## **Guidelines for HRA Exemption.**

An employee can claim exemption on his HRA under the Income Tax Act if he stays in a rented house and is in receipt of House Rent Allowance from his employer. In order to claim the deduction, an employee must actually pay rent for the house which he occupies. The deduction will be available only for the period during which the rented house is occupied by the employee.

Particulars	Documents Required	Guidelines
House Rent Allowance (HRA)	Rental Agreement is mandatory.	✓ HRA is exempt to the least of the following:
	2a) Original rent Receipts one for each (Month / Quarter / Year) pertaining to current financial year (Apr '16 to Mar '17)  2b) Original rent receipts to attached along	40% of Basic (50% in case of Metro cities)     HRA Received     Rent paid less 10% of Basic
	with system generated Form 12BB (hard copy) and dropped in the drop box.	✓ Landlord PAN should be mandatory if the rent exceeds Rs 8333/- per month.
	Rent Receipt should contain     Rent paid for the period     Name and signature of landlord	✓ In case of non-availability of Landlord PAN employees are required to submit declaration in Form 60 (Format attached).
	<ul> <li>Complete address of the property</li> <li>PAN of Landlord (in case rent is &gt; Rs.8333/- per month)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rent agreement has to be in the name of the employee.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Revenue stamp to be affixed (Not mandatory for Karnataka)</li> <li>Receipt to be signed by Landlord across revenue stamp.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Auditors have the right to call for the original documents for scrutiny on case to case basis.</li> </ul>
	In case Leave and License Agreement is with relatives, Registered agreement to be submitted along with Rent receipts for all months.	In case of multiple tenants, pro-rata rent will be considered, provided the employee's name is there in the agreement and employee must submit the rent receipt for the same.
	5) Declaration for rent due for the month of January, February and March to be submitted.	<ul> <li>Maintenance and other charges are not considered for HRA. Only actual rent paid will be considered.</li> </ul>
	Declaration for Rent due for Feb & March. Declaration.pdf	If Loss on self-occupied property is claimed for the same period and same city, then HRA rent is disallowed for the overlapping period.

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