

Tax - Breaking News

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Consistent with our commitment to provide updated information on current tax issues, you may find below a list of filing obligations for the forthcoming period. We emphasize that this is not a comprehensive list, but rather a list of the most important filings.

Withholding Tax

Taxes withheld in May

By 28 July

- Submission of withholding tax return for taxes withheld on the following sources of income:
 - Dividends
 - Interest
 - Royalties, if the recipient is an individual or a non-resident entity with no permanent establishment in Greece.

The deadline for the payment of the corresponding taxes due is **31 July**.

In order for reduced withholding rates pursuant to the Tax Treaties for the avoidance of double taxation to be applied, the foreign beneficiary of the income must provide the relevant tax residence certificate.

Respectively, in order to apply the provisions of the European Directives, as adopted by local provisions, and for nil tax to be withheld on income arising for non residents for dividends, interest and royalties, a nil withholding tax return must be filed with the relevant tax residence certificate.

By 31 July

- Submission of the withholding tax return and remittance of tax withheld in the following cases:
 - Salaries
 - Solidarity tax
 - Board of Directors fees
 - Employment severance payments

- Fees for technical services, administration and consulting fees, when the beneficiary of the income is an individual or is a non-EU resident entity

Other deadlines

By 20 July

- Direct electronic filing with the Bank of Greece of transactions effected within June (collections and payments of any nature) between legal entities operating in Greece and non-residents.
- Submission through the TAXISNET website of the list summarizing contracts and agreements concluded between entrepreneurs for the second quarter (1 April to 30 June 2017).

By 17 July

- Extension of the deadline for the electronic submission of the corporate income tax return of the entities whose fiscal year ended on 31 December 2016.
- Extension of the deadline for submission of the summary information sheet for intergroup transactions by all enterprises operating in Greece in any legal form whose fiscal year ended on 31 December 2016.

Obligations of enterprises arising from VAT and other indirect taxes and duties

By 17 July

- Payment of stamp duty on loans that were both concluded and recorded in the accounting books, during June between entrepreneurs (merchants), commercial entities and/or third parties.

By 26 July

- Submission through the TAXISNET website of the initial intra community transactions listings which include amounts invoiced within June, (reported by tax registration number of the counterparty established in other EU Member States), for acquisitions and supplies of goods as well as for the provision and receipt of services.

By 31 July

- Submission through the TAXISNET website of the periodic VAT return for June and payment of the amount due. The same deadline applies for submission of periodic VAT returns with a zero or credit balance.
- Submission of Intrastat returns for intra-community acquisitions and supplies of goods effected during June. The obligation to submit exists only when the value of intra-community transactions has exceeded the applicable annual threshold, which for 2017 is set at EUR 150 000 for arrivals and EUR 90 000 for dispatches.

Obligations of enterprises towards Social Security Funds and Labor authorities

By 31 July

- Payment of social security contributions to IKA – ETAM and other Social Security Organizations for the payroll period of June.
- Submission of the APR for the payroll period of June.
- Submission of APRs for the payroll period of January to May 2017 for the private sector salaried lawyers.

Other releases of interest

Extension of deadline of voluntary disclosure

- The provisions of Law 4446/2016 are extended by 30 September, according to which it is allowed the submission of tax returns with reduction or exemption, under conditions and on a case-by-case basis, of the surcharges for non-submission, inaccurate or late submission or payment (additional taxes and fines).

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