

Finance Act 2016

2016 CHAPTER 24

PART 1

INCOME TAX

Employment income: other provision

16 Employee share schemes

Schedule 3 contains miscellaneous minor amendments relating to employee share schemes.

17 Securities options

(1) In section 418 of ITEPA 2003 (provisions related to Part 7 of ITEPA 2003), in subsection (1), omit "(but not securities options)".

(2) In that section, after subsection (1) insert—

"(1A) But Chapters 1 and 10 of Part 3 do not have effect in relation to-

- (a) the acquisition of employment-related securities options (within the meaning of Chapter 5 of Part 7), or
- (b) chargeable events (within the meaning given by section 477) occurring in relation to such options."
- (3) In section 227 of that Act (scope of Part 4), in subsection (4), before paragraph (a) insert—

"(za) section 418(1A) (acquisition of, and chargeable events occurring in relation to, employment-related securities options);".

(4) The amendments made by this section come into force on 6 April 2016.

18 Employment income provided through third parties

- (1) Part 7A of ITEPA 2003 (employment income provided through third parties) is amended in accordance with subsections (2) and (3).
- (2) In section 554Z2 (value of relevant step to count as employment income) after subsection (1) insert—
 - "(1A) Where the value of a relevant step would (apart from this subsection) count as employment income of more than one person—
 - (a) the value of the relevant step is to be apportioned between each of those persons on a just and reasonable basis, and
 - (b) subsection (1) applies as if the reference to the value of the relevant step in relation to A were a reference to so much of the value of the relevant step that is apportioned to A."
- (3) In section 554Z8 (cases where consideration given for relevant step) in subsection (5), omit "and" at the end of paragraph (b) and after paragraph (c) insert ", and
 - (d) there is no connection (direct or indirect) between the payment and a tax avoidance arrangement."
- (4) Paragraph 59 of Schedule 2 to FA 2011 (transitional provision relating to Part 7A of ITEPA 2003) is amended in accordance with subsections (5) to (7).
- (5) In sub-paragraph (2) for the words from "the earnings" to the end substitute—
 - "(a) where sub-paragraph (2A) or (2B) applies, the earnings mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(f)(i) or any return on those earnings mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(f)(ii), and
 - (b) in any other case, the earnings mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(f)(i)."
- (6) After sub-paragraph (2) insert—

"(2A) This sub-paragraph applies where—

- (a) the agreement mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(d)(i) is made before 1 April 2017, and
- (b) A or B pays, or otherwise accounts for, any tax as mentioned in subparagraph (1)(e) in accordance with that agreement.
- (2B) This sub-paragraph applies where—
 - (a) the decision mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)(d)(ii) is made before 1 April 2017, and
 - (b) A or B pays, or otherwise accounts for, any tax as mentioned in subparagraph (1)(e) before 1 April 2017."

(7) At the end insert—

"(5) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (1)(e), a person is not to be regarded as having paid, or otherwise accounted for, any tax by reason only of making—

- (a) a payment on account of income tax,
- (b) a payment that is treated as a payment on account under section 223(3) of FA 2014 (accelerated payments), or
- (c) a payment pending determination of an appeal made in accordance with section 55 of TMA 1970."

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- (8) In Schedule 2 to FA 2011, omit paragraph 64 (power to make provision dealing with interactions etc.).
- (9) The amendment made by subsection (3) has effect in relation to payments made on or after 16 March 2016 by way of consideration for a relevant step (as defined in section 554A(2) of ITEPA 2003) taken on or after that date.
- (10) The amendment made by subsection (7) has effect in relation to chargeable steps (as defined in paragraph 59(1)(a) of Schedule 2 to FA 2011) taken on or after 16 March 2016.

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