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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 24

PENALTIES FOR ERRORS

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 24 applied (N.I.) (1.4.2008) by [The Education \(Student Loans\) \(Repayment\) Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2000 \(S.R. 2000/121\)](#), **regs. 7(2A)(b)**, 26(4) (as amended by S.R. 2008/129, **regs. 1**, 3(a), 4)
- C1** Sch. 24 applied (N.I.) (6.4.2009) by [The Education \(Student Loans\) \(Repayment\) Regulations \(Northern Ireland\) 2009 \(S.R. 2009/128\)](#), **regs. 1(1)**, 9(3)(b), 35(4), 54(8)(b)
- C1** Sch. 24 applied (E.W.) (6.4.2009) by [The Education \(Student Loans\) \(Repayment\) Regulations 2009 \(S.I. 2009/470\)](#), **regs. 1(1)**, 13(3)(b), 40(4), 59(8)(b) (with **reg. 1(4)(6)**)
- C1** Sch. 24 modified (8.4.2010) by [Finance Act 2010 \(c. 13\)](#), **Sch. 1 para. 37**
- C1** Sch. 24 applied (6.4.2008) by [The Social Security \(Contributions\) Regulations 2001 \(S.I. 2001/1004\)](#), **reg. 81(1)(1A)**, **Sch. 4 paras. 21A(8)**, 21D(9), 21F(12), 22(7), **31(8)** (as amended by S.I. 2008/636, **reg. 7**; S.I. 2010/721, **reg. 4**; S.I. 2012/821, **reg. 11**)
- C1** Sch. 24 applied (with modifications) (19.4.2013) by [The Small Charitable Donations Regulations 2013 \(S.I. 2013/938\)](#), **regs. 1**, **15**
- C1** Sch. 24 excluded (17.7.2014) by [Finance Act 2014 \(c. 26\)](#), **Sch. 35 para. 13(a)**
- C1** Sch. 24 applied by 1993 c. 34, Sch. 20A para. 9A(6) (as inserted (19.12.2014) by [The Lloyd's Underwriters \(Conversion of Partnerships to Underwriting through Successor Companies\) \(Tax\) Regulations 2014 \(S.I. 2014/3133\)](#), **regs. 1**, **5(4)**)
- C1** Sch. 24 applied (with modifications) by 1992 c. 4, s. 11A(1)(3) (as inserted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 1 para. 35 of the amending Act) by [National Insurance Contributions Act 2015 \(c. 5\)](#), **Sch. 1 para. 3**)
- C1** Sch. 24 applied (with modifications) by 1992 c.7 (N.I.) s. 11A(1)(3) (as inserted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 1 para. 35 of the amending Act) by [National Insurance Contributions Act 2015 \(c. 5\)](#), **Sch. 1 para. 12**)
- C1** Sch. 24 applied (with application in accordance with reg. 1 of the amending S.I.) by [The Education \(Postgraduate Masters Degree Loans\) Regulations 2016 \(S.I. 2016/606\)](#), **regs. 1(1)**, **24(3)**
- C1** Sch. 24 applied (with application in accordance with reg. 1 of the amending S.I.) by [The Education \(Postgraduate Masters Degree Loans\) Regulations 2016 \(S.I. 2016/606\)](#), **regs. 1(1)**, **50(3)**
- C1** Sch. 24 applied (with application in accordance with reg. 1 of the amending S.I.) by [The Education \(Postgraduate Masters Degree Loans\) Regulations 2016 \(S.I. 2016/606\)](#), **regs. 1(1)**, **85(4)**
- C1** Sch. 24 applied (with modifications) (1.5.2023) by [The Value Added Tax \(Margin Schemes and Removal or Export of Goods: VAT-related Payments\) Order 2023 \(S.I. 2023/68\)](#), **arts. 1(1)**, **14** (with **art. 1(2)**)
- C1** Sch. 24 applied (14.9.2023) by [The Public Service Pension Schemes \(Rectification of Unlawful Discrimination\) \(Tax\) \(No. 2\) Regulations 2023 \(S.I. 2023/912\)](#), **regs. 1(2)**, **40(2)** (with **reg. 1(3)**)

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PART 1

LIABILITY FOR PENALTY

Modifications etc. (not altering text)

- C1** Sch. 24 Pt. 1 modified (10.6.2021 for specified purposes, 1.7.2021 for specified purposes) by 1994 c. 23, **Sch. 9ZF para. 9** (as inserted by Finance Act 2021 (c. 26), s. 95(6)(a), **Sch. 18 para. 6**); S.I. 2021/770, regs. 3, 4 (with regs. 5-7) (as amended (1.4.2022) by The Value Added Tax (Enforcement Related to Distance Selling and Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/226), regs. 1, **26(b)**)

Degrees of culpability

- 3 (1) [^{F1}For the purposes of a penalty under paragraph 1, inaccuracy in] a document given by P to HMRC is—
- (a) “careless” if the inaccuracy is due to failure by P to take reasonable care,
 - (b) “deliberate but not concealed” if the inaccuracy is deliberate [^{F2}on P's part] but P does not make arrangements to conceal it, and
 - (c) “deliberate and concealed” if the inaccuracy is deliberate [^{F2}on P's part] and P makes arrangements to conceal it (for example, by submitting false evidence in support of an inaccurate figure).
- (2) An inaccuracy in a document given by P to HMRC, which was neither careless nor deliberate [^{F3}on P's part] when the document was given, is to be treated as careless if P—
- (a) discovered the inaccuracy at some later time, and
 - (b) did not take reasonable steps to inform HMRC.
- [^{F4}(3) Paragraph 47 of Schedule 19 to FA 2016 (special measures for persistently unco-operative large businesses) provides for certain inaccuracies to be treated, for the purposes of this Schedule, as being due to a failure by P to take reasonable care.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in Sch. 24 para. 3(1) substituted (1.4.2009) by Finance Act 2008 (c. 9), s. 122(2), **Sch. 40 para. 5(2)(a)**; S.I. 2009/571, art. 2
- F2** Words in Sch. 24 para. 3(1) inserted (1.4.2009) by Finance Act 2008 (c. 9), s. 122(2), **Sch. 40 para. 5(2)(b)**; S.I. 2009/571, art. 2
- F3** Words in Sch. 24 para. 3(2) inserted (1.4.2009) by Finance Act 2008 (c. 9), s. 122(2), **Sch. 40 para. 5(3)**; S.I. 2009/571, art. 2
- F4** Sch. 24 para. 3(3) inserted (with effect in accordance with s. 161(2) of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2016 (c. 24), **Sch. 19 para. 48**

Commencement Information

- I1** Sch. 24 para. 3 in force at 1.4.2008 for certain purposes, 1.7.2008 for certain purposes, 1.1.2009 for certain purposes, and 1.4.2009 in so far as not already in force by S.I. 2008/568, **art. 2** (with **art. 3**)

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Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 993 modified by [2016 c. 24 s. 118\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 24 para. 12(5)(za) inserted by [2015 c. 11 Sch. 20 para. 6\(a\)](#)
- Sch. 24 para. 21A(A1) inserted by [2015 c. 11 Sch. 20 para. 7\(2\)](#)
- Sch. 24 para. 4A(A1)(1) substituted for Sch. 24 para. 4A(1) by [2015 c. 11 Sch. 20 para. 3\(2\)](#)