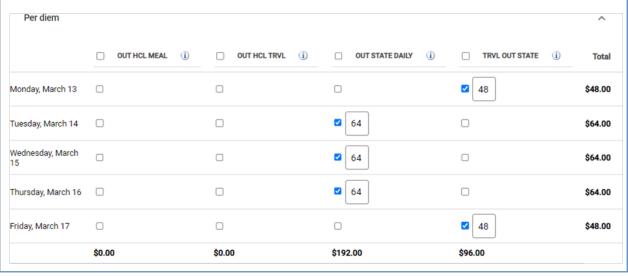
For **Travel expense claims**, choose the correct mileage rate:

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	not available requiring you to use your own vehicle	

Per Diem Categories

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Unit Expenses

Airfare Flights and baggage fees.

City Car Avail Chose to use personal vehicle; a city vehicle was available, or decided not to

check.

0.20 Less the IRS Rate

City Car No choice to use personal vehicle; a city vehicle was not available requiring you

Unavail to use your own vehicle.

IRS Rate

Grnd Transprt Transportation costs other than personal vehicle mileage

Lodging Hotel expense, not to include personal purchases.

Other Any expense not otherwise specified.

Registration Registration fee(s)



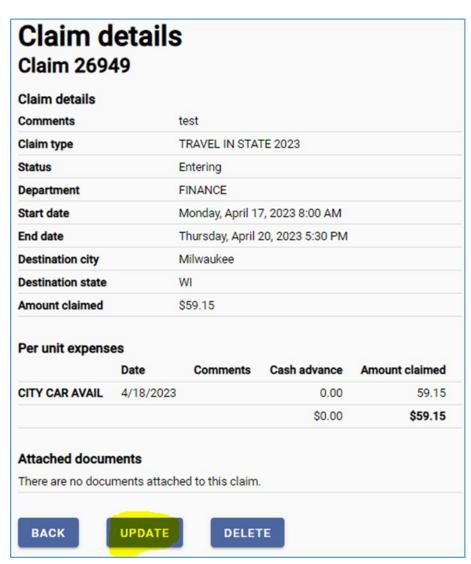


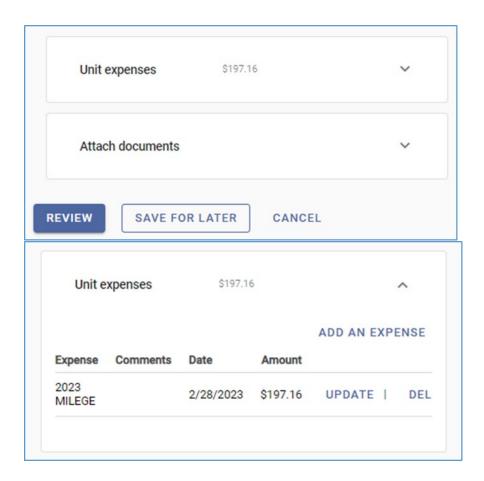
- 4. Attach Documentation
- 5. Save for Later
- 6. Review
- 7. Verify Expenses
- 8. Submit

Flip Estimated Claim to Actual for Reimbursement

1. Once the claim is approved in the ESTIMATED series, to flip it to the Actual status series for reimbursement, go into the claim ESS, Expense Reports click on the claim number; it is a hyperlink to the claim, and then click on <u>update</u>.



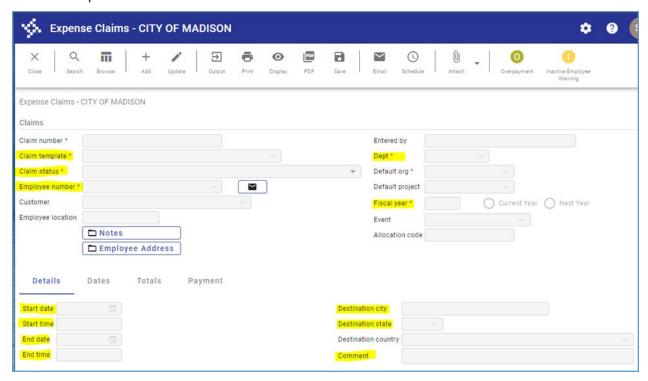




- 2. Make any necessary changes to ensure the amount requested for reimbursement to you is correct.
- 3. Save For Later
- 4. Review
- 5. Submit Claim

Entering an Expense Claim in MUNIS

- 1. Within Munis, go to Financials > Employee Expense > Expense Claims
- 2. Add
 - TAB THROUGH THIS
 - Claim number will be assigned
- 3. Select Claim Template *see above
- 4. Claim Status
 - Estimated is for approval prior to an event.
 - o Once event has occurred, click update to flip to Actual
 - Actual is for after an event has happened and no estimate was submitted
- 5. Fill in the following:
 - EE#
 - Start & end time (HH:MM) it is in military time
 - Destination City
 - Destination State
 - Comment
 - Enter data
- 6. Accept



