

# Holiday Tipping Checklist

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- Holiday Tipping
  - Holiday tipping is never required.
  - Don't tip if you can't afford it or you don't feel the person deserves it.
  - Determine the etiquette in the area by asking around.
  - Prioritize your most important service providers.
  - Tip those who serve you all year long and with whom you have a personal relationship.
  - Consider giving a holiday tip to the folks who take care of your home and family.
  - Tip up to the cost of one session for personal services.
  - In a restaurant tip 10-15% on the alcohol and 15-20% on the food.
  - It's acceptable to give a non-cash gift of up to \$20 to Public servants.
  - Before you arrive at a nicer hotel or resort, inquire as to whether gratuities are included in the price of the room.
  - When on tour, check if the tip is not already included, otherwise give 10-15% of the tour price.
  - When you give a tip, include a card or a hand-written note thanking the person for their service.
  - If your budget does not allow for tips, consider homemade gifts.
  - If you tip generously all year, you can skimp a bit.