

## Webinar: Debt warehouse scheme and reduced rate of interest on other tax debts

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## **Debt Warehouse Scheme Overview**



#### Qualifying businesses

- It applies to all effected SMEs – no need to contact Revenue
- Larger firms impacted by Covid-19 and experiencing tax payment difficulties apply to the Collector General, or their LCD or MED branch contact

Revenue suspended debt collection and the charging of interest on late payment for

- January/February, March/April, May/June VAT periods
- February, March, April, May and June PAYE (Employer) liabilities
- Businesses still required to file timely returns

July Stimulus package provided legislation to provide that Revenue can warehouse Covid-19 tax debts

- 1. Restricted trading period plus 2 months
- 2. Warehouse of Covid-19 payroll and VAT debt, for 12 months at 0% interest rate
- 3. Interest rate of 3% per annum on the repayment of such 'warehoused tax debts' applies after that date

#### Practical experience to date



## **Reduced interest rate**

# **3%** per annum (**0.0082%** per day)

Current rate of interest on late tax payments

8% per annum (0.0219% per day) or 10% per annum (0.0273% per day)

#### Applicable from 1 August 2020

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### Debt Warehouse Scheme

## What can be warehoused – General Rule

All VAT and PREM liabilities falling due during the Covid-19 restricted trading period

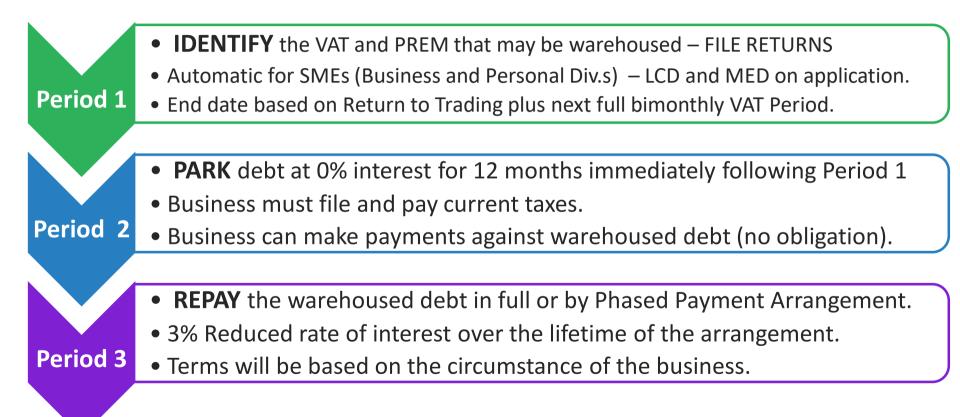
As a minimum liabilities for first two months after return to trading.

Note: Businesses who file and pay on a less frequent basis (Quarterly PREM, Bi-annual and Triannual VAT) may be able to warehouse additional liabilities based on their filing pattern.

All SMEs automatically qualify – large businesses on application

A detailed information booklet is available at: <u>https://www.revenue.ie/en/corporate/communications/documents/debt-warehousing-reduced-interest-measures.pdf</u>

## **The Warehouse Periods**



## **Filing Patterns**

## **VAT Filing Pattern**

#### **Standard**

All within Period 1

**Four and Six Monthly** 

If part is in Period 1 then all in

**Annual Filer** 

Y/E Feb to end Period 1+1 mth

## **PREM Filing Pattern**

**Standard** 

All within Period 1

**Quarterly** 

If part is in Period 1 then all in

**Annual** 

All of 2020

<b>Pets Corner</b> Return to trading in June 2020 Monthly PREM and Bi-monthly VAT							
Period 1 ends on 31 Aug-(Jul/Aug VAT )	PREM	VAT					
Resumes mid Jun so Jul/Aug (next bi- monthly) is included	All months from Feb to Aug can be warehoused. Note: Jan due in Feb <u>before</u> Covid - 19	All bi-monthlies fully within Period 1. Jan/Feb to Jul/Aug i.e. 4 returns included					

Muph's Pub and Grub Return to trading in July 2020 Monthly PREM and Bi-Monthly VAT							
Period 1 ends on 31 OCT– (Sep/Oct VAT)	PREM	VAT					
Resumes July so Sep/Oct (next bi- monthly) is included	All months from Feb to Oct can be warehoused. Note: Jan due in Feb <u>before</u> Covid - 19	All five returns from Jan/Feb to Sep/Oct can be warehoused.					

