

GUIDANCE NOTE CT100

HOW TO COMPLETE FORM CT1

Your company tax return

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About this guide

This guide will help you complete Form CT1 and prepare your Company Tax Return. It is not a guide to the Income Tax Act 2010 ("The Act") or any other relevant legislation. You may need to speak to a professional tax adviser if there are any points you are unsure of.

Throughout this Guide and on Form CT1, "company" means the company which is the subject of that return, unless expressly stated otherwise.

Your obligation to file a return

In accordance with **Section 29** of The Act, any company in receipt of assessable income in Gibraltar, or, as from 2016, any company registered with Companies House Gibraltar, is required to make a full and complete return of its income, whether or not there will be a tax liability for the period covered by the return.

Section 29 of The Act also states that corporate returns are to be filed within 9 months after the end of the month in which the accounting period, as defined in **Section 16** of The Act, ends.

What constitutes a full and complete return?

A Corporate Tax Return consists of a fully completed and signed Form CT1 and includes the following **compulsory elements**:

- Accounts (Financial Statements) of the company which are the subject of the return as stipulated in the next section
- Detailed Tax Computation (for companies with assessable income in Gibraltar in the period covered by the return)
- P8 Reconciliation (for companies with any employees during the period covered by the return unless the period ends on 30th June).

A company which is **in the process of being liquidated** and has **no assessable income in Gibraltar** is required to comply with the minimum accounts filing requirements and filing deadlines imposed by the Companies Act 2014 ("CA 2014").

A company which is **in the process of being liquidated** and has **assessable income in Gibraltar** is required to comply with the minimum accounts filing requirements imposed by the CA 2014 in addition to a **Detailed Tax Computation**. **Full settlement of any tax liability** is required within 30 days from the filing date.

A company which is **pending being struck off the Register** (under the CA 2014) is required to make a full and complete return until such time as it is struck off and thereby dissolved. In the event that a company which has previously been struck off should be reinstated on the Register, its filing obligations in accordance with section 29 of the ITA 2010 will apply.

Minimum Accounts filing requirements

The minimum requirements for a company to be compliant with its filing obligations under section 29 of the ITA 2010 vary depending on the following points and can be viewed on the following tables extracted from Form CT1:

- The type of registration under the CA 2014;
- Whether it has assessable income in Gibraltar and, if so, the level of such income; and
- Whether it is in the process of being liquidated.

	Minimum accounts f	iling requirements for all co	ompanies	
Type of registration under the Companies Act 2014 ("CA 2014")	No assessable income in Gibraltar	Assessable income in Gibraltar less than £1.75m	Assessable income in Gibraltar equal to or greater than £1.75m	
Company not registered in Gibraltar	No requirement to submit a return			
Company incorporated in Gibraltar (section 14, CA 2014)		Unaudited accounts plus an	Audited accounts	
Public limited company (section 14 or 38, CA 2014)		Independent Accountant's Report	Addited accounts	
Company redomiciled into Gibraltar (section 442, CA 2014)	Accounts as required under the Companies Act 2014 (subject to 9 month			
A non-Gibraltar company with a place of business in Gibraltar (section 431 Part XII, CA 2014)	deadline imposed by section 29(3) of the ITA 2010)	Unaudited accounts of the non- Gibraltar company plus an extract of the Gibraltar-based activity plus a statement	If the non-Gibraltar company's accounts are audited, then those audited accounts plus an extract of the Gibraltar-based activity plus a statement confirming that the Gibraltar figures have been extracted from the non-Gibraltar company's accounts. If the non-Gibraltar company's accounts are not audited, then audited accounts of the Gibraltar-based activity	
A branch of a non-Gibraltar company (section 435 Part XIV, CA 2014)		confirming that the Gibraltar figures have been extracted from the non-Gibraltar companies accounts		
Company in the process of liquidation	Accoun	nts as required under the Companies	Act 2014, subject to (i) below	

