

Excision Item Numbers and Medicare rebates (August 2020)

For malignancy, the necessary excision diameter is the average of the width and length of excision = (length+width)/2. Also use these item numbers for excision of residual or recurrence of cancers.

Benign Tumour, Cyst, Ulcer, or Scar (includes excision of pigmented lesion for diagnostic purposes)

| Site | LESION SIZE | Item Number | Medicare Rebate (85% of schedule) |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| Mucous membrane | < 10mm | 31206 | \$83.70 |
| | 10 – 20mm | 31211 | \$107.95 |
| | > 20mm | 31216 | \$125.85 |
| | 4 – 10 lesions < 10mm | 31221 | \$188.10 |
| | > 10 lesions < 10mm | 31225 | \$334.25 |
| | EXCISION DIAMETER | | |
| Nose; eyelid; eyebrow; lip; ear; digit; or genitalia or from a contiguous area | < 6mm | 31357 | \$96.15 |
| | > 6mm | 31360 | \$147.35 |
| Face; neck; scalp; nipple-areola complex; distal lower limb (knee and distal); distal upper limb (ulnar styloid and distal) | < 14mm | 31362 | \$117.40 |
| | > 14mm | 31364 | \$147.35 |
| Anywhere else | < 15mm | 31366 | \$83.70 |
| | 15 - 30mm | 31368 | \$110.05 |
| | > 30mm | 31370 | \$125.85 |
| | 4 – 10 lesions LESION SIZE <10mm | 31220 | \$188.10 |
| | > 10 lesions LESION SIZE <10mm | 31225 | \$334.25 |

Basal Cell Cancer & Squamous Cell Cancer (including Keratoacanthoma)

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|---|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| Nose; eyelid; eyebrow; lip; ear; digit; or genitalia or from a contiguous area | < 6mm | 31356 | \$194.05 |
| | >6mm | 31358 | \$237.45 |
| | > One third surface of site | 31359 | \$255.40 |
| Face; neck; scalp; nipple-areola complex; distal lower limb (knee and distal); distal upper limb (ulnar styloid and distal) | < 14mm | 31361 | \$163.70 |
| | > 14mm | 31363 | \$214.15 |
| Anywhere else | < 15mm | 31365 | \$138.80 |
| | 15 - 30mm | 31367 | \$187.25 |
| | > 30mm | 31369 | \$215.60 |

Malignant Melanoma

| Site | EXCISION DIAMETER | Item Number | Medicare Rebate (85% of schedule) |
|---|-------------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|
| Nose; eyelid; eyebrow; lip; ear; digit; or genitalia or from a contiguous area | > 6mm | 31371 | \$312.95 |
| Face; neck; scalp; nipple-areola complex; distal lower limb (knee and distal); distal upper limb (ulnar styloid and distal) | < 14mm | 31372 | \$270.60 |
| | > 14mm | 31373 | \$312.80 |
| Anywhere else | < 15mm | 31374 | \$247.10 |
| | 15 – 30mm | 31375 | \$265.95 |
| | > 30mm | 31376 | \$308.25 |