Identification of taxpayers

PESEL number

Tax identification for individuals possessing the PESEL number, which do not conduct business activity or are not registered as VAT payers.

NIP

Identification number for individuals not possessing the PESEL number and the rest of the entities subject to registration duty.

Are you obliged to pay taxes in Poland?

If you reside here, then yes. Residing in Poland means that you have a center of vital interests here (personal or economic issues) or you stay on its territory for more than 183 days in a tax year.

A total of 183 days of stay 1st January 2016 31st December 2016

1% tax for the Public Benefit Organization

While completing the tax declaration form, you can decide who will receive 1% of your tax from the tax return. You lose nothing and additionally you can specify the purpose for which you want to spend the amount you would still have to transfer to the State Treasury.

A list of current public benefit organizations can be fund at: http://www.pozytek.gov.pl



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Double taxation

If you are performing work abroad and you do not want to be taxed twice (at the place of work and place of residence) check whether the taxation of income from your job is regulated by the bilateral double tax agreements.

Poland concluded such agreements with:

Albania, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, China, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Hungary, Indonesia, Iran, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Korea, Kuwait, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Northern Ireland, Portugal, Republic of South Africa, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Tajikistan, the Netherlands, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, Uzbekistan and USA.

Income taxation

If you reach the income (a surplus of total revenues over costs of obtaining them) you are required to pay income tax for individuals.

Taxation refers to:

- Conducting business activity in Poland.
- Performing work in Poland (on the basis of employment contract or civil law contracts).
- 3 Pension, annuity.
- 4 Scholarships, which are not exempted from taxation under the Natural Persons' Income Tax Act.

Submission of tax declaration PIT-37*

DEADLINES for tax declaration PIT-37

until 28 February 2017



The employer passes you and the corresponding Tax Office information about income and collected tax advances in the form of **PIT-11**

until 2 May 2017,

23:59



You submit a tax declaration form **PIT-37** for the year 2016

Tax declaration may be submitted to:

- personally in the corresponding Tax Office
- via the post office
- → via Internet using the **e-Deklaracje** system

The current **income tax threshold** amounts to: **3 091 PLN**.

This is the level of income that does not result in the obligation to pay income tax.

Some types of tax exemptions that can reduce the amount of your tax

Deducted from income

- → Internet relief*
- Rehabilitation relief
- → Relief for the blood donation
- Donation to the church charity and care activities, Donation for the purposes of religious cult
- → Donation to public benefit organizations

Deducted from taxes

- → Pro-family relief (for each child in the family)**
- Tax from abroad paid for the year 2016
- Construction relief
- → Interest relief

Tax underpayment

If you find that the amount of the advances is smaler than the amount of tax you are to pay - an underpayment appears. The underpaid amount is to be transferred to the bank account of the tax you refer to while submitting of a tax declaration.

Tax overpayment

Tax Office has to return the overpaid or unduly paid tax back to you. It can be done in two ways:

- transferred to your bank account (if you provide your bank account number to the Tax Office)
- by postal order to the correspondence address provided (NOTE! The amount of the overpayment will then be reduced by the cost of its return, which depend on the amount of the overpayment)

^{*} the most common tax declaration for persons receiving income through payers

^{*} maximum 760 PLN per year; only two successive tax years

^{** 500+} benefit is not taxable and does not limit the right to relief