This table on the right is specific for companies with no income assessable to tax in Gibraltar

Size of company	A company's si meets at lea	Minimum filing			
(as submitted to Companies' House)	Net Turnover (pro-rated if not equal to 12 months)	Balance Sheet Total (total assets)	Average number of persons employed in each year	requirement	
Micro-Entity	Does not exceed £632,000	Does not exceed £316,000	Does not exceed 10	Abridged Balance Sheet	
Small	Does not exceed £10.2 million	Does not exceed £5.1 million	Does not exceed 50	Abridged Balance Sheet	
Medium	Does not exceed £36 million	Does not exceed £18 million	Does not exceed 250	Full Abridged 2 Accounts	
Large 1	Exceeds £36 million	Exceeds £18 million	Exceeds 250	Full Accounts	

- 2 Full Abridged Accounts consist of a Balance Sheet, Abridged Profit and Loss Account, Notes, Directors' Report and Auditor's Report.
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Penalty for non-compliance with filing obligations

If a company fails to submit a complete return by its respective due date, it will incur penalties in accordance with **Section 65** of the Act. With effect from 1 January 2025, the penalty amounts would be determined by the company's size as defined by Schedule 9 of the Companies Act 2014 as follows:

	Micro or Small	Medium	Large
1st penalty due on the day immediately after the return is due	£100	£750	£1,500
2 nd penalty due after 3 months from the return's due date	£450	£1,250	£3,500
3 rd penalty due after 6 months from the return's due date	£750	£2,000	£5,000

Prior to 1 January 2025, penalties were as follows for all companies:

- 1st penalty of £50 on the day immediately after the return is due
- 2nd penalty of £300 after 3 months from the return's due date
- 3rd penalty of £500 after 6 months from the return's due date

For example: Accounting period end: 31 December 2024

Return filing deadline: 30 September 2025

1st penalty issued from: 1 October 2025 2nd penalty issued from: 1 January 2026

3rd penalty issued from: 1 April 2026

If you make a false return of your income, you may also be liable to a fine of up to 150% of the difference in tax due. See **Section 66** of the Act.

Section A - Period in respect of which this return is made

This section must be completed by all companies making a return.

A1 Enter the first day of the accounting period which is the subject of the

return.

A2 Enter the last day of the accounting period which is the subject of the

return.

Section B - Taxpayer Details

This section must be completed by all companies making a return.

B1 Enter the name of the company as stated on its certificate of

incorporation or, if the company has changed its name thereafter, as

stated on the certificate of change of name.

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Enter the Gibraltar incorporation number as stated on the company's **B2** certificate of incorporation. Enter the Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN), also known as **B3** Taxpayer's Reference Number, as provided by the Gibraltar Income Tax Office. If you do not know the company's TIN, please request it via email at corporate.enquiries@gibraltar.gov.gi **B4** Enter the company's registered address. **B5** This is an standard industry code which is used throughout Europe and denotes a company's principal activity. The code is composed of five digits, where the first digit may be zero. Where this is the case, enter zero in the first box, followed by the remaining four digits. A copy of the full list of codes is available on the Companies House webpage at www.companieshouse.gi/publications/FAR20.pdf **B6 & B7** If the company is trading in Gibraltar and the address of the company's principal place of business is different to the registered address entered in B4 above, please enter the trading address at B7. Otherwise, please tick box B6. **B8 & B9** If the company trades under a different name to that which is stated on its certificate of incorporation (or change of name) as entered at B1 above, please enter the trading name at B9. Otherwise, please tick box B8. **B10** to **B15** Every company registered in Gibraltar or having assessable income in Gibraltar is required to make a return of its income by its appropriate filing date, in accordance with Section 29 of the ITA 2010. All companies trading in or from Gibraltar are required to register in Gibraltar under the CA 2014. As stated on page 2 of this guide, a company's minimum accounts filing requirements depend on three factors: the type of registration under the CA 2014 and the level of assessable income in Gibraltar and whether the company is in the process of being liquidated. This section of the return requires you to indicate whether the company is registered in Gibraltar and, if so, what type of registration this is. **B10** Tick this box if the company is incorporated in Gibraltar and is not a Public Limited Company. **B11** Tick this box if the company is a Public Limited Company incorporated in Gibraltar or re-registered (from private to public company) under section 38 of the CA 2014.

