191-50.2 (502) Cost of audit or inspection.

50.2(1) The administrator may assess the broker-dealer or investment adviser for reasonable charges of travel, lodging, and other expenses incurred by division staff or independent persons conducting an audit or inspection and directly attributable to an audit or inspection made pursuant to Iowa Code section 502.411(4). The assessment of costs of meals, lodging, transportation, and other actual and necessary travel expenses, if any, incurred by persons conducting an audit or inspection shall be determined in accordance with one of the following, as agreed by the administrator and the persons conducting an audit or inspection:

a. The department of administrative services (DAS) state accounting enterprise Accounting Policy and Procedures Manual guidelines for employee travel (https://das.iowa.gov/state-accounting/sae-policies-procedures-manual) and the DAS form Travel Section Policy and Procedures (https://das.iowa.gov/state-accounting/travel-relocation) in effect at the time of the audit or inspection.

b. The department of administrative services state accounting enterprise Accounting Policy and Procedures Manual guidelines for travel for in-state board, commission, advisory council, and task force member expenses.

c. The United States General Services Administration Continental United States ("CONUS") per diem travel allowances for lodging, meals and incidental expenses.

d. A reimbursement schedule as agreed by the administrator and the persons conducting the audit or inspection.

50.2(2) If costs are assessed under subrule 50.2(1), the administrator may, upon completion of the examination, or at such regular intervals prior to completion as the administrator determines, prepare an account of the costs incurred in performing and preparing the report of the examination which shall be charged to and paid by the broker-dealer or investment adviser examined.

50.2(3) The administrator shall notify the broker-dealer or investment adviser of the expenses attributable to the audit or inspection as soon as practicable.

50.2(4) Assessments collected pursuant to this rule shall be paid by the broker-dealer or investment adviser as directed by the administrator either to the administrator or to the persons conducting the audit or inspection. The persons conducting the audit or inspection shall be reimbursed only for the actual and necessary costs incurred in conducting the audit or inspection.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 502.411(4).

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