



Various BIR Issuances

Revenue Regulations No. 14-2018 – Extension of deadline on the submission of sworn declaration of gross sales/receipts and clarification on the coverage of 10% CWT on professional fees of individual taxpayers

The BIR extended the deadline for income recipients/payees to submit their "Income Payee's Sworn Declaration of Gross Receipts/Sales", together with the Certificate of Registration (COR), to income payors/withholding agents for purposes of availing of exemption or 5% creditable withholding tax (CWT) from 6 April 2018 to 20 April 2018.

Likewise, the deadline for the submission by income payors/withholding agents of "Income Payee's Sworn Declaration of Gross Receipts/Sales", together with the List of Payees, to the BIR was extended from 20 April 2018 to 30 April 2018.

The BIR also clarified that 10% CWT on professional, promotional, and talent fees for services rendered by individuals shall also apply to VAT-registered individuals, regardless of the amount of professional, promotional, or talent fees paid to them.

Please see attached copy of RR 14-2018 for your reference and guidance.

Revenue Regulations No. 15-2018 – Extension of deadline for updating of registration of existing VAT-registered individual taxpayers to non-VAT for purposes of availing of the 8% tax

The BIR extended the deadline for updating the registration of existing VAT-registered individual taxpayers with gross sales/receipts and other non-operating income in the preceding year not exceeding

P3,000,000.00 qualified to avail of the 8% tax from 31 March 2018 to 30 April 2018.

Please see copy of RR 15-2018 for your reference and guidance.

Revenue Memorandum Circular No. 21-2018 – Clarification on the applicable penalties on the filing of amended tax returns

The BIR clarified that the interest penalty of 20% and surcharge of 25% under the Tax Code shall apply to the additional tax due to be paid on the amended returns filed by taxpayers. With regard to the application of compromise penalties, since they are only suggested amounts of the BIR in the settlement of criminal liability and are consensual in nature, the payment of compromise penalties cannot be imposed or exacted on the taxpayer. Thus, in case the taxpayer refuses to pay the suggested compromise penalty, the violation shall be referred to the appropriate BIR office for the filing of a criminal case.

BIR Tax Advisory - Submission of certificate of nonresident foreign corporation buyers for VAT refund purposes

For VAT refund applications filed from 1 January to 31 March 2018, the certified true copy of the Certificate of Incorporation of the nonresident foreign corporation-buyers of services must be submitted within 30 days from 31 March 2018 or on or before 30 April 2018.

Failure to submit a certified true copy of Certificate of Incorporation on or before 30 April 2018 shall mean non-compliance with submission of complete documents in support of a claim for VAT refund.

Please see attached Tax Advisory issued by the BIR on 27 March 2018.

Please refer to the following links for reference and guidance:

- [Revenue Regulation No. 14-2018](#)
- [Revenue Regulation No. 15-2018](#)
- [Revenue Memorandum Circular No. 21-2018](#)
- [Revenue Memorandum Circular No. 21-2018 Annex](#)
- [BIR Tax Advisory—27 March 2018](#)

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