

# Corporation Tax Act 2009

## **2009 CHAPTER 4**

#### PART 3

TRADING INCOME

# [F1CHAPTER 6A

TRADE PROFITS: R&D EXPENDITURE CREDITS

Claims for credits

# [F1104A R&D expenditure credits

- (1) A company carrying on a trade may make a claim for an amount (an "R&D expenditure credit") to be brought into account as a receipt in calculating the profits of the trade for an accounting period.
- (2) The company is entitled to an R&D expenditure credit for the accounting period if the company has qualifying R&D expenditure which is allowable as a deduction in calculating for corporation tax purposes the profits of the trade for the accounting period.
- (3) In the case of a company that is a small or medium-sized enterprise in the accounting period, the company's "qualifying R&D expenditure" means—
  - (a) its qualifying expenditure on sub-contracted R&D (see section 104C),
  - (b) its subsidised qualifying expenditure (see section 104F), and
  - (c) its capped R&D expenditure (see section 104I).
- (4) In the case of a company that is a large company throughout the accounting period, the company's "qualifying R&D expenditure" means—
  - (a) its qualifying expenditure on in-house direct research and development (see section 104J),

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- (b) its qualifying expenditure on contracted out research and development (see section 104K), and
- (c) its qualifying expenditure on contributions to independent research and development (see section 104L).
- (5) The amount of an R&D expenditure credit to which a company is entitled is determined in accordance with section 104M.
- (6) Section 104N contains provision about the effect of a successful claim for an R&D expenditure credit.
- (7) Sections 104U to 104W contain provision about insurance companies and group companies.

[ Section 104WA contains provision about ineligible companies.]  $^{\rm F2}(7{\rm A})$ 

- (8) Section 104X contains anti-avoidance provision.
- (9) Section 104Y contains definitions.
- (10) For information about the procedure for making claims under this Chapter, see Schedule 18 to FA 1998, in particular Part 9A of that Schedule.]

#### **Textual Amendments**

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