



Income Tax (Earnings and Pensions) Act 2003

2003 CHAPTER 1

PART 3

EMPLOYMENT INCOME: EARNINGS AND BENEFITS ETC. TREATED AS EARNINGS

CHAPTER 4

TAXABLE BENEFITS: VOUCHERS AND CREDIT-TOKENS

General supplementary provisions

95 Disregard for money, goods or services obtained

- (1) This section applies if the cash equivalent of the benefit of a cash voucher, a non-cash voucher or a credit-token—
 - (a) is to be treated as earnings from an employee's employment under this Chapter, or
 - (b) would be so treated but for a dispensation given under section 96.
- (2) Money, goods or services obtained—
 - (a) by the employee or another person in exchange for the cash voucher or non-cash voucher, or
 - (b) by the employee or a member of the employee's family by use of the credit-token,are to be disregarded for the purposes of the Income Tax Acts.
- (3) But the goods or services are not to be disregarded for the purposes of applying sections 362 and 363 (deductions where non-cash voucher or credit-token provided).

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[^{F1}(3A) In the case of a childcare voucher, the reference in subsection (2)(a) to the services obtained in exchange for the voucher is to the provision of care for a child obtained by using it.]

(4) In the case of a transport voucher, the reference in subsection (2)(a) to the services obtained in exchange for the voucher is to the passenger transport services obtained by using it.

Textual Amendments

F1 [S. 95\(3A\)](#) inserted (with effect in accordance with s. 78(2) of the amending Act) by [Finance Act 2004 \(c. 12\)](#), [Sch. 13 para. 2\(4\)](#)

96 Dispensations relating to vouchers or credit-tokens

- (1) This section applies where a person (“P”) supplies the Inland Revenue with a statement of the cases and circumstances in which—
 - (a) cash vouchers,
 - (b) non-cash vouchers, or
 - (c) credit-tokens,
 are provided for employees whether they are the employees of P or some other person.
- (2) If the Inland Revenue are satisfied that no additional tax is payable by virtue of this Chapter by reference to the vouchers or credit-tokens mentioned in the statement, they must give P a dispensation under this section.
- (3) A “dispensation” is a notice stating that the Inland Revenue agree that no additional tax is payable by virtue of this Chapter by reference to the vouchers or credit-tokens mentioned in the statement supplied by P.
- (4) If a dispensation is given under this section, nothing in this Chapter applies to the provision or use of the vouchers or credit-tokens covered by the dispensation.
- (5) If in their opinion there is reason to do so, the Inland Revenue may revoke a dispensation by giving a further notice to P.
- (6) That notice may revoke the dispensation from—
 - (a) the date when the dispensation was given, or
 - (b) a later date specified in the notice.
- (7) If the notice revokes the dispensation from the date when the dispensation was given—
 - (a) any liability to tax that would have arisen if the dispensation had never been given is to be treated as having arisen, and
 - (b) P and the employees in question must make all the returns which they would have had to make if the dispensation had never been given.
- (8) If the notice revokes the dispensation from a later date—
 - (a) any liability to tax that would have arisen if the dispensation had ceased to have effect on that date is to be treated as having arisen, and
 - (b) P and the employees in question must make all the returns which they would have had to make if the dispensation had ceased to have effect on that date.

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