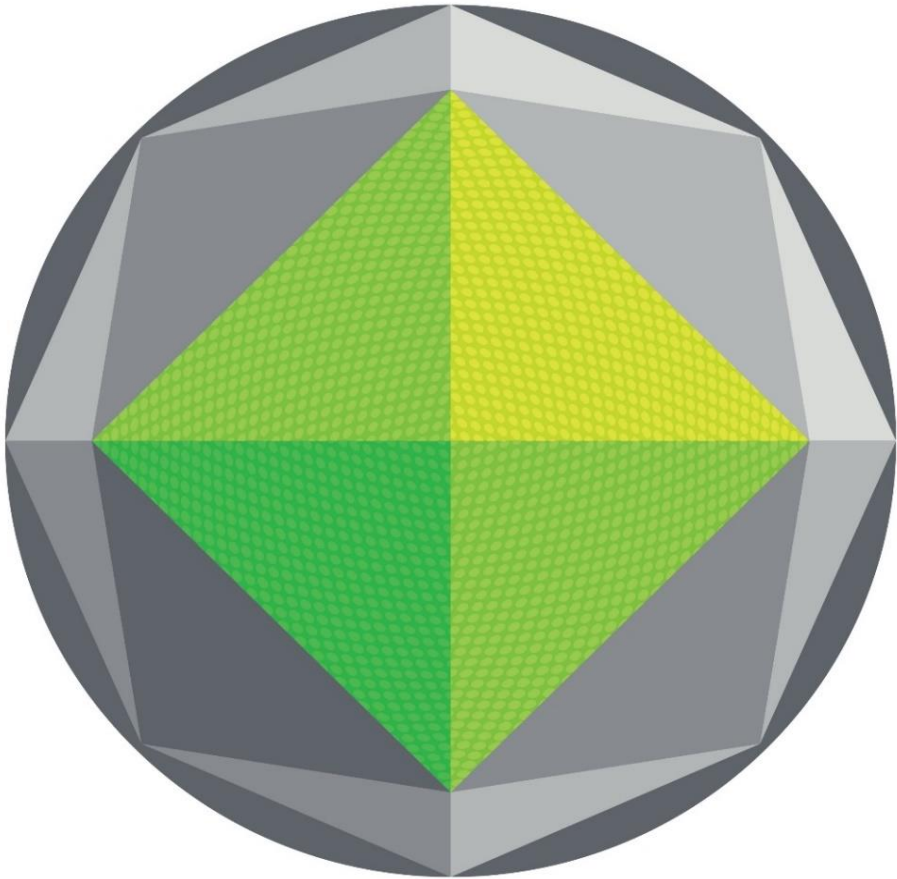


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The duties of users of the Electronic Billing System (SFEP), the deadlines for non-active users within the pilot plan and the deadline for the implementation of SFEP for entities that sell or provide services to the Panamanian State are updated

Resolution **201-5214 of July 19, 2022**, published in the Official Gazette on July 25, 2022, establishes the procedure for compliance with obligations by users of the SFEP and partially modifies Resolution 201-0251 of January 12, 2022.

In this sense, the following is established:

- The deadlines for natural and legal persons who submit the affidavit under the modality of PAC before the DGI are modified, as a method of electronic invoicing. Therefore, the following deadlines will be available for the implementation of the system:

- These deadlines will be computed from the presentation of the affidavit.

Taxpayers	Range by annual gross income	Term
Natural persons	N/A	Up to 90 calendar days
Legal persons	Less than or equal to \$ 1,000,000.00 USD	Up to 90 calendar days
	1,000,000.01 to 2,500,000.00	Up to 120 calendar days
	2,500,000.01 or more	Up to 150 calendar days

- Those persons who have been

provided with a response to the request for incorporation to SFEP by means of a Resolution, the implementation deadlines described in the table above will be computed as of October 13, 2021. However, if the resolution authorizing this billing method is issued after October 13, 2021, the deadlines will be computed as from the date such resolution is executed and final.

- Any taxpayer whose implementation period has begun to be computed, must maintain their previous billing method, until the incorporation is achieved in accordance with the deadline established in the previous

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table.

- Those taxpayers who have requested or submitted the affidavit of adoption to the SFEP and whose implementation deadlines have expired on the date of publication of Resolution 201-5214 in the Official Gazette, will have as maximum or incorporation period to the SFEP on October 31, 2022.
- Those taxpayers who have submitted the affidavit of adoption of the SFEP as of June 2022, the new implementation deadlines established in this Resolution will be applicable.
- Failure to comply with the implementation deadlines will be subject to penalties ranging from USD 500.00 to USD 25,000.00 and temporary closure of the establishment in case of recidivism.

Resolution **201-5215 of July 19, 2022**, published in the Official Gazette on July 25, 2022, extends the deadline for the implementation of the SFEP for entities that sell or provide services to the Panamanian State.

