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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 <sup>st</sup> instalment	31 July 2023	31 August 2023
2 <sup>nd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

#### Get in touch

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