
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

1998 No. 1429

INHERITANCE TAX

**The Inheritance Tax (Delivery of Accounts)
(Northern Ireland) Regulations 1998**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>9th June 1998</i>
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The Commissioners of Inland Revenue, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by section 256(1)(a) of the Inheritance Tax Act 1984(1), hereby make the following Regulations:

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Inheritance Tax (Delivery of Accounts) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1998, shall come into force on 1st July 1998 and shall have effect in relation to deaths occurring on or after 6th April 1998.

(2) These Regulations extend to Northern Ireland only.

2. In regulation 3 of the Capital Transfer Tax (Delivery of Accounts) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1981(2), for the definition of “an excepted estate” there shall be substituted the following definition—

““an excepted estate” means the estate of a person immediately before his death in a case where—

- (a) that person died on or after 6th April 1998, domiciled in the United Kingdom;
- (b) the value of that person’s estate is attributable wholly to property passing under his will or intestacy or under a nomination of an asset taking effect on death or by survivorship in a beneficial joint tenancy;
- (c) of that property not more than £50,000 represented value attributable to property which, immediately before that person’s death, was situated outside the United Kingdom;
- (d) that person died without having made any chargeable transfers during the period of seven years ending with his death other than specified transfers where the aggregate value transferred did not exceed £75,000; and

(1) 1984 c. 51. By virtue of section 100(1) and (2) of the Finance Act 1986 (c. 41), on and after 25th July 1986 the Capital Transfer Tax Act 1984 may be cited as the Inheritance Tax Act 1984, and any reference in that Act to capital transfer tax is to have effect as a reference to inheritance tax, except where the reference relates to a liability to tax arising before 25th July 1986.

(2) S.I. 1981/1441, amended by S.I. 1983/1911, 1987/1129, 1989/1080, 1990/1112, 1991/1250, 1995/1460 and 1996/1473.

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(e) the aggregate of the gross value of that person's estate and of the value transferred by any specified transfers made by that person did not exceed £200,000;

and in paragraphs (d) and (e) of this definition "specified transfers" means chargeable transfers made during the period of seven years ending with that person's death where the value transferred is attributable to cash or to quoted shares or securities;"

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9th June 1998

Two of the Commissioners of Inland Revenue

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

Regulation 4 of the Capital Transfer Tax (Delivery of Accounts) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 1981 (S.I. [1981/1441](#)) (“the principal Regulations”) provides that a person is not required to deliver an account of the property comprised in an excepted estate for inheritance tax purposes. (By virtue of section 100 of the Finance Act [1986 \(c. 41\)](#) capital transfer tax is now known as inheritance tax.) An excepted estate is defined in regulation 3 of the principal Regulations.

These Regulations substitute a new definition of “an excepted estate” in respect of deaths on or after 6th April 1998.

The definition now substituted differs from the previous definition in three respects. First, the limit for the value of the property situated outside the United Kingdom which may form part of the deceased’s estate is raised from £30,000 to £50,000. Secondly, the limit on the aggregate value of chargeable transfers that are “specified transfers” (as defined) made during the period of seven years ending with the deceased’s death is raised from £50,000 to £75,000. Thirdly, the limit on the aggregate of the gross value of the deceased’s estate and of the value transferred by any specified transfers made by the deceased is raised from £180,000 to £200,000.