

PUBLIC NOTICE

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DECLARATION AND PAYMENT OF FREIGHT TAX

This notice serves to inform all taxpayers who are liable for the payment of freight tax to declare and pay such tax to the Namibia Revenue Agency (NamRA) on time. Section 34 of the Income Tax Act, 1981 (Act No. 24 of 1981) ("the Act"), provides for the imposition of freight tax as summarized below:

1. The tax is levied on income generated by non-resident owners or charterers of ships or aircrafts from embarking passengers and loading of livestock, mails or goods in Namibia.
2. The tax is calculated on 10% of the gross income (deemed taxable income) derived from such freight services. The applicable tax rate is 32% for all companies while natural persons will be taxed on individual tax rates.
3. The tax is payable before the departure of ships and aircrafts unless such a non-resident person has a recognized agent in Namibia. The Act empowers NamRA to detain the clearance of any ship or aircraft until the tax is fully paid.

NamRA herewith urges all persons who have rendered freight services and earned income from such services, to voluntarily apply for registration, declare accurately and pay the right amount of tax on all such generated income by **1 December 2023**.

All inquiries relating to this public communication should be sent via electronic mail to info@namra.org.na.

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