Tax Year 2020/21 and Budget 2020

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Agenda



- Rates and Allowances 2020/21
- Payroll Issues
 - Benefits-in-kind
- HR Issues
- Pension Issues.

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Rates and Allowances

United Kingdom

Rates and Allowances 2020/21

An overview of payroll-related rates and allowances for tax year 2020/21

- Income Tax
- NICs
- Statutory Payments
- Company Cars and Vans
- Student Loans
- National Minimum Wage
- Workplace Pensions / AE

Which Tax Code to Use? Tax Year 2020/21



Income Tax

Personal Allowances

- Unchanged at £12,500
- Marriage Allowance unchanged
- Others (like Married Couple's) increased

Rates and thresholds

- Basic Rate Limit unchanged at £37,500 (rUK)
- rUK rates unchanged (20, 40 and 45%)
- Scottish thresholds changed
 - <u>Implemented 11 May 2020</u>.









Employment Allowance Reform



- Value
 - £4,000 in 2020/21
- <u>All</u> EA entitlements cease 06 April 2020
 - Employers with Secondary Class 1 NICs more than £100K excluded and cannot claim from 2020/21
 - (Connection unchanged)
 - Others can reclaim the EA in 2020/21 BUT
- Employment Allowance treated as De Minimis State Aid.



Employment Allowance Reform

- Employment Allowance (Excluded Persons) Regulations 2020
- HMRC
 - Policy Paper 24 January 2020
 - Gov.UK guidance 10 February 2020
- BEIS State Aid Manual
- *Employment Allowance Reform* from HMRC
 - To be sent to attendees.





Change

Company Car Taxation

• Finance Bill 2020

- The Worldwide Harmonised Light Vehicles Test (WLTP)
 - Two sets of appropriate percentages:
 - One for cars registered on or after 06 April 2020
 - One for cars registered before 06 April 2020
 - I 50 CO2 band split into 5 bands according to 'electric range'
 - 51 94 CO2 split into 9 bands
- Increased administration and data gathering

See draft legislation and HMRC Policy Paper.





Termination Payments

NIC (Termination Awards and Sporting Testimonials) Act 2019

- For termination payments paid on or after 06 April 2020
- Ers NICs treatment aligned with ee's tax treatment
 For termination awards £30,000 +
- Real-time Class 1A NICs
 - Declared via RTI, paid with other liabilities
- HMRC Policy Paper 30 November 2018.





Bereavement Leave and Pay

- Parental Bereavement Leave and Pay Act 2018
 - Parental Bereavement Leave Regulations 2020.
 - Parental Bereavement Pay (General) Regulations 2020
- New statutory right to 2 weeks of leave
 - From day 1
 - For bereavements of children under 18 on or after 06 April 2020
- 1. Who is a parent?
- **2.** Flexibility re 2 weeks?.







Off-Payroll Working / IR35

- A worker engaged through an intermediary
 - Such as a Personal Service Company (PSC)
 - Essentially, is an employee but for the PSC
 - Previously paid off of the payroll now must be paid through the payroll and classed a 'deemed employee'
 - Tax, NICS and AL <u>only</u>
- Finance Bill 2020.





Payroll - look out



- Homeworking Allowance increase from £4 to £6 (20/21)
- Welfare Counselling Regs 2020 (20/21)
 - Access to more counselling which will be regarded as 'medical treatment' and tax exempt if provided by employers
- New Starter Checklist on Gov.UK (version 03/20)
- Use the correct SSP1 in Great Britain (version 01/19)
- Neonatal Leave and Pay in Great Britain (21/22?)
- Employers NICs 'holiday' for Veterans (21/22?)
- Student Loan Plan 1 (Scotland) (21/22?).



Payroll and HR look out



- Provision of employment particulars a day 1 right
 - The Employment Rights (Employment Particulars and Paid Annual Leave) (Amendment) Regulations 2018 and
 - The Employment Rights (Misc Amendments) Regulations 2019
- Holiday pay reference period where a worker has <u>variable remuneration</u> is 52 weeks prior to the first day of holiday
 - BEIS guidance dated March 2020.







Pensions

No workplace pensions changes Yet!



Pensions Tax Relief		
	2019/20	2020/21
	£	
Lifetime Allowance	1,055,000	(1,073,100)
Annual Allowance	40,000	X0,000
Tapered Annual Allowance	10,000	4,000
Money Purchase Annual Allowance	4,000	4,000



Payment Date versus Payday

1. The payment date

- Declared on the FPS
- The date that someone is contractually entitled to be paid (or is regularly paid)
- Helps regulate UC Assessment Period with the DWP

2. The payday

Not on the FPS

UC Universal Credit

- The date that someone is paid
- FPS must be sent to HMRC on or before the pay<u>day.</u>





Thankyou





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