

Corporation Tax Act 2010

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PART 12

REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUSTS

CHAPTER 7

GAINS ETC

Movement of assets

555 Assets: change of use

(1) Subsection (2) applies if-

- (a) an asset has been used wholly and exclusively for the purposes of property rental business of a company which is, or is a member of, a UK REIT, and
- (b) the asset begins to be used (otherwise than by being disposed of in the course of trade) wholly and exclusively for the purposes of residual business of the company.

(2) The asset is treated as having been at that time—

- (a) disposed of by the company so far as it carries on property rental business, and
- (b) immediately reacquired by the company so far as it carries on residual business.
- (3) The sale and reacquisition deemed under subsection (2) is to be treated as being for a consideration equal to the market value of the asset.

(4) For the purposes of CAA 2001-

- (a) a sale and reacquisition deemed under subsection (2)—
 - (i) does not give rise to allowances or charges, and

- (ii) does not make it possible to make an election under section 198 or 199 of that Act (apportionment),
- (b) subsection (3) does not apply, and
- (c) anything done by or to the company so far as it carries on property rental business before the deemed sale and reacquisition is to be treated after the deemed sale and reacquisition as having been done by or to the company so far as it carries on residual business.
- (5) If a percentage of the gains of property rental business of a member of a group UK REIT is excluded from a financial statement in accordance with section 533(3), that percentage of those gains is to be treated for corporation tax purposes as gains of the member's residual business.
- (6) This section has effect in relation to a non-UK member of a group UK REIT as if references to property rental business were references to UK property rental business.
- (7) Section 535 is relevant to the tax treatment of any gain arising to a company under this section.

556 Disposal of assets

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
 - (a) an asset has been used wholly and exclusively for the purposes of property rental business of a company which is, or is a member of, a UK REIT, ^{F1}...
 - (b) the asset is disposed of in the course of trade for the purposes of residual business of the company[^{F2}, and
 - (c) if the company is a member of a UK REIT, the disposal is not to another member of the UK REIT.]
- (2) If this subsection applies—
 - (a) the deemed sale and reacquisition under section 536(2) is to be ignored, and
 - (b) the asset is to be treated as having been disposed of in the course of the company's residual business.
- (3) Subsection (2) is to be taken to apply in particular if—
 - (a) a property acquired by a company which is, or is a member of, a UK REIT has been developed since acquisition,
 - (b) the cost of the development exceeds 30% of the ^{F3}... value of the property ^{F4}...,
 - (c) the company disposes of the property within the period of 3 years beginning with the completion of the development [^{F5}, and
 - (d) if the company is a member of a UK REIT, the disposal is not to another member of the UK REIT.]
- [^{F6}(3ZA) For the purposes of subsection (3)(b) the value of a property is to be treated as its fair value (determined in accordance with international accounting standards) at whichever of the following times that value is the greatest—
 - (a) on entry;
 - (b) when the property was acquired;
 - (c) the beginning of the accounting period in which the development commenced.]

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- [^{F7}(3A) Subsection (3B) applies in the case of a company ("C") which is, or is a member of, a UK REIT if—
 - (a) one or more properties acquired (directly or indirectly) by a relevant UK property rich company have been developed since acquisition,
 - (b) the cost of the development exceeds 30% of the ^{F8}... value of the property ^{F9}...,
 - (c) C disposes of any of its rights or interests in the relevant UK property rich company,
 - (d) the disposal is made within the period of 3 years beginning with the completion of the development, and
 - (e) if C is a member of a UK REIT, the disposal is not to another member of the UK REIT.

[For the purposes of subsection (3A)(b) the value of a property is to be treated as ^{F10}(3AA) its fair value (determined in accordance with international accounting standards) at whichever of the following times that value is the greatest—

- (a) on entry;
- (b) when the property was acquired;
- (c) the beginning of the accounting period in which the development commenced.]
- (3B) If this subsection applies, section 535A is not to apply in relation to so much of the amount of a gain accruing on the disposal as relates to the property which has been developed.
- (3C) For the purposes of subsection (3A)—
 - (a) a company is a "relevant UK property rich company" if, as a result of section 535A, any part of a gain accruing to C on a disposal of a right or interest in the company would not be a chargeable gain, and
 - (b) a relevant UK property rich company acquires property "indirectly" if property is acquired by someone other than the relevant UK property rich company and the property is taken into account in determining the value of the assets of the relevant UK property rich company.]
- - (5) If a percentage of the gains of property rental business of a member of a group UK REIT is excluded from a financial statement in accordance with section 533(3), that percentage of those gains is to be treated for corporation tax purposes as gains of the member's residual business.
 - (6) This section has effect in relation to a non-UK member of a group UK REIT as if references to property rental business were references to UK property rental business.
 - (7) Sections 535[^{F12}, 535A and 535B] are relevant to the tax treatment of any gain arising to a company under this section.

