

Inheritance Tax	2017/18	2016/17
Free of tax up to	£325,000	£325,000
Additional Residence Nil Rate Band+	£100,000	n/a
Tax on excess	40%	40%
Reduced rate*	36%	36%
Transfers to most trusts	20%	20%
Overseas domiciled spouse exemption	£325,000	£325,000

Business Property and Agricultural Reliefs	2017/18	2016/17
A business or interest in a business	100%	100%
Transfers of unquoted shareholdings	100%	100%
Transfers of a controlling shareholding in fully quoted companies, land, buildings, machinery or plant used in business of company or partnership	50%	50%
Agricultural property <sup>1</sup>	100%	100%

Years before death	0 – 3	3 – 4	4 – 5	5 – 6	6 – 7
% of death charge	100%	80%	60%	40%	20%

Annual exempt gifts: £3,000 per donor, £250 per donee  
Further gifts may be received free of tax at time of marriage, or when made from surplus income

- + Available if strict criteria are met
- \* For estates leaving 10% or more to charity
- <sup>1</sup> A 50% rate applies for tenanted land on a lease signed before 1 September 1995

Corporation Tax	2017/18	2016/17
Main rate	19%	20%
R&D Tax Relief	SME companies 230%	230%
R&D Expenditure	SME companies 14.5%	14.5%
Credit	Large companies 11%	11%

Main Capital Allowances	2017/18	2016/17
Writing down allowances (reducing balance)		
Special rate pool (long life assets, integral features of a building, motor cars with CO <sub>2</sub> emissions >160g/km)	8% pa	8% pa
Main rate pool (other plant and machinery, motor cars, Patent Rights and Know-How)	18% pa	18% pa
Annual Investment Allowance	£200,000	£200,000
Motor cars with low CO <sub>2</sub> emissions, capital research and development expenditure, energy saving and environmentally beneficial plant and machinery	No limit	No limit

Value Added Tax	2017/18	2016/17
Standard rate	20%	20%
Domestic fuel and power	5%	5%
Registration level	£85,000	£83,000
De-registration limit	£83,000	£81,000
Cash-accounting scheme turnover limit	£1,350,000	£1,350,000
Optional flat rate scheme turnover limit	£150,000	£150,000
Car fuel: variable outputs based on car fuel benefit charge		

## Stamp Duty Land Tax

On land transactions transferring non-residential and mixed use property in England, Wales and Northern Ireland<sup>†</sup>:

On the first £150,000 of chargeable consideration	NIL
On the next £100,000	2%
On the remaining consideration (i.e above £250,000)	5%

On land transactions transferring residential property in England, Wales and Northern Ireland<sup>†</sup>:

	Standard Rate	With Surcharge <sup>1</sup>
On the first £125,000 of chargeable consideration	NIL*	3%
On the next £125,000	2%*	5%
On the next £675,000	5%*	8%
On the next £575,000	10%*	13%
On the remaining consideration (i.e above £1.5million)	12%*	15%

\* Charged at 15% on residential properties where total consideration is more than £500,000 if the property is acquired by certain "non-natural persons" e.g companies, and relevant reliefs do not apply

+ From 1 April 2015 a separate Land and Building Transactions Tax will apply for land transactions in Scotland instead of SDLT

<sup>1</sup> A surcharge of 3% applies in certain circumstances where two or more residential dwellings are owned following the transaction

## Annual Tax on Enveloped Dwellings

On properties held by "non natural persons" (e.g companies) where the value is:

	2017/18	2016/17
£500,000 to £1million	£3,500	£3,500
£1million to £2million	£7,050	£7,000
£2million to £5million	£23,550	£23,350
£5million to £10million	£54,950	£54,450
£10million to £20million	£110,100	£109,050
£20million and over	£220,350	£218,200

## Main Dates for Tax Payments

Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax – Self Assessment

- 31 Jan in tax year } – Normally 50% of previous year's
- Following 31 July } – Income Tax, less tax deducted at source
- Following 31 Jan } – Balance of Income Tax and all CGT

Inheritance Tax

- Death: normally six months after month of death
- Lifetime transfer 6 April – 30 Sept: 30 April in following year
- Lifetime transfer 1 Oct – 5 April: six months after month of transfer

Corporation Tax

- Small companies: (taxable profits less than £1,500,000) tax due nine months and one day after end of accounting period.
- Large companies: (taxable profits over £1,500,000) tax due in quarterly instalments from six months and 13 days after start of accounting period.

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# Tax Rate Card

# 2017/18

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Income Tax Rates	2017/18	2016/17
Savings rate, 0% on first <sup>+</sup>	£5,000	£5,000
Basic rate, 20% on first	£33,500	£32,000
Higher rate, 40% on income over	£33,500	£32,000
Additional rate, 45% on income over	£150,000	£150,000
Dividends for basic-rate taxpayers	7.5%	7.5%
Dividends for higher-rate taxpayers	32.5%	32.5%
Dividends for additional-rate taxpayers	38.1%	38.1%
Most trusts	45%	45%
Dividends for most trusts	38.1%	38.1%

<sup>+</sup> Falling within the basic rate band, restricted to savings income and reduced by £1 for every £1 of non-savings income that exceeds £11,500 (£11,000 for 2016/17)

