

ANY REPLY OR SUBSEQUENT REFERENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY AND THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE NUMBER QUOTED:-

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Division: Public Expenditure Policy Coordination Division

Permanent Secretaries
Heads of Departments
Chief Executive Officers of Executive Agencies (budget funded)
Chairmen of Educational Institutions (i.e. schools, universities and colleges)
Chairmen of Regional Health Authorities

Re: Payment of Statutory Deductions by the Accountant General's Department

The attention of Permanent Secretaries, Chief Executive Officers of budget funded Executive Agencies', Heads of Departments, Heads of Educational Institutions and Regional Health Authorities is invited to the following revised guidelines in respect of payment of statutory deductions.

- 1. With effect from March 1, 2014, Ministries, Departments, Agencies (MDAs), Educational Institutions and Regional Health Authorities must submit the attached **Statutory Deduction Form**, stating the actual amount payable for the following statutory deductions:
 - 1.1. Income Tax
 - 1.2. Education Tax
 - 1.3. NIS employees' and employer's contributions
 - 1.4. NHT employees' and employer's contributions
- 2. MDAs must submit the Statutory Deduction Form to the Public Expenditure Division in the Ministry of Finance and Planning (MOFP), no later than ten (10) working days of the month in which the salary is being paid. In order to meet this deadline, Educational Institutions, Regional Health Authorities and Outstations of Ministries must submit the

Statutory Deduction Form to their portfolio Ministry within five (5) working days of the month so that the information can be incorporated in the overall submission to this Ministry.

- 3. The MOFP must submit the statutory deduction information to the Accountant General's Department by the nineteenth (19th) day of each month.
- 4. The Accountant General's Department, based on the information provided at (3) above, shall pay over to the Tax Administration of Jamaica (TAJ) the amount payable for statutory deductions.
- 5. The MDAs must prepare monthly reconciliation to ensure that the correct amount for statutory deductions is paid. However, if an error occurred where the amount paid is greater or less than the amount payable, the MDA must do the necessary adjustment(s) in the subsequent month.
- 6. The Accountant General's Department shall issue advice to the MDAs upon payment of the statutory deductions.
- 7. Upon receipt of the payment of statutory deductions, TAJ shall issue receipts to all the Public Entities for which the payments were made.

Conclusion

This Circular supersedes the following circulars:

- Circular No.19 dated August 26, 2003
- Circular No.28 dated November 13, 2003
- Circular No. 8 dated March 23, 2004
- Circular No. 15 dated March 30, 2006

Permanent Secretaries, Heads of Departments, Chief Executive Officers, Heads of Educational Institutions and Health Authorities must ensure that this Circular is brought to the attention of all relevant officers.

Devon Rowe

Financial Secretary

STATUTORY DEDUCTIONS PAYABLE

MONTH	MINISTRY/DEPARTMENT/AGENCY

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				MINISTRY/ DEPARTMENT/ AGENCY/ INSTITUTION
TOTAL				TAX REGISTRATION NUMBER
				NATIONAL INSURANCE SCHEME NUMBER
				INCOME TAX (PAYE)
				EDUCATION TAX
				NHT EMPLOYEES' CONTRIBUTION
				NHT EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTION
				NIS EMPLOYEES' CONTRIBUTION
				NIS EMPLOYER'S CONTRIBUTION
				GRAND TOTAL

PRINCIPAL FINANCE OFFICER

FINANCIAL CONTROLLER/DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Date

Date

