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1. No. The use is conventional protection from the natural environment, and even where they are used in the course of employment they are private expenses.

Example 1

Mary is a teacher who is required to work on playground duty and wants to claim a sun hat and sunscreen for protection from the sun. The cost of these items is not allowable.

Example 2

Bob claims the costs of his sunglasses as he is required to drive for work purposes. The cost of this item is not allowable.

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