

Tax Rates and Allowances - 2020/2021

Personal Allowances

Personal Allowance	£12,500
Maximum Married couple's allowance	£9,075
Blind person's allowance	£2,500
Income limit for Personal Allowance - (a)	£100,000

(a) the Personal allowance is reduced by £1 for each £2 by which income exceeds £100,000

Income Tax Bands excluding Scotland

Bands -

Personal Allowance £1 - £12,500*	0%
£12,501 - £50,000	20%
£50,001 - £150,000	40%
Over £150,000	45%

* You do not get a Personal Allowance on taxable income of over £125,000.

The first £2,000 of dividends is taxed at 0%, and this amount is taken into account in determining the income tax band.

Dividends above £2,000 are taxed at 7.5% , 32.5% or 38.1% as the top slice of total income.

The personal savings allowance exempts interest income of £1,000 for basic rate taxpayers, £500 for higher rate taxpayers only, but it is not available for additional rate taxpayers.

Tax Efficient Investments

ISA Limit	£20,000
Junior ISA Limit	£9,000

Inheritance Tax & Exemptions

Assets up to £325,000	0%
Over £325,000	40%

Additional nil rate band of £175,000 is available when a main residence is passed on death to a direct descendant. If the net value of the estate exceeds £2,000,000, this additional nil rate band will be reduced by £1 for each £2 by which the net value exceeds that amount.

A surviving spouse or civil partner may claim unused proportion of an earlier deceased spouse, or civil partner's nil rate band and additional nil rate band, up to the current nil rate band / additional nil rate band.

A reduced rate of 36% applies when 10% or more of a net estate is left to charity.

Reduced charges apply on lifetime gifts within seven years of death (which are not covered by the nil rate band)

Exemptions to Inheritance Tax:-

Any gift spouses or civil partners give each other - as long as they live in the UK permanently:

Gifts not exceeding £3,000 in each tax year

Wedding or civil ceremony gifts -
up to £5,000 to each child

Stamp Duties on residential properties

England: Residential Land and Buildings

£0 - £125,000	0%
£125,001 - £250,000	2%
£250,001 - £925,000	5%
£925,001 - £1,500,000	10%
Over £1,500,000	12%

First Time Buyers

£0 - £300,000	0%
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Capital Gains Tax

Basic rate taxpayers (a)	10%
Trustees and 40%/45% taxpayers (a)	20%
Annual exempt amount - individuals	£12,300
Annual exempt amount - trusts	£6,150

(a) Gains on residential properties not qualifying for principal private relief are taxed at 18% and 28% respectively.

Value Added Tax

Standard Rate	20%
Lower Rate	5%
Zero Rate	0%

Registration threshold: taxable supplies at the end of any month exceed £85,000 either in the past 12 months or the next 30 days.

Key Payment Dates & Deadlines

2019 - 2020 Income Tax and Class 4 NIC:

1st Payment on account	31 Jan 2020
2nd Payment on account	31 Jul 2020*
Balancing Payment	31 Jan 2021

Capital Gains

31 Jan 2021

2019 - 2020 Class 1A NIC's on Relevant Benefits:

Postal payment	19 Jul 2020
Electronic payment	22 Jul 2020

2019 - 2020 Returns Filing and issuing Deadlines

Final Full Payment Summary (FPS)	19 Apr 2020
Issue P60's to employees	31 May 2020
P11D - appropriate copies to employees	6 Jul 2020
Self Assessment Tax Paper Return	31 Oct 2020
Self Assessment Tax Return files online	31 Jan 2021

*Because of Coronavirus, you can delay making second payment on account. If you choose to delay, you have until 31st January 2021.