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# Corporation Tax Act 2009

## **2009 CHAPTER 4**

## PART 3

### TRADING INCOME

## CHAPTER 6

## TRADE PROFITS: RECEIPTS

#### Reverse premiums

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- (1) For the purposes of sections 98 and 99 a payment or other benefit is a reverse premium if—
  - (a) conditions A, B and C are met, and
  - (b) it is not excluded by section 97.
- (2) Condition A is that a company ("the recipient") receives the payment or other benefit by way of inducement in connection with a transaction being entered into by—
  - (a) the recipient, or
  - (b) a person connected with the recipient.
- (3) Condition B is that the transaction (the "property transaction") is one under which—
  - (a) the recipient, or
  - (b) the person connected with the recipient,

becomes entitled to an estate, interest or right in or over land.

- (4) Condition C is that the payment or other benefit is paid or provided by—
  - (a) the person ("the grantor") by whom the estate, interest or right is granted or was granted at an earlier time,
  - (b) a person connected with the grantor, or

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(c) a nominee of, or a person acting on the directions of, the grantor or a person connected with the grantor.

#### 97 Excluded cases

- (1) A payment or other benefit is not a reverse premium so far as it is brought into account under section 532 of CAA 2001 (the general rule excluding contributions) to reduce the recipient's expenditure qualifying for capital allowances.
- (2) A payment or other benefit received in connection with a property transaction is not a reverse premium if—
  - (a) the person entering into the transaction is an individual, and
  - (b) the transaction relates to premises occupied or to be occupied by the individual as the individual's only or main residence.
- (3) A payment or other benefit is not a reverse premium so far as it is consideration for the transfer of an estate or interest in land which constitutes the sale in a sale and leaseback arrangement.
- (4) A "sale and leaseback arrangement" means any such arrangement as is described in [<sup>F1</sup>section 681AA(1) or (2) or 681AB(1) or (2) of ITA 2007 or][<sup>F2</sup>section 835(1) or (2), 836(1) or (2) or 850 of CTA 2010].

#### **Textual Amendments**

- F1 Words in s. 97(4) inserted (with effect in accordance with s. 381(1) of the amending Act) by Taxation (International and Other Provisions) Act 2010 (c. 8), s. 381(1), Sch. 8 para. 263 (with Sch. 9 paras. 1-9, 22)
- F2 Words in s. 97(4) substituted (with effect in accordance with s. 1184(1) of the amending Act) by Corporation Tax Act 2010 (c. 4), s. 1184(1), Sch. 1 para. 596 (with Sch. 2)

#### 98 Tax treatment of reverse premiums

- (1) A reverse premium is treated for corporation tax purposes as a receipt of a revenue nature.
- (2) If the recipient enters into the property transaction for the purposes of a trade carried on (or to be carried on) by the recipient, the reverse premium is brought into account in calculating the profits of the trade.
- (3) If subsection (2) does not apply, the reverse premium is charged to corporation tax in accordance with section 250 (reverse premium taxed as property business receipt).

#### 99 Arrangements not at arm's length

- (1) This section applies if—
  - (a) two or more of the parties to the property arrangements are connected persons, and
  - (b) the terms of those arrangements are not such as would reasonably have been expected if those persons had been dealing at arm's length.

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- (2) The terms of the property arrangements meet the condition in subsection (1)(b) if they differ to a significant extent from the terms which, at the time the arrangements were entered into, would be regarded as normal and reasonable—
  - (a) in the market conditions then prevailing, and
  - (b) between persons dealing with each other at arm's length in the open market.
- (3) The whole amount or value of the reverse premium brought into account under section 98 is brought into account in the first relevant period of account.
- (4) "The first relevant period of account" means the period of account in which the property transaction is entered into.
- (5) However if the recipient enters into the property transaction for the purposes of a trade—
  - (a) which is not then carried on by the recipient, but
  - (b) which the recipient subsequently starts to carry on,

"the first relevant period of account" means the first period of account in which the recipient carries on the trade.

#### 100 Connected persons and property arrangements

For the purposes of this section and sections 96 to 99—

- (a) persons are treated as connected with each other if they are connected at any time during the period when the property arrangements are entered into, and
- (b) "the property arrangements" means the property transaction and any arrangements entered into in connection with it (whether before it, at the same time as it or after it).

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