- In this sense, by virtue of the provisions of paragraph 5 of article 12 of Law 76 of 1976, modified by Law 256 of 2021 and Resolution 201-5215 of 2022, as of October 31, 2022, all public entities are obliged to receive only as a valid document to manage the purchases of goods and services by the State the electronic invoice issued in accordance with the SFEP.

The obligation to update the Single Taxpayers' Registry (RUC) and the procedure that regulates the registration of new legal entities in the Single Taxpayers' Registry (RUC) are established

Resolution **201-4393 of June 21, 2022**, published in the Official Gazette on July 19, 2022, establishes the obligation to update the RUC no later than July 31, 2022, this in accordance with articles 7 and 10 of Law 76 of 2019 (Tax Procedural Code of Panama) and other tax regulations.

- By virtue of the foregoing, when there are changes in the information provided to the General Directorate of Revenue (DGI), this information must be updated. These updates must be made through the tax administration's computer system, e-Tax 2.0. and all mandatory fields must be completed.

However, through **Resolution 201-5297 of July 21, 2022**, published in the Official Gazette on July 28, 2022, the period established in Resolution 201-4393 of

2022, which establishes the obligation to update the Single Taxpayers Registry (RUC), is extended.

- In this sense, the DGI decided to extend the deadline for updating the Single Taxpayers Registry (RUC) until **August 31, 2022**.
- Taxpayers who do not make their due updates on the date indicated will not be able to submit the corresponding tax forms for the fulfillment of their tax obligations.

On the other hand, **Resolution 201-4984 of July 12, 2022**, published in the Official Gazette on July 19, 2022, regulates the procedure for the registration of new legal entities in the RUC.

- In relation to this Resolution, which repeals Resolutions 201-1254 of March 7, 2018 and 201-3616 of June 4, 2018, the following modifications are required to update the RUC of taxpayers:

1. Permanent or incidental legal persons, legal acts or public entities, at the time of their registration in the RUC, will be registered according to the nature of their activities, these being:

- ✓ Financial Leasing of Movable Property
- ✓ Non-profit association
- ✓ Consortium
- ✓ Cooperatives
- ✓ Government entity
- ✓ Escrow
- ✓ Private Interest Foundations
- ✓ Ph Co-Owners Board

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- ✓ Political party
 - ✓ Limited Liability Company
 - ✓ Trade union
 - ✓ Accidental society
 - ✓ Corporation
 - ✓ Civil society
 - ✓ Partnership
 - ✓ Limited partnership by shares
 - ✓ Limited partnership
 - ✓ Foreign company (not registered in the Public Registry)
 - ✓ Company by purchase of shares
 - ✓ Branches or agencies of foreign companies
 - ✓ Venture Limited Liability Company
 - ✓ Companies of benefit of collective interest (Law 303 of 2022)
2. For tax purposes, legal persons, legal acts or public entities will be differentiated by the following categories by the fact of having or not taxable income in Panama, being able to select one of the following categories of

obligations:

- (i) From Panamanian sources, they are obliged to file income tax returns and comply with other tax obligations in accordance with their operations declared since their registration in the RUC and their taxable income, regardless of the minimum amount.
 - (ii) From a foreign source, persons with income from the activities described in paragraph 2 article 694 of the Tax Code.
 - (iii) Of exempt and non-taxable source, persons with income from the activities described as such in the Tax Code, also include legal persons constituted exclusively to dispose of assets that do not generate taxable income on a regular basis.
3. The identification of the Resident Agent

in the "Resident Agent" section, as well as the identification of the Public Accountant who endorses the income statements and other taxes that must be identified within the "related third parties" section.

- 4. Through the e-Tax 2.0 system, Resident Agents will have the power to update the information of the legal entities to which they provide services as Resident Agents.
- 5. In order not to be fined for omission, taxpayers must adapt the information of the obligation in the e-Tax 2.0 system and indicate if the obligation corresponds to the category (i) (ii) or (iii) described above and for those companies that generate taxable income, it must be added in the field of the start date of the obligation, the start date of the activity that generates the income from Panamanian sources.

The deadline for the submission of form 03 concerning the months of January, February, March, April, May and the one concerning the month of June 2022 is extended

Resolution **201-4853 of July 8, 2022**, published in the Official Gazette on July 13, 2022, establishes the following:

fiscal periods, will be maintained at the latest within sixty (60) calendar days subsequent to the corresponding month.

1. The submission of form 03 concerning the months of January, February, March, April and May of the fiscal period 2022 is extended, no later than September 30, 2022, in a single form.
2. In turn, the presentation of form 03 corresponding to the month of June of the fiscal period 2022 is extended, no later than September 30, 2022.
3. The filing of Forms 03 concerning subsequent months, including future months

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