

VAT Notes 3 of 2012

Please make sure everyone responsible for VAT in your business reads this newsletter.

Importers and exporters – take action now

If you are involved in the import from, or the export to, countries outside of the European Union, you are required to obtain an Economic Operator Registration and Identification (EORI) number.

Full details on EORI, how to apply and the application forms can be found on our website, go to hmrc.gov.uk and enter *EORI Scheme* in the *Search* box.

Machine Games Duty

The Finance Act 2012 includes legislation on the change in VAT liability in respect of takings from machine games with effect from 1 February 2013. At that time, those takings subject to the new Machine Games Duty (MGD) will become exempt from VAT. Businesses affected by this change are reminded that they will become partially exempt as soon as they either start making exempt supplies or incur input tax on costs that relate to these supplies.

More information about MGD and VAT implications for this new duty is available on our website, go to www.hmrc.gov.uk/machinegamesduty

Valuing reverse charges applicable to VAT groups

New valuation rules for VAT group reverse charges were brought in by the Finance Act on 17 July 2012 (previously valuation was by concession under ESC 3.2.2 in Notice 48 *Extra statutory concessions*). They affect VAT groups that are partly exempt and have members with overseas establishments. Guidance on how the new rules apply in practice has been written and released to affected trade bodies. It will be published on the HM Revenue & Customs website in due course.

For more advice about VAT Online, go to

www.hmrc.gov.uk/vatonline

New and revised VAT Notices

700/56 – Insolvency
700/64 – Motoring expenses
701/36 – Insurance
704/1 – Tax free shopping in the UK (Arabic version)
704/1 – Tax free shopping in the UK (Chinese version)
704/1 – Tax free shopping in the UK (Japanese version)
704/1 – Tax free shopping in the UK (Spanish version)
727 – Retail schemes
742 – Land and property
760 – Customs Freight Simplified Procedures (CFSP)

New VAT Information Sheets and Revenue & Customs Briefs

Go to www.hmrc.gov.uk/thelibrary/vat

Your rights and obligations

Your Charter explains what you can expect from us and what we expect from you. For more information go to www.hmrc.gov.uk/charter

We have a range of services for people with disabilities, including guidance in Braille, audio and large print. Most of our forms are also available in large print. Please contact us on any of our phone helplines if you need these services.

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