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Factsheet for case CZ-2020-12/286

Tax Liberation Package

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Country	Czechia, applies nationwide
Time period	Temporary, started on 16 March 2020
Type	Legislation or other statutory regulation
Category	Supporting businesses to stay afloat – Direct or indirect financial support
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Background Information

This measure covers all income tax payers in the Czech Republic who are late with tax statement, which normally has to be provided to the Tax Office by 31 March of each year. It also covers VAT payers (however, in this case is necessary to request a respective Tax Office).

According to Ministry of Finance of the Czech Republic (Ministerstvo financí České republiky, MF ČR) the purpose of this measure is to limit the number of people at the tax offices and to respond to labour shortages in companies as result of virus spread. Tax Offices are supposed to be as accommodating and tolerant as possible in a situation where the decision depends on administrative discretion.

Content of measure

Tax Liberation Package enables people to postpone their tax payments without any fees, interests or fines.

The main measures are the following:

- Blanket remission of fines for late filing of the natural personal income tax and legal person income tax returns and default interest until 1 July 2020 (normally until 31 March 2020).
- Remission of fines for delayed tax statement in all cases when the taxpayer individually requests remission of default interest, tax deferment or a payment schedule and demonstrates reasons related in any way to the coronavirus.
- Individual remission of fines for failure to file the local sales/purchases report for periods from 1 March to 31 July if a connection to the coronavirus is demonstrated.

- Blanket remission of administrative fees for the request for remission or deferment.
- Blanket remission of fines for late filing of the natural personal income tax and legal person income tax returns and default interest until 1 July 2020 (normally until 31 March 2020).
- Remission of fines for delayed tax statement in all cases when the taxpayer individually requests remission of default interest, tax deferment or a payment schedule and demonstrates reasons related in any way to the coronavirus.
- Individual remission of fines for failure to file the local sales/purchases report for periods from 1 March to 31 July if a connection to the coronavirus is demonstrated.
- Blanket remission of administrative fees for the request for remission or deferment.
- In case of VAT, however, it is necessary to request a respective Tax Office for a deferment of payments and fees that resulted from the situation concerning the COVID-19.

Use of measure

Information not available yet.

Actors, target groups and funding

Actors	Target groups	Funding
National government Company / Companies	Employees Self-employed Solo-self-employed All companies	No special funding required

Social partners

Role of social partners	No involvement
Form of involvement	Not applicable

No information available.

Sectors and occupations

This case is not sector-specific.

This case is not occupation-specific.

Sources

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