

Tax Investigation Service

Shielding you during an HMRC Tax Investigation

Service Summary

When you subscribe to our service we are able to make a claim against our insurance policy held with Professional Fee Protection in respect of our fees incurred (up to $\pounds100,000$ per claim unless otherwise indicated) when we defend a client who is subject to any of the following events:

A Full Enquiry

This is an extensive examination which considers all aspects of the self assessment tax return. It will involve a comprehensive review by HMRC of all books and records relating to the entries made on the return. It will also feature the issue of a notice under S9A/S12AC TMA 1970 or paragraph 24(1) Schedule 18 FA 1998.

An Aspect Enquiry

This is where HMRC enquires into one or more aspects of the self assessment tax return, which may involve clarification of particular entries to detailed consideration of whether those entries have been treated correctly for tax purposes. It may involve a check on the records upon which the particular entries were based. It will also feature the issue of a notice under S9A/S12AC TMA 1970 or paragraph 24(1) Schedule 18 FA 1998.

IHT Cover

This relates to an estate or trust where our involvement is considered necessary following the submission of an IHT return which has been wholly prepared by us. The limit of indemnity for this is £5,000.

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Application for a Judicial Review

This is an application (during the course of a valid claim under the Policy) to the Administrative Court to challenge a decision of an official where no other legal recourse is available to the applicant. The limit of indemnity for this is £5,000.

Code of Practice 8 Investigations

This is where HMRC Specialist Investigations conduct an investigation in accordance with Code of Practice 8. The limit of indemnity for this is £5,000.

Interventions Cover (Informal Enquiries)

This is where HMRC issue a routine letter or telephone call with a view to obtaining clarification on particular points on a self assessment tax return without the issue of a statutory notice and not dealt with or excluded under any other section of this policy. The limit of indemnity for this is £2,000. The Main Exclusions in our service are as follows:

- The costs of making good any deficiencies in books, records, accounts or returns or work ordinarily capable of being done by the client.
- Claims which originate from any matter which existed before you join our service, except where full disclosure has been made and the increase in risk has been accepted in writing.
- Tax Credit Enquiries.
- CIS Gross Payment Status Disputes.
- Returns which have been submitted more than 90 days late.
- Any claim involving the Civil Investigation of Fraud procedure (Code of Practice 9) or Specialist Investigations except where a Code of Practice 8 booklet has been issued.

Full details available on request.