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Cyprus Tax News Reminder for 1st provisional tax instalment for tax year 2023

We would like to remind you that the payment deadline for the 1^{st} provisional tax instalment for tax year 2023 is **31 July 2023**.

Obligation for provisional tax payment

The following persons have an obligation to pay provisional tax, based on their expected annual taxable income for tax year 2023:

- Individuals with taxable income other than salaries, pensions, dividends and interest; and
- companies with taxable income.

Persons with no taxable income, do not have an obligation to pay provisional tax.

Payment of provisional tax

The provisional tax is calculated by applying the relevant tax rates (depending on whether the taxpayer is an individual or a company) on the expected taxable income for the year, after taking into account any overseas tax credits. It is payable in two equal instalments, as follows:

Provisional tax instalments	Statutory deadline	Effective deadline (No interest/penalty)
1 st instalment	31 July 2023	31 August 2023
2 nd instalment	31 December 2023	31 January 2024

The timely payment of provisional tax can be made by firstly creating the provisional tax obligation through the <u>Tax Portal</u> of the Tax Department (TD) and then selecting one of the below payment methods from the icons appearing next to the Payment Reference Number (PRN):

Credit/debit card by selecting which automatically transfers you to jccsmart gateway, or



• online banking, by selecting

Payments made after the effective deadline can only be made via online banking and will be subject to interest at the current rate of 2,25% per annum (calculated on a completed months basis) plus a 5% penalty on the tax due. An additional penalty of 5% may be imposed by the TD if the tax remains unpaid two months after the statutory deadline (i.e. for the 1st instalment, the penalty will be imposed from 1 October onwards).

Any difference between the actual tax payable and the temporary tax paid for the year 2023 is payable by 1^{st} of August 2024.

10% additional tax in case of underestimation

In case the provisional taxable income declared is less than 75% of the final taxable income for the year, the taxpayer is required to pay an additional tax equal to 10% of the difference between the final tax due and the provisional tax paid.

Revised provisional tax calculation

Taxpayers can revise their provisional tax calculation (upwards/downwards) until 31 December 2023. In case of an upward revision, interest is payable on the difference between the revised amount payable and the amount initially declared and paid as 1st instalment. It is noted that for downward revisions, Forms TD.5 (for individuals) and TD.6 (for companies) should be submitted.

How can we help?

We are at your disposal to assist you with the calculation of the provisional tax and the administration of the provisional tax payments.

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