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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 49

Section 97

POWERS TO OBTAIN CONTACT DETAILS FOR DEBTORS

Requirement for contact details for debtor

- 1 (1) This Schedule applies where—
 - (a) a sum is payable by a person ("the debtor") to the Commissioners under or by virtue of an enactment or under a contract settlement,
 - (b) an officer of Revenue and Customs reasonably requires contact details for the debtor for the purpose of collecting that sum,
 - (c) the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that a person ("the third party") has any such details, and
 - (d) the condition in sub-paragraph (2) is met.
 - (2) That condition is that—
 - (a) the third party is a company, a local authority or a local authority association, or
 - (b) the officer has reasonable grounds to believe that the third party obtained the details in the course of carrying on a business.
 - (3) This Schedule does not apply if—
 - (a) the third party is a charity and obtained the details in the course of providing services free of charge, or
 - (b) the third party is not a charity but obtained the details in the course of providing services on behalf of a charity that are free of charge to the recipient of the service.

Power to obtain details

- 2 (1) An officer of Revenue and Customs may by notice in writing require the third party to provide the details.
 - (2) The notice must name the debtor.

Complying with notices

- If a notice is given to the third party under this Schedule, the third party must provide the details—
 - (a) within such period, and
 - (b) at such time, by such means and in such form (if any), as is reasonably specified or described in the notice.

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Right to appeal

- 4 (1) The third party may appeal against the notice or any requirement in the notice on the ground that it would be unduly onerous to comply with the notice or requirement.
 - (2) Paragraph 32 of Schedule 36 to FA 2008 (procedure on appeal to tribunal) applies to an appeal under this paragraph as it applies to an appeal relating to a notice under that Schedule.

Penalty

- 5 (1) This paragraph applies if the third party fails to comply with the notice.
 - (2) The third party is liable to a penalty of £300.
 - (3) Paragraphs 44 to 49 and 52 of Schedule 36 to FA 2008 (assessment and enforcement of penalties etc) apply in relation to a penalty under this paragraph as they apply in relation to a penalty under paragraph 39(1)(a) of that Schedule (and references in those provisions to an information notice include a notice under this Schedule).

Power to change amount of penalty

- 6 (1) If it appears to the Treasury that there has been a change in the value of money since the last relevant date, they may by regulations substitute for the sum for the time being specified in paragraph 5 such other sum as appears to them to be justified by the change.
 - (2) In sub-paragraph (1) "relevant date" means—
 - (a) the date on which this Act is passed, and
 - (b) each date on which the power conferred by that sub-paragraph has been exercised.
 - (3) Regulations under this paragraph do not apply to any failure which began before the date on which they come into force.
 - (4) Regulations made by the Treasury under this paragraph are to be made by statutory instrument.
 - (5) A statutory instrument containing regulations under this paragraph is subject to annulment in pursuance of a resolution of the House of Commons.

Application of provisions of TMA 1970

- Subject to the provisions of this Schedule, the following provisions of TMA 1970 apply for the purposes of this Schedule as they apply for the purposes of the Taxes Acts—
 - (a) section 108 (responsibility of company officers),
 - (b) section 114 (want of form), and
 - (c) section 115 (delivery and service of documents).

General interpretation

8 In this Schedule—

"business" includes—

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- (a) a profession, and
- (b) a property business;

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"the Commissioners" means the Commissioners for Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs;

"contact details", in relation to a person, means the person's address and any other information about how the person may be contacted;

"contract settlement" means an agreement made in connection with any person's liability to make a payment to the Commissioners under or by virtue of an enactment;

"enactment" includes subordinate legislation (within the meaning of the Interpretation Act 1978);

"local authority" has the meaning given in section 999 of ITA 2007;

"local authority association" has the meaning given in section 1000 of that Act;

"property business" has the same meaning as in ITTOIA 2005 (see section 263(6) of that Act).

Textual Amendments

Words in Sch. 49 para. 8 omitted (1.4.2012) by virtue of Finance Act 2010 (c. 13), Sch. 6 paras. 26, 34(2); S.I. 2012/736, art. 20

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- s. 102(4)(za) inserted by 2010 c. 33 Sch. 9 para. 3(3)
- Sch. 53 para. 2A-2D and cross-heading inserted by 2010 c. 33 Sch. 9 para. 7
- Sch. 53 para. 6A and cross-heading inserted by 2010 c. 33 Sch. 9 para. 8
- Sch. 53 para. 11A11B and cross-heading inserted by 2010 c. 33 Sch. 9 para. 17
- Sch. 53 para. 14A and cross-heading inserted by 2010 c. 33 Sch. 9 para. 18
- Sch. 54 para. 9B9C and cross-heading inserted by 2010 c. 33 Sch. 9 para. 11 (Sch. 54 para. 9B is amended before it comes into force by 2016 c. 24, Sch. 1 para. 66(5))
- Sch. 54 para. 12A12B and cross-heading inserted by 2010 c. 33 Sch. 9 para. 19
- Sch. 54 Pt. A1 inserted by 2010 c. 33 Sch. 9 para. 10 (Sch. 9 para. 10 is amended before it comes into force by 2017 c. 32, Sch. 4 para. 182)
- Sch. 55 para. 6(3A)(za) inserted by 2015 c. 11 Sch. 20 para. 15(2)(a)
- Sch. 55 para. 6(4A)(za) inserted by 2015 c. 11 Sch. 20 para. 15(3)(a)
- Sch. 55 para. 17(4)(ba) inserted by 2015 c. 11 Sch. 20 para. 19
- Sch. 56 para. 3(1)(d) omitted by 2021 c. 26 Sch. 27 para. 40(4)(c)