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For the good of Vanuatu, collect revenue, protect our boarders and facilitate legitimate trade.

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RENT TAX





Rent Tax

Rent tax is tax charged on income derived from residential properties. Rent tax is administered under the Rent Tax Act No. 30 of 1986 (CAP 196).

Who is Eligible to pay tax?

There are three categories of taxpayers liable to pay rent tax.

1. Natural Person(s)

Refers to individuals with rent income of more than VT 200, 000 within a six month period.

2. Limited Company

Refers to any company that owns a residential rental property.

3.Trustee

Refers to any trustee, guardian, curator, manager or any other person having the direction, control or management of any land or property on behalf of any person.

When is rent tax due?

Rent tax is due twice a year.

- 1st Chargeable period is 1 December to 31 May. Due date is 28th June.
- 2nd Chargeable period is 1 June to 30 November. Due date is 28th December.

What is rent tax rate?

Rent tax is charged at a rate of 12.5%

How is rent tax calculated?

Rent tax is calculated as follows:

Natural Person(s)

For natural person(s) there is a threshold of VT 200,000. This means that 12.5% will only apply to the excess over VT 200,000.

For example:

Rent Tax = (Total rent income for 6 months – Threshold) x 12.5%

E.g. = VT 300,000—200,000 = VT 100,000 * 12.5% = VT 12,500

Limited Company

The threshold of VT 200, 000 does not apply to limited companies.

Rent Tax = Total rent income for 6 months * 12.5%

E.g. = VT 300,000 * 12.5% = VT 37,500 Trustee as an individual

Threshold of VT 200,000 applies in this case.

Rent Tax = (Total rent income for 6 months – Threshold) x 12.5%

Trustee as a company

Rent Tax = Total rent income for 6 months * 12.5%

What are the late penalties?

If you fail to make payment of Rent Tax on time, or you file your Rent Tax return late, penalties and/or interest will be charged as follows:

- 1. If you pay late:
- A late payment penalty of 5% of the total that should have been paid,
- For each day until payment is made, late payment interest at a daily rate of **20%** per annum.
- 2. If you file late:
- A late filing penalty of VT 30, 000 (for an individual) or VT 50, 000 (for an entity),
- For each day that the return remains outstanding, a late filing penalty of VT 3, 000 (for an individual) or VT 5,000 (for an entity).