

## CORPORATION TAX

Year commencing 1st April:

2009		2008	
%	£	%	£
21.0	0-300000	21.0	0-300000
29.75	300001-1500000	29.75	300001-1500000
28.0	over 1500000	28.0	over 1500000

## CAPITAL ALLOWANCES

### Plant and machinery - Annual Investment Allowance (AIA)

The AIA applies to expenditure incurred on or after 6 April 2008 (1 April 2008 for companies). The AIA gives a 100% write-off on most types of plant and machinery costs, including integral features and long life assets but not cars, of up to £50,000 p.a.

Any costs over the AIA fall into the normal capital allowance pools at either 10% or 20%. The £50,000 limit may need to be shared between certain businesses under common ownership.

### Other plant and machinery allowances

The annual rate of allowance is 20% from 6 April 2008 (1 April 2008 for companies). A 10% rate applies to expenditure incurred on integral features and on long life assets on or after 6 April 2008 (1 April 2008 for companies). Long life asset expenditure brought forward receives the 10% rate.

A temporary 40% first year allowance may be due for certain expenditure exceeding the AIA incurred in the 12 month period beginning on April 6 2009 (1 April 2009 for companies). A 100% first year allowance may still be available on certain energy efficient plant and cars.

### Cars

For expenditure incurred on cars on or after 6 April 2009 (1 April 2009 for companies), costs will generally be allocated to one of the two plant and machinery pools. Cars with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions not exceeding 160g/km will receive a 20% allowance p.a. Cars with CO<sub>2</sub> emissions over 160g/km will receive a 10% allowance p.a.

### Industrial and agricultural buildings and hotels

The annual rate of allowance is 2% (3% from 6 April 2009 (1 April 2009 for companies)). Special rules apply for accounting periods straddling these dates.

## VALUE ADDED TAX

Annual Registration Limit (from 1st May 2009):	£68000
Deregistration limit	£66000
Flat rate scheme limit	£150000
Cash accounting scheme limit	£1350000
Annual accounting limit	£1350000

Standard rate is:

15% 1 December 2008 to 31 December 2009

17.5% from 1 January 2010

## INHERITANCE TAX

### Chargeable Transfers

Death Rate	Lifetime Rate	2009	2008
%	%	£'000	£'000
NIL	NIL	0-325	0-312
40	20	over 325	over 312

Exemptions	£
Annual	3000
Small Gifts	250
Marriage Gifts: Parent	5000
Grandparent	2500
Party to Marriage	2500
Other	1000

Reduced charges on gifts within 7 years of death.

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

## SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFITS

### Per Week

Retirement Pension	£
Single	95.25
Married: Both Contributors (each)	95.25
Wife not Contributor (additional)	57.05

*The information on this card has been prepared from the Finance Bill 2009 and is subject to amendment before the Finance Act is passed.*

**If you require any further information on tax or accountancy matters - please contact David Wicks, Phil Morrish or Michelle Kidd-Tilley.**

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

## TAX FACTS 2009/10

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## INCOME TAX

2009/10		2008/09	
%	£	%	£
10*	0-2440	10*	0-2320
20**	2441-37400	20**	2321-34800
40***	over 37400	40***	over 34800

\* Only applicable to dividends and savings income

\*\* Except dividends (10%)

\*\*\* Except dividends (32.5%)

Other income taxed first, then savings income and finally dividends

## PERSONAL ALLOWANCES

	2009/10	2008/09
	£	£
Personal		
- under 65	6475	6035
- 65-74	9490	9030
- 75 and over	9640	9180
*Married Couples - less than 75 and born before 06.04.35	N/A	6535
- 75 and over	6965	6625
Age Allowance Income Limit	22900	21800
Blind Person	1890	1800

\*Relief restricted to 10%

Ages are as at the end of the tax year.

## CAR BENEFITS ETC.

### Company Cars

Charge based on percentage of list price

CO <sub>2</sub> emissions in grams per kilometre	Percentage of car's list price taxed
up to 135	15%
for every additional 5	additional 1%
235 and above	up to 35%(max)

1. For diesel cars add a 3% supplement but maximum still 35%

2. The list price includes accessories and is subject to an upper limit of £80000

3. For cars registered before 01.01.98 charge is based on engine size.

4. Discounts apply to certain environmentally friendly cars.

### Car Fuel Benefit

£16900 x "appropriate percentage"

("Appropriate percentage" is the percentage used to calculate the taxable benefit of the car for which the fuel is provided)

Vans 2009/10	- Van Benefit	£3000
	- Fuel Benefit	£500

These changes will not apply if a "restricted private use condition" is met throughout the year.

## STAMP DUTY AND STAMP DUTY LAND TAX

### Residential Property

Rate	Disadvantaged Areas	Other
	£	£
NIL	0 - 150,000*	0 - 125,000*
1%	150,001* - 250,000	125,001* - 250,000
3%	250,001 - 500,000	250,001 - 500,000
4%	over 500,000	over 500,000

\* £175,000 for transactions with an effective date on or after 3 September 2008 and before 1 January 2010

### Non-Residential Property

Rate	£
NIL	0 - 150,000
1%	150,001 - 250,000
3%	250,001 - 500,000
4%	over 500,000

### Shares and Securities

0.5%

## MILEAGE ALLOWANCES

Authorised tax free mileage rates for employees using their own cars for business are as follows:

	First 10000 miles	Miles over 10000
Cars and Vans	40p	25p

These mileage rates do not cover interest paid by an employee on a loan to purchase a car.

	2009/10	2008/09
Bicycles	20p	20p
Motorcycles	24p	24p

## NATIONAL INSURANCE

Earnings per week

Class 1 - Employees	2009/10	2008/09
Employees rate (not contracted out)		
11%	£110.01 - £844.00	£105.01 - £770.00
1%	£844.01 or more	£770.01 or more

### Employers rate (not contracted out)

12.8%	£110.01 or more	£105.01 or more
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### Class 2 - Self Employed

Weekly contribution	£2.40	£2.30
Annual profits limit	£5075	£4825

### Class 3 - Voluntary

Weekly contribution	£12.05	£8.10
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### Class 4 - Self Employed

8%	£5715 - £43875	£5435 - £40040
1%	£43875 or more	£40040 or more

## CAPITAL GAINS TAX

	2009/10	2008/09
Annual Exemptions	£	£
Individuals	10100	9600
Trusts	5050	4800

Balance of gains charged at 18%.

### Entrepreneurs' Relief

For gains arising on or after 6th April 2008, the first £1m of qualifying gains are charged at 10%. Gains in excess of £1m are charged at 18%.