Textual Amendments

- F1 Word in s. 556(1) omitted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 4 para. 44 of the amending Act) by virtue of Finance Act 2012 (c. 14), Sch. 4 para. 43(2)(a)
- F2 S. 556(1)(c) and word inserted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 4 para. 44 of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2012 (c. 14), Sch. 4 para. 43(2)(b)

- F3 Word in s. 556(3)(b) omitted (with effect in relation to accounting periods beginning on or after 1.4.2023) by Finance (No. 2) Act 2023 (c. 30), Sch. 4 para. 4(2)(a)(6)
- F4 Word in s. 556(3)(b) omitted (with effect in relation to accounting periods beginning on or after 1.4.2023) by Finance (No. 2) Act 2023 (c. 30), Sch. 4 para. 4(2)(b)(6)
- F5 S. 556(3)(d) and word inserted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 4 para. 44 of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2012 (c. 14), Sch. 4 para. 43(3)(b)
- F6 S. 556(3ZA) inserted (with effect in relation to accounting periods beginning on or after 1.4.2023) by Finance (No. 2) Act 2023 (c. 30), Sch. 4 para. 4(3)(6)
- F7 S. 556(3A)-(3C) inserted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 1 paras. 120, 123 of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2019 (c. 1), Sch. 1 para. 118(2)
- **F8** Word in s. 556(3A)(b) omitted (in relation to accounting periods beginning on or after 1.4.2023) by Finance (No. 2) Act 2023 (c. 30), Sch. 4 para. 4(4)(a)(6)
- F9 Words in s. 556(3A)(b) omitted (with effect in relation to accounting periods beginning on or after 1.4.2023) by Finance (No. 2) Act 2023 (c. 30), Sch. 4 para. 4(4)(b)(6)
- F10 S. 556(3AA) inserted (with effect in relation to accounting periods beginning on or after 1.4.2023) by Finance (No. 2) Act 2023 (c. 30), Sch. 4 para. 4(5)(6)
- **F11** S. 556(4) omitted (17.7.2012) by virtue of Finance Act 2012 (c. 14), Sch. 4 para. 35(1) (with Sch. 4 para. 35(2))
- F12 Words in s. 556(7) substituted (with effect in relation to accounting periods beginning on or after 1.4.2020) by Finance Act 2020 (c. 14), Sch. 4 paras. 22, 42 (with Sch. 4 paras. 43-46)

557 Movement of assets into ring fence

- (1) Subsection (2) applies if—
 - (a) an asset has been used wholly and exclusively for the purposes of residual business of a company which is, or is a member of, a UK REIT, and
 - (b) the asset begins to be used wholly and exclusively for the purposes of the company so far as it carries on property rental business.
- (2) The asset is to be treated as having been at that time—
 - (a) disposed of by the company so far as it carries on residual business, and
 - (b) immediately reacquired by the company so far as it carries on property rental business.
- (3) The sale and reacquisition deemed under subsection (2) is to be treated as being for a consideration equal to the market value of the asset.
- (4) For the purposes of CAA 2001—
 - (a) a sale and reacquisition deemed under subsection (2)—
 - (i) does not give rise to allowances or charges, and
 - (ii) does not make it possible to make an election under section 198 or 199 of that Act (apportionment),
 - (b) subsection (3) does not apply, and
 - (c) anything done by or to the company so far as it carries on residual business before the deemed sale and reacquisition is to be treated after the deemed sale and reacquisition as having been done by or to the company so far as it carries on property rental business.
- (5) If a percentage of the gains of property rental business of a member of a group UK REIT is excluded from a financial statement in accordance with section 533(3), that percentage of those gains is to be treated for corporation tax purposes as gains of the member's residual business.

- (6) This section has effect in relation to a non-UK member of a group UK REIT as if references to property rental business were references to UK property rental business.
- (7) Section 535 is relevant to the tax treatment of any gain arising to a company under this section.

