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Dear Sir/Madam

Revised car allowances

1. The following revised allowances (Part E, paragraph 6 of the 6th Edition of the Scheme of Conditions of Service) apply with effect from 1st April 2008:

	451- 999cc	1000- 1199cc	1200- 1450cc
Essential Users			
Lump sum per annum	£753	£849	£1,095
Per mile up to 8500 miles	34.0p	36.9p	45.8p
Per mile over 8500 miles	13.3p	13.6p	15.8p
Casual Users			
Per mile up to 8500 miles	42.9p	46.9p	58.7p
Per mile over 8500 miles	13.3p	13.6p	15.8p
Amount of VAT per mile in petrol element	1.374p	1.460p	1.592p

2. Authorities are reminded that while, under the terms of Section E paragraph 6, the allowance payable shall be in accordance with such grading as the fire authority may approve, where an essential user who is conditioned to the flexible duty system actually uses a vehicle with an engine capacity in excess of 1199cc then the allowance payable shall be for the category 1200 to 1450cc.

3. Please ensure that all interested parties in your fire authorities (i.e. Finance departments) are aware of the new car allowances.

Yours faithfully
SARAH MESSENGER
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Joint Secretaries