

# Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003

### **2003 CHAPTER 1**

### PART 3

EMPLOYMENT INCOME: EARNINGS AND BENEFITS ETC. TREATED AS EARNINGS

### **CHAPTER 4**

TAXABLE BENEFITS: VOUCHERS AND CREDIT-TOKENS

General supplementary provisions

### 95 Disregard for money, goods or services obtained

- (1) This section applies if the cash equivalent of the benefit of a cash voucher, a non-cash voucher or a credit-token [F¹ or the relevant amount in respect of a cash voucher, a non-cash voucher or a credit-token]
  - (a) is to be treated as earnings from an employee's employment under this Chapter, F2...
  - <sup>F2</sup>(b) .....
- (2) Money, goods or services obtained—
  - (a) by the employee or another person in exchange for the cash voucher or non-cash voucher, or
  - (b) by the employee or a member of the employee's family by use of the credit-token,

are to be disregarded for the purposes of the Income Tax Acts.

(3) But the goods or services are not to be disregarded for the purposes of applying sections 362 and 363 (deductions where non-cash voucher or credit-token provided).

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- [F3(3A) In the case of a childcare voucher, the reference in subsection (2)(a) to the services obtained in exchange for the voucher is to the provision of care for a child obtained by using it.]
  - (4) In the case of a transport voucher, the reference in subsection (2)(a) to the services obtained in exchange for the voucher is to the passenger transport services obtained by using it.

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Words in s. 95(1) inserted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 2 para. 62 of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2017 (c. 10), Sch. 2 para. 51
- F2 S. 95(1)(b) and word omitted (with effect in accordance with s. 12(5) of the amending Act) by virtue of Finance Act 2015 (c. 11), s. 12(4)(a)
- F3 S. 95(3A) inserted (with effect in accordance with s. 78(2) of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2004 (c. 12), Sch. 13 para. 2(4)

## F496 Dispensations relating to vouchers or credit-tokens

### **Textual Amendments**

F4 S. 96 omitted (with effect in accordance with s. 12(5) of the amending Act) by virtue of Finance Act 2015 (c. 11), s. 12(3) (with s. 12(6)(7))

### [F596A Power to exempt use of non-cash vouchers or credit-tokens to obtain exempt benefits

- (1) The Treasury may by regulations provide for exemption from any liability that would otherwise arise by virtue of this Chapter in respect of—
  - (a) non-cash vouchers which are or can be used to obtain specified exempt benefits, or which evidence an employee's entitlement to specified exempt benefits;
  - (b) credit-tokens which are used to obtain specified exempt benefits.
- (2) In this section—

"exempt benefit" means a benefit the direct provision of which is exempted from liability to income tax by a provision of Part 4 (employment income: exemptions), and

"specified" means specified in the regulations.

(3) Regulations under this section may operate by amending section 266 (exemption of non-cash vouchers for exempt benefits) or section 267 (exemption of credit-tokens used for exempt benefits).]

### **Textual Amendments**

F5 S. 96A inserted (19.7.2006) by Finance Act 2006 (c. 25), s. 63

### **Changes to legislation:**

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