Allocation & Approval

- 1. Within Munis, go to Financials > Employee Expense > Expense Claims Search for specific claim, expense report, location, claim status, or employee.
- 2. Update
 - Will need to click Accept x 3 as it moves through each section Allocate
 - Review account string
 - Make sure correct object code is used

OBJECT CODES	
52711	TUITION
52714	LIC CERT
53110	OFFICE SUP
53150	POSTAGE
53155	PRGRM SUP
53210	WRK SUP
53235	SAFETY SUP
53245	UNIFRM SUP
53250	FOOD BEV
54515	MILEAGE
54520	CONFRM TRAN
54545	MEDICAL SE
54645	CNSLT SERV
54680	PRKING TOW
54810	OTHER EXP
54855	INS CLAIMS

- Check Budgets
- Promote Claim to Allocated

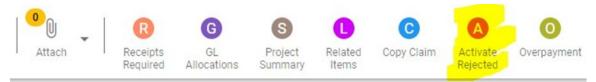
3. Select Release

- Approver can accept, reject or forward.
- Once Accepted and Approved, goes to Central Payroll to review.

What to do with a Rejected Claim

If a claim is rejected, the supervisor (whoever approved it last) will receive notification of the rejected claim with a brief note.

- 1. Need to update and resubmit
 - The person receiving the rejected notice will need to go into Munis, into the claim and click on **Activate Rejected**. This will change the status to Entering again, and the employee can now make changes and resubmit.
 - 1. Update
 - 2. Accept
 - 3. Accept Yes
 - 4. Allocate
 - 5. Check Budget
 - 6. Accept
 - 7. Promote Claim to Allocated
 - 8. Release



2. Can leave as is

 If there is no need to correct and resubmit, the claim can remain in rejected status.

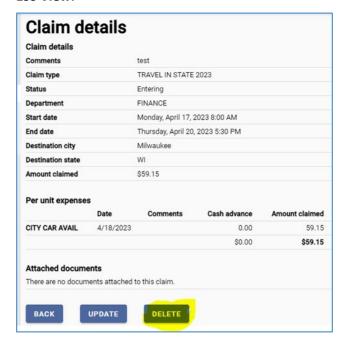
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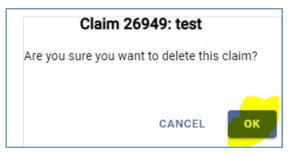
Any claim status, except for Approved, can be deleted.

If it is an approved status, look at the status to see if need to click Update or Reject.

Reject – can leave it, or Activate Rejected and then delete Update – then delete

ESS View:



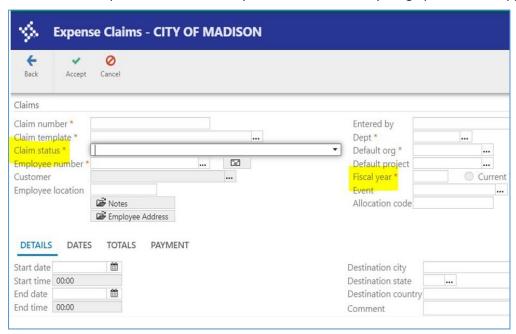


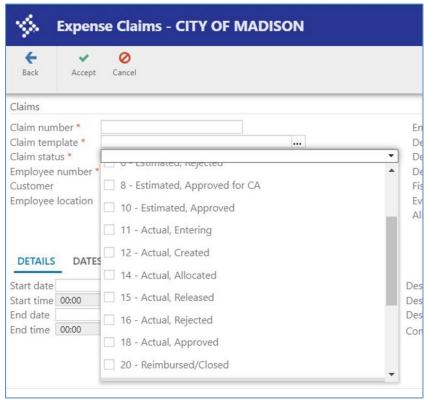
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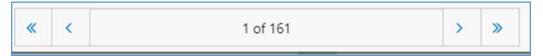
Status Reports

- 1. Within Munis, go to Financials > Employee Expense > Expense Claims You can search for specific claim #, claim status, or employee.
- 2. My recommendation would be to click 2x in Claim Status and search under Claim Status "<18", insert Department # and Fiscal year. This will show anything open and not approved.



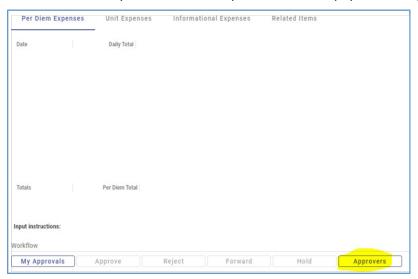


3. If at the bottom of the screen it says there is 1 of #, you can either look at each one and arrow to the next. You can also click on Browse at the top and then click on Excel for list.



Where is my reimbursement?

- 1. First, look at the claim status.
 - This will let you know where in the approval process it is at.
- 2. Ask your Payroll Clerk to look into it.
 - Check the claim status: where is it in the series?
 - Look at the Approvers tab on the bottom right of the screen. Also look at the Dates tab to see if/when it was reimbursed.
 - The Payments tab allows you to see which payroll it was paid in.



Approvers Steps	
3	Allocation
5	Supervisor approval
80	HR Notification
90	Payroll approval