Tick this box if the company was incorporated outside Gibraltar and was

re-domiciled into Gibraltar under section 442 of the CA 2014.

B12

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B13	Tick this box if the company is registered under section 431 – Part XII of the CA 2014.
B14	Tick this box if the company is a branch of an overseas company in Gibraltar registered under section 445 – part XIV of the CA 2014.
B15	Tick this box if the company is not registered in Gibraltar.
B16	Enter the date on which the company commenced trading, not necessarily the date of incorporation, if between A1 and A2
B17	Enter the date on which the company ceased trading, not necessarily the date of strike-off or liquidation, if between A1 and A2
B18	Tick this box if a Liquidator has been appointed. Otherwise, please leave blank, even if it is the company's intention to wind up in future.
B19	Tick this box if the company has been issued with a first notice of striking off by the Registrar or the company has applied to the Registrar for it to be struck off. Otherwise, please leave blank, even if it is the company's intention to apply for striking of in future.

Section C - Turnover and Assessable Income Declaration

All companies are to declare their **total income**, including any which is **not subject to tax** in Gibraltar under the ITA 2010.

C3 and C4

If the company has assessable income in Gibraltar during the period equal to or more than £1.5m, tick box C3, otherwise, tick box C4.

Enter the figure which represents the company's taxable profit or loss in the period after total net adjustments but before agreed losses brought

Section D - Company Size

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All companies not in receipt of assessable income in Gibraltar during the period which is the subject of the return must tick the box which confirms the size of the company, as stipulated in the table provided on the form, in accordance with the CA 2014

Section E – Supplemental Information

This section provides statistical data and must be completed (in Sterling where relevant) by all companies making a return.

E1

If the company has any employees, or directors (other than another company) in receipt of remuneration from the company, enter the total number of individuals employed by the company (including individual directors as described above) as at the end of the accounting period in respect of which the return is made. Otherwise, enter zero.

E2

If the company has a depreciation charge in the Profit and Loss Account for the accounting period in respect of which the return is made, enter the total depreciation. Otherwise, enter zero. No adjustment in respect of non-taxable income or other is required for the purposes of completing this box.

E3

If the company has declared a dividend in the period in respect of which the return is made, whether said dividend has been paid or not, enter the total dividend declared. Otherwise, enter zero.

<u>Note</u>: Every company that declares a dividend shall prepare and deliver a return via **Form CT2** the Commissioner by not later than nine months from the end of the accounting period in which the dividend was declared.

E4

If any of the company's directors (other than another company) is in receipt of remuneration from the company, enter the sum of any payments made to all of the directors of the company in the period which is the subject of the return. Otherwise, enter zero.

E5

If the company has paid or received any interest arising from an intercompany loan in the period which is the subject of the return, enter the total interest paid and/or received. Otherwise, enter zero. You should note the provisions of Schedule 1 Class 1A of the ITA 2010 in this connection.

E6

If the company has paid to or received from another company any royalties in the period which is the subject of the return, enter the sum of royalties paid and/or received. Otherwise, enter zero. Please note that royalty income is subject to taxation in Gibraltar from 1 January 2014.

Section F - Supplemental Information

This section must be completed.

The return must be filed by a statutory officer or shareholder of the company, or a person authorised to do so. The Income Tax Office requires written confirmation from the company that the agent is duly authorised to act on its behalf.

F1

Enter the name of the individual or company who is submitting the return on the company's behalf. This can be either a shareholder or statutory officer of the company (director or secretary) or an agent authorised by the company to submit the return. Said authority can be granted either to a named individual or to a company.

