Excision item numbers and Medicare rebates



(MBS rebates updated 16/01/2024)

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.

Site	Lesion size	ltem number	Medicare Rebate (85% of schedule)	
Benign Tumour, Cyst, Ulcer, or Scar (Includes excision of pigmented lesion for diagnostic purposes).				
Mucous membrane	< 10mm	31206	\$89.85	
	10 – 20mm	31211	\$115.20	
	> 20mm	31216	\$134.35	
	4 - 10 lesions < 10mm	31221	\$200.70	
	> 10 lesions < 10mm	31225	\$356.75	
Site	Excision Diameter	ltem number	Medicare Rebate (85% of schedule)	
Nose; eyelid; eyebrow; lip; ear; digit; or genitalia or from a contiguous area	< 6mm	31357	\$102.60	
	> 6mm	31360	\$157.25	
Face; neck; scalp; nipple-areola complex; distal lower limb (knee and distal); distal upper limb (ulnar styloid and distal)	< 14mm	31362	\$125.35	
	> 14mm	31364	\$157.25	
Anywhere else	< 15mm	31366	\$89.35	
	15 - 30mm	31368	\$117.50	
	> 30mm	31370	\$133.35	
	4 - 10 lesions LESION SIZE <10mm	31220	\$200.70	
	> 10 lesions LESION SIZE <10mm	31225	\$356.75	

Basal Cell Cancer & Squamous Cell Cancer (including Keratoacanthoma)			
Site	Excision Diameter	ltem number	Medicare Rebate (85% of schedule)
Nose; eyelid; eyebrow; lip; ear; digit; or genitalia or from a contiguous area	< 6mm	31356	\$207.10
	> 6mm	31358	\$253.40
Face; neck; scalp; nipple-areola complex; distal lower limb (knee and distal); distal upper limb (ulnar styloid and distal)	> One third surface of site	31359	\$272.55
	< 14mm	31361	\$174.70
Anywhere else	> 14mm	31363	\$228.55
	< 15mm	31365	\$148.10
	15 - 30mm	31367	\$199.85
	> 30mm	31369	\$230.10



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Excision Item Numbers and Medicare rebates (continued)

Malignant Melanoma			
Site	Excision Diameter	ltem number	Medicare Rebate (85% of schedule)
Nose; eyelid; eyebrow; lip; ear; digit; or genitalia or from a contiguous area	> 6mm	31371	\$334.05
Face; neck; scalp; nipple-areola complex; distal lower limb (knee and distal); distal upper limb (ulnar styloid and distal)	< 14mm	31372	\$288.85
	>14mm	31373	\$333.85
Anywhere else	< 15mm	31374	\$263.80
	15 – 30mm	31375	\$283.85
	> 30mm	31376	\$329.00

Suspected 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	31377	\$102.60
	< 6mm	31378	\$157.25
Face; neck; scalp; nipple-areola complex; distal lower limb (knee and distal); distal upper limb (ulnar styloid and distal)	> 14mm	31379	\$125.35
	14 mm or more	31380	\$157.25
Anywhere else	< 15mm	31381	\$89.35
	15 – 30mm	31382	\$117.50
	> 30mm	31383	\$134.35

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