Main Income Tax Reliefs	2017/18	2016/17
Personal allowance (basic) <sup>1</sup>	£11,500	£11,000
Personal Savings allowance <sup>#</sup>	£1,000	£1,000
Dividend allowance	£5,000**	£5,000
Married couple's allowance (Born before 6 April 1935)*	£8,455	£8,355
Transferable married couples allowance	£1,150	£1,100
Income limit for married couples allowances	£28,000	£27,700
Blind person's allowance	£2,320	£2,290
Rent-a-room tax-free income	£7,500	£7,500
Enterprise Investment Scheme at 30%	£1,000,000	£1,000,000
Seed Enterprise Investment Scheme at 50%	£100,000	£100,000
Venture Capital Trust at 30%	£200,000	£200,000

<sup>1</sup> Allowance is reduced by £1 for every £2 of assessable income in excess of £100,000 until it is completely removed for assessable income over £123,000 (£122,000 for 2016/17)

<sup>#</sup> £500 for higher rate taxpayers and zero for additional rate taxpayers

\*\* Reducing to £2,000 from 2018/19

\* Allowance where relief is restricted to 10%

## Car Benefit Assessment 2017/18

Charge based on a percentage of the initial list price of the car; the percentage depends on the carbon dioxide emission rating of the car, if it has one. For older cars without a rating, the percentage depends on engine capacity.

For 2017/18 the percentage for a petrol engine is 18% for CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of 95g/km. The percentage increases by 1% for every complete 5g/km in excess of this, to a maximum of 37%. Diesel cars have 3% added to this figure, but still have a maximum percentage of 37%. For cars with a CO<sub>2</sub> emission of less than 50g/km the percentage is 9%, between 51g/km and 75g/km the percentage is 13% and between 76g/km and 94g/km the percentage is 17%.

## Car Fuel 2017/18

The tax charge for fuel provided for private use is calculated by applying the relevant car benefit percentage to a scale charge. For 2017/18 the charge is £22,600.

Employee Benefits	2017/18	2016/17
Savings-related share options per month	£500	£500
Approved Share Option Plans	£30,000	£30,000
All Employee Share Schemes - Free share plan	£3,600	£3,600
- Partnership share plan	£1,800	£1,800
EMI Share Option Schemes	£250,000	£250,000
Cheap loan benefit tax-free if loan is up to	£10,000	£10,000
Ex-gratia termination payment exemption	£30,000	£30,000
Relocation expenses	£8,000	£8,000

Capital Gains Tax	2017/18	2016/17
Individuals basic-rate taxpayers*	10%	10%
higher/additional-rate taxpayers*	20%	20%
Most trusts*	20%	20%

Qualifying Entrepreneurs' Relief Gains and Qualifying Investors' Relief Gains	10%	10%
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Annual Exemptions:	2017/18	2016/17
Individuals, personal representatives, etc	£11,300	£11,100
Trusts generally	£5,650	£5,550

Non-UK residents are subject to Capital Gains Tax on the sale of UK residential property from 6 April 2015 to the extent the gain has accrued after that date\*

\* An 8% surcharge will be applied on the disposal of carried interest and residential property (that does not qualify for Principal Private Residence Relief)

Pensions	2017/18	2016/17
Annual Allowance*	£40,000	£40,000
Money Purchase Annual Allowance	£4,000	£10,000
Lifetime Allowance	£1,000,000	£1,000,000

\* From 6 April 2016 the allowance is reduced to a minimum of £10,000 by £1 for every £2 of assessable income in excess of £150,000

Basic State Pension	2017/18	2016/17
Single person per year	£6,359.60	£6,203.60
Dependant's additional per year	£3,811.60	£3,718.00
Married couple total per year	£10,171.20	£9,921.60
New State Pension	£8,296.60	£8,093.80

Individual Savings Accounts (ISA)	2017/18	2016/17
Subscription limit	£20,000	£15,240
Junior ISA	£4,128	£4,080
Child Trust Fund	£4,128	£4,080

## National Insurance Contributions

Employees Class 1 Contributions	2017/18	2016/17
- Employees with earnings at or above the lower earnings limit		

Standard rate	12%* on weekly earnings between £157.01 and £866	12% on weekly earnings between £155.01 and £827
Additional 2% on all earnings	over £866 per week	over £827 per week

\* A reduced rate of 5.85% applies to married women and widows

Employers Class 1 Contributions	2017/18	2016/17
Standard rate	13.8% on weekly earnings above £157.01	13.8% on weekly earnings above £156.01

Self-Employed	2017/18	2016/17
Class 2 – self-employed rate (per week)	£2.85	£2.80
Small earnings exemption (per annum)	£6,025	£5,965
Class 3 – voluntary rate (per week)	£14.25	£14.10
Class 4 – self-employed rate	9%*	9%
Lower limit of profits (per annum)	£8,164	£8,060
Upper limit of profits (per annum)	£45,000	£43,000
Additional 2% on all earnings (per annum)	over £45,000	over £43,000

\*Increasing to 10% in 2018/19, and 11% in 2019/20

## Non-UK Domiciled Individuals - Remittance Basis Charge

	2017/18	2016/17
Unremitted income and gains less than £2,000	NIL	NIL
Resident in at least 7 of the previous 9 years	£30,000	£30,000
Resident in at least 12 of the previous 14 years	£60,000	£60,000
Resident in at least 15 of the previous 20 years	Remittance basis not available	£60,000
Resident in at least 17 of the previous 20 years	Remittance basis not available	£90,000