Where the person submitting the return is neither a shareholder nor a statutory officer of the company, the Income Tax Office requires documentary evidence that they are authorised to file the company's return.

You can complete Form CT3A – Authorising your Agent and view Guidance Note CT101: How to Register as an Agent which are available on our webpage via the QR Code provided or from our offices at the address given at the end of this Guidance Note.



Alternatively, you can submit a letter addressed to the Commissioner of Income Tax confirming said authority, bearing an original signature of a shareholder or statutory officer of the company.

If this authority has not previously been submitted to the Income Tax Office, you are required to do so. Failure to do so will invalidate the submission.

F2 to F9

Tick the appropriate box(es) matching the authorised capacity of the person named in **F1**. If you tick box **F9** and you have not already done so, you are required to attach to the return a copy of the authority. **Failure to do so will invalidate the submission.**

F10 Enter a contact telephone number of the person named in **F1**.

F11 Enter the email address of the person named in **F1**.

Section G - Declaration

This section must be completed.

G1 You should note the contents of this warning.

A company which submits an incorrect return will incur penalties under section 66 of the ITA 2010, as follows:

Penalties for False Returns, etc.

- 66. (1) Where a person fraudulently, recklessly or negligently
 - (a) Delivers any incorrect return of a kind mentioned in section 28 or 29;
 - (b) Submits to the Commissioner any incorrect accounts information, statement or declaration in connection with the ascertainment of the taxation to which he is liable in response to an information notice under section 6 or section 32;

He shall where (i) exceeds (ii) be liable to a penalty up to 150 per cent of the difference between-

- (i) The amount of the taxation due in the relevant year of taxation if the return, information, statement, declaration or accounts as made or submitted in it had been correct, and
- (ii) The amount of the taxation due for the relevant year of taxation based on the return, information, statement, declaration or accounts as originally made or submitted.

Section 65 of the Income Tax Act 2010 reads, inter alia, as follows: *Penalties for failure to comply with requirements on return.*

- 65. (1) This section applies where any person-
 - (a) has failed to make a full and complete return for the purposes of section 28 or 29; and
 - (b) has failed to deliver such return.
 - (2) The person shall be liable to a penalty of £50.
 - (3) If the failure by the person to comply with the requirements of section 28 or 29 continues after the period of—

- (a) three months beginning with the filing date on which the return should have been delivered, the person shall be liable to a further penalty of £300;
- (b) six months beginning with the filing date on which the return should have been delivered, the person shall be liable to an additional penalty of £500.

G2 and G3

A statutory officer or an authorised agent of the company must acknowledge and accept the declaration at **G2** by signing in box **G3**. Failure to do so will render the return incomplete and the company liable to penalties under section 65 of the Income Tax Act 2010 (see **G1** above).

For information on who is authorised to sign this return, please see F1 above and Guidance Note CT101: How to Register as an Agent

G4

Enter the date on which this section is completed.

Section H – Documents submitted with this form

This section must be completed.

You are required to confirm which documents are being submitted with Form CT1. Please note that a Company Tax Return is not just Form CT1. It includes the compulsory elements stated in pages 1 and 2 of this Guidance Note.

An incomplete return will incur penalties under section 65 of the ITA 2010.

Refer to the table on page 2 of these notes to identify the minimum accounts filing requirements for each company making a return.

H1 to H12

Tick as many items as may be relevant to your submission. You should note that not submitting a compulsory element of the return will render it incomplete and the company liable to penalties under section 65 of the ITA 2010.

H10 and H11

If the company has assessable income in Gibraltar, you must have completed Section C of this form. The company's tax liability for the period may have been settled in whole or in part via payments on account. Any outstanding balance of liability is due on submission of the return.

If payment has been made via bank transfer, please tick box **H10** and attach a copy of the relevant bank transfer. If payment is being submitted in the form of a cheque with the return, please tick box **H11**.

Failure to settle the liability in full by the due date, in accordance with section 39 of