

# Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003

## **2003 CHAPTER 1**

### PART 5

EMPLOYMENT INCOME: DEDUCTIONS ALLOWED FROM EARNINGS

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DEDUCTIONS FOR EARNINGS REPRESENTING BENEFITS OR REIMBURSED EXPENSES

Travel costs and expenses where duties performed abroad

# 371 Travel costs and expenses where duties performed abroad: visiting spouse's [<sup>F1</sup>, civil partner's] or child's travel

(1) A deduction is allowed from earnings which are [<sup>F2</sup>relevant taxable earnings] if—

- (a) the earnings include an amount in respect of—
  - (i) the provision of travel facilities for a journey made by the employee's spouse [<sup>F3</sup>, civil partner] or child, or
  - (ii) the reimbursement of expenses incurred by the employee on such a journey, and
- (b) conditions A to C are met.

(2) The deduction is equal to the included amount.

- (3) Condition A is that the employee is absent from the United Kingdom for a continuous period of at least 60 days for the purpose of performing the duties of one or more employments.
- (4) Condition B is that the journey is between a place in the United Kingdom and a place outside the United Kingdom where such duties are performed.

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(5) Condition C is that the employee's spouse  $[F^4$ , civil partner] or child is—

- (a) accompanying the employee at the beginning of the period of absence,
- (b) visiting the employee during that period, or
- (c) returning to a place in the United Kingdom after so accompanying or visiting the employee.
- (6) A deduction is not allowed under this section for more than two outward and two return journeys by the same person in a tax year.
- (7) In this section "child" includes a stepchild and an illegitimate child, but not a person who is 18 or over at the beginning of the outward journey.
- [<sup>F5</sup>(8) In this section "relevant taxable earnings" has the meaning given by section 370(6).]

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Words in s. 371 heading inserted (5.12.2005) by The Tax and Civil Partnership Regulations 2005 (S.I. 2005/3229), regs. 1(1), 146(3)
- F2 Words in s. 371(1) substituted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 7 para. 81 of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2008 (c. 9), Sch. 7 para. 28(2)
- **F3** Words in s. 371(1)(a)(i) inserted (5.12.2005) by The Tax and Civil Partnership Regulations 2005 (S.I. 2005/3229), regs. 1(1), **146(2)**
- F4 Words in s. 371(5) inserted (5.12.2005) by The Tax and Civil Partnership Regulations 2005 (S.I. 2005/3229), regs. 1(1), 146(2)
- F5 S. 371(8) inserted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 7 para. 81 of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2008 (c. 9), Sch. 7 para. 28(3)

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