

Choose your RWT deduction rate

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Please take this form to your interest payer (for example, bank or financial institution) not to Read the notes on the back to help you complete this form. Name of interest payer Your full name or the name of your estate, trust, partnership or the registered name of your company Is this election for a company? Yes No Your IRD number Your address Your contact number 7. Deduct tax at the rate of 28% 33% 39% companies Deduct tax at the rate of 10.5% 17.5% 30% 33% 39% individuals, trustees and testamentary trusts Bank Branch Account number Suffix 9. If your interest payer is a bank or financial institution, provide your account numbers The rate you have chosen will apply to all your accounts held at this bank or financial institution. Please check that you have fully completed this form as your financial institution may not process it if you have not provided all the details requested. Signature Date

Notes

If you receive interest from a person or organisation, RWT (resident withholding tax) is usually deducted from those interest payments before they are credited to you. This might be interest from financial institutions (for example, banks, finance companies, building societies or credit unions).

Companies

You must notify your interest payer that you're a company.

If you've given your interest payer your IRD number and company status, you may use either the 28%, 33% or 39% rate. If you do not choose a resident withholding tax rate, tax will be deducted from your interest payments at 28%.

There are two exceptions:

- Trustees are not required to notify their company status and may use the 17.5%, 30%, 33% or 39% rate. If you are a trustee of a testamentary trust, you may use the 10.5%, 17.5%, 30%, 33% or 39% rate.
- Māori authorities are not required to notify their company status and may use the 17.5%, 30%, 33% or 39% rate.

Non-declaration rate - If you have **not** given your IRD number to your interest payer, RWT will be deducted at the 'non-declaration' rate of 45%.

All others

If you've given your interest payer your IRD number, you may use the 10.5%, 17.5%, 30%, 33% or 39% (from 1 October 2021. You'll need to contact your interest payer to update this rate after 1 October) rate. This is the amount of tax to be deducted during the year. It should match your income tax rate.

If the resident withholding tax rate (RWT) you choose does not match your income tax rate you may receive an end of year tax bill. If you do not choose a RWT rate, tax will be deducted from your interest payments at 33%.

Non-declaration rate - If you have **not** given your IRD number to your interest payer, RWT will be deducted at the 'non-declaration' rate of 45%.

If your total income (before tax) for the year is	your RWT rate is
\$14,000 or less	10.5%
\$14,001 - \$48,000	17.5%
\$48,001 - \$70,000	30%
\$70,000 to \$180,000	33%
Over \$180,000	39%

If you have a joint account, you can only use one RWT rate. So you'll need to decide which is the most appropriate rate. For example, if you both earn over \$180,000, choosing the 39% rate will avoid an end of year tax bill. If one account holder earns over \$48,000 and the other less than \$48,000, choosing the 30% rate will avoid the higher earner having an end-of-year tax bill.

If a resident and a non-resident hold a joint account, resident withholding tax must be deducted from all interest paid on the account. The non resident may claim a refund by completing either an IR3NR - non-resident income tax return or a IR386 - New Zealand non resident withholding tax refund form.

For more help

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