



Corporation Tax Act 2009

2009 CHAPTER 4

[^{F1}PART 15B

VIDEO GAMES DEVELOPMENT

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

Introductory

[^{F1}1217A Overview of Part

- (1) This Part is about video games development.
- (2) Sections 1217AA to 1217AF contain definitions and other provisions about interpretation that apply for the purposes of this Part. See, in particular—
 - (a) section 1217AA, which contains provision about the meaning of “video game”, and
 - (b) section 1217AB, which explains how a company comes to be treated as the video games development company in relation to a video game.
- (3) Chapter 2 is about the taxation of the activities of a video games development company and includes—
 - (a) provision for the company's activities in relation to [^{F2}each qualifying] video game to be treated as a separate trade, and
 - (b) provision about the calculation of the profits and losses of that trade.
- (4) Chapter 3 is about relief (called “video games tax relief”) which can be given to a video games development company—
 - (a) by way of additional deductions to be made in calculating the profits or losses of the company's separate trade, or

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- (b) by way of a payment (a “video game tax credit”) to be made on the company's surrender of losses from that trade.
- (5) Chapter 4 is about the relief which can be given for losses made by a video games development company in its separate trade, including provision for certain such losses to be transferred to other separate trades.
- (6) Chapter 5 provides—
- (a) for relief under Chapters 3 and 4 to be given on a provisional basis, and
 - (b) for such relief to be withdrawn if it turns out that conditions that must be met for such relief to be given are not actually met.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Pt. 15B inserted (17.7.2013 for specified purposes and 1.4.2014 in so far as not already in force) by [Finance Act 2013 \(c. 29\)](#), [Sch. 17 paras. 1, 2](#); [S.I. 2014/1962](#), [art. 2\(1\)\(2\)](#)
- F2** Words in s. 1217A(3)(a) substituted (with effect in accordance with s. 34(8) of the amending Act) by [Finance Act 2014 \(c. 26\)](#), [s. 34\(2\)](#)

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- Blanket amendment words substituted by [S.I. 2011/1043 art. 34](#)

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

- Pt. 13 Ch. 1A inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 5](#)
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- s. 962A(3A) inserted by [2023 c. 30 Sch. 2 para. 12\(6\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 963(1A) inserted by [2023 c. 30 Sch. 2 para. 12\(7\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 1040ZA(A1) inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 2 para. 5\(3\)](#)
- s. 1044(2A) inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 6\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 1044(5A)(5B) inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 6\(4\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 1045(2A) inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 6\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 1045(4A) inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 6\(5\)\(c\)](#)
- s. 1045ZA inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 6\(6\)](#)
- s. 1045ZA(2)(3) modified by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 21\(3\)\(4\)](#)
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- s. 1058B(5)(ea) inserted by [2023 c. 20 Sch. para. 57](#)
- s. 1062A inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 6\(15\)](#)
- s. 1094(2A)-(2C) inserted by [2012 c. 14 Sch. 3 para. 13\(3\)](#)
- s. 1106(4A)-(4C) inserted by [2012 c. 14 Sch. 3 para. 14\(3\)](#)
- s. 1129(3)(d) and word inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 9\(4\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 1131(4) inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 9\(5\)\(b\)](#)
- s. 1132A inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 9\(6\)](#)
- s. 1134(3)(e) substituted for s. 1134(3)(d) by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 9\(8\)\(e\)\(iv\)](#)
- s. 1138A applied by [S.I. 2024/348 reg. 3](#)
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- s. 1142C inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 9\(16\)](#)
- s. 1142D inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 9\(17\)](#)
- s. 1142E inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 9\(18\)](#)
- s. 1179DT(a) omitted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 12\(2\)\(a\)](#)
- s. 1179FL(a) omitted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 1 para. 12\(2\)\(b\)](#)
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- s. 1217QA(1)(a)(b) inserted by [2024 c. 3 Sch. 4 para. 2\(1\)](#)
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