<b>The DIY Store</b> Return to trading in May 2020 Quarterly PREM and Tri Annual (Four Monthly) VAT						
Period 1 ends on 31 Aug - (Jul/Aug VAT)	PREM	VAT				
Resumes mid May so Jul/Aug (next bi- monthly) is included	Period 1 ends during Q3 so all Q3 (to end Sept.) plus Q1 and Q2	2nd Tri-Annaul (May to Aug) coincides with end of Period1 plus Jan/Apr				

Tasty Bites Return to trading in July 2020 Annual PREM and Bi-Annual (Six Monthly) VAT							
Period 1 ends on 31 OCT–(Sep/Oct VAT)	PREM	VAT					
Resumes mid Jul so Sep/Oct (next bi- monthly) is included	Annual filer so all 2020 is warehoused	2nd Bi-Annual (Jul to Dec) all included as part of Period 1 plus 1 <sup>st</sup> Bi-Annual (Jan to Jun)					



## **Reduced Interest Rate PPA for Other Debts**

## **Overview of New Reduced Interest Rate**

- Introduced under July Stimulus Package
- New Interest Rate of 3% for Phased Payment Arrangements
- Effective from 1 August or date of agreement if later
- Agreement to be in place by 30<sup>th</sup> September
- Applies to ALL non warehoused debt for ALL taxes
- Apply online via ROS
- When it's gone its gone 10%

### How to Apply

- PPA available from ROS services page
- Ensure all returns are filed otherwise you cannot proceed
- Specify down payment and number of repayments
- You will be presented with the schedule of repayments you can change your selection before proceeding.
- Supporting documentation will be requested if required
- Sign and submit

### **ROS Screen**

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Gifts & Inheritance		
Statement of Affairs (Probate) Form SA.2		
Other Services		
MyEnquiries	Drivers & Passengers with Disabilities	Mobile Access
Receipts Tracker Stay and Spend - Service Provider Registration	eRepayment Claims	Download Pre-populated Returns
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Verify Tax Clearance	VRT EU Leased Vehicle - Leasor	VAT OSS
Manage Reporting Obligations	Letter Of Tax Residence	View Property History
Manage Tax Registrations		Manage LPT / HC arrears
Charities and Sports Bodies eApplication	Customs UCC Portal	Transfer Property
Trust Register Functions		
Phased Payment Arrangement		
VAT Number Verification		

### **Example of Possible Savings – VAT or PREM**

Commencement	Term	Down Payment	€10,000	€20,000	€30,000	€40,000	€50,000	€60,000	€70,000
Start 10th Sep 2020 for Nov/Dec 2019 VAT	36 Months	€100	€1,078	€2,155	€3,233	€4,310	€5,388	€6,465	€7,543
Start 10th Sep 2020 for Nov/Dec 2019 VAT	48 Months	€400	€1,382	€2,763	€4,145	€5,527	€6,909	€8,290	€9,672
Start 10h Sep 2020 for Nov/Dec 2019 VAT	60 Months	€400	€1,718	€3,437	€5,155	€6,874	€8,592	€10,311	€12,029

## **Example of Possible Savings – IT or CT**

Commencement	Term	Down Payment	€10,000	€20,000	€30,000	€40,000	€50,000	€60,000	€70,000
Start 10 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2020 for 2018 IT	36 Months	€100	€769	€1,538	€2,307	€3,075	€3,844	€4,613	€5,382
Start 10 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2020 for 2018 IT	48 Months	€400	€986	€1,972	€2,958	€3,944	€4,930	€5,915	€6,901
Start 10 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2020 for 2018 IT	60 Months	€400	€1,226	€2,452	€3,678	€4,905	€6,131	€7,357	€8,583

## **Benefits**

- Qualify for Tax Clearance where debt is in a PPA
- Meets the tax clearance requirement of
  - Employment Wage Subsidy Scheme (EWSS)
  - Stay and Spend scheme providers
- Flexibility on application on downpayment and repayment term
- Additional flexibility during repayment term depending on business needs in relation to deferral and payment breaks

### A detailed information booklet is available on the Revenue website <u>Debt warehousing-reduced interest measures</u>

# Questions

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