Demergers

558 Demergers: disposal of asset

(1) This section applies in the case of a company UK REIT if—

- (a) the company ("C") disposes of an asset involved in its property rental business to a 75% subsidiary ("S") of C,
- (b) C (so far as it carries on residual business) disposes of its interest in S to another company ("P"),
- (c) on the date when P acquires the interest in S, P gives a notice under section 523 specifying a date that falls within the post-disposal period, and
- (d) the group of which S is a member becomes a group UK REIT from the specified date.
- (2) "The post-disposal period" means the period of 6 months beginning with the date of the disposal of the asset by C.
- (3) P may give a notice under section 523 in accordance with subsection (1)(c) even if it does not expect to meet conditions [^{F13} C, E and F] in section 528 throughout accounting period 1.
- (4) Sections 536 and 537 (effects of entry) ^{F14}... do not apply to the group of which S is a member—
 - (a) in relation to the asset disposed of by C, or
 - (b) in relation to business conducted by the exploitation of that asset.
- (5) Sections 555 and 556 (movement of assets out of ring fence) do not apply to the disposal of the asset by C.
- (6) But if, at the end of the post-disposal period, conditions [^{F15}C, E and F] in section 528 are not met in relation to P, subsections (4) and (5) are to be treated as not having had effect.

Textual Amendments

- F13 Words in s. 558(3) substituted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 4 para. 13(2) of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2012 (c. 14), Sch. 4 para. 5
- **F14** Words in s. 558(4) omitted (17.7.2012) by virtue of Finance Act 2012 (c. 14), **Sch. 4 para. 36(1)** (with Sch. 4 para. 36(2))
- F15 Words in s. 558(6) substituted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 4 para. 13(2) of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2012 (c. 14), Sch. 4 para. 5

559 Demergers: company leaving group UK REIT

(1) This section applies in relation to a company if each of conditions A to D is met.

- (2) Condition A is that the company ("the exiting company") ceases to be a member of a group UK REIT ("Group 1").
- (3) Condition B is that at the time immediately after it ceases to be a member of Group 1—
 - (a) the exiting company is a member of another group ("Group 2") and—
 - (i) the principal company of Group 2 meets conditions A and B in section 528,
 - (ii) Group 2 has property rental business in relation to which conditions A and B in section 529 are met,
 - (iii) the condition in section 530 is met in relation to the principal company of Group 2, and
 - (iv) Group 2 meets conditions A and B in section 531, or
 - (b) the exiting company—
 - (i) meets conditions A and B in section 528,
 - (ii) has property rental business in relation to which conditions A and B in section 529 are met, and
 - (iii) meets the condition in section 530 and conditions A and B in section 531.
- (4) Condition C is that—
 - (a) in a case within subsection (3)(a), the principal company of Group 2 gives a notice under section 523 no later than the date on which the exiting company ceases to be a member of Group 1, and
 - (b) in a case within subsection (3)(b), the exiting company gives a notice under section 524 no later than the date on which it ceases to be a member of Group 1.
- (5) Condition D is that the date specified in the notice under section 523 or 524 (as the case may be) is the same as that on which the exiting company ceases to be a member of Group 1.
- (6) A company may give a notice under section 523 or 524 in accordance with subsection (4) even if it does not expect to meet conditions [^{F16}C, E and F] in section 528 throughout accounting period 1.
- (7) If this section applies, the exiting company is to be treated as a member of a group UK REIT (or as a company UK REIT) during the period of 6 months beginning with the time when it ceases to be a member of Group 1.
- (8) If this section applies, the following provisions do not have effect
 - sections 536 and 537 (effects of entry), ^{F17}... and
 - sections 579 and 580 (effects of cessation).
- (9) But if, at the end of the period of 6 months mentioned in subsection (7) conditions [^{F18}C, E and F] in section 528 are not met in relation to the principal company of Group 2 or the exiting company (as the case may be)—
 - (a) this section does not apply, and
 - (b) the exiting company is to be treated as having ceased to be a member of a group UK REIT (or a company UK REIT) on the date on which it ceased to be a member of Group 1.

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Textual Amendments

- F16 Words in s. 559(6) substituted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 4 para. 13(2) of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2012 (c. 14), Sch. 4 para. 6
- F17 Words in s. 559(8) omitted (17.7.2012) by virtue of Finance Act 2012 (c. 14), Sch. 4 para. 37
- **F18** Words in s. 559(9) substituted (with effect in accordance with Sch. 4 para. 13(2) of the amending Act) by Finance Act 2012 (c. 14), Sch. 4 para. 6

Interpretation

560 Interpretation of Chapter

This Chapter (other than section 559) is to be read as if it were contained in TCGA 1992.

Changes to legislation:

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