Differences Between Current And Capital Expenses:



Current Expense:

Deduct In The Year You Incur It

Reoccurs After A Short Period: Restores The Property To Its Original Condition

Usually
Replaces A Part
Of The Property
Instead Of A
Separate Asset

Market Value Of The
Expense Is Low
(Never Use This As
The Primary
Determining Factor)

Done As Part Of Ordinary Maintenance

Examples:



Interior Painting

Repairing Wooden Steps





Replacing Carpet Flooring With New Carpet

Repaving The Driveway





Landscaping

Capital Expense:

Deduct Over Several Years By Claiming Capital Cost Allowance

Provides A Lasting Benefit Improves The Property Beyond It's Original State The Expense Is
For A Separate
Asset Rather Than
A Part Of The
Property Itself

Market Value Of The Expense Is High (Never Use This As The Primary Determining Factor)

Incurred To Prepare The Property Suitable For Use

Incurred To Make The Property Ready For Sale

Examples:



Upgrading The Flooring From Carpet To Hardwood

Purchasing A New Microwave For The Kitchen





Replacing Wooden Steps With Concrete

Building An Attached Deck To A Home





Installing New Windows

