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A simple reference to MBS item numbers for skin lesion excision.

Nose, Eyelid, Eyebrow, Lip, Ear, Digit, Genitalia

Lesion	<6mm	>/= 6mm
Tumour/Cyst/Ulcer/Scar	31357	31360
Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer	31356	31358
Melanoma	X	31371

Face, Neck, Scalp, Nipple-Areola, Distal Upper* or Lower Limb**.

Lesion	<14mm	>/= 14mm
Tumour/Cyst/Ulcer/Scar	31362	31364
Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer	31361	31363
Melanoma	31372	31373

*Ulnar styloid and below. **Knee and below

Body

Lesion	<15mm	15-30mm	>30mm
Tumour/Cyst/Ulcer/Scar	31366	31368	31370
Non-Melanoma Skin Cancer	31365	31367	31369
Melanoma	31374	31375	31376

Other Common skin item numbers:

- Punch Biopsy: **30071**
- Shave Excision/curettage benign neoplasm: **30195** (not wart, Seb K, skin tag or cyst)
- Cryotherapy >9 Premalignant Lesions: **30192**
- Cryotherapy Malignant: **30202**
- Cryotherapy Malignant >9 lesions: **30203**
- Incision and Drainage Abscess/Haematoma: **30219**
- Excision of Lipoma >50mm: **31345**
- Excision of 4-10 tumour/cyst/ulcer/scars <10mm: **31220**

NB: This reference table is intended as a guide only. Please consult the MBS before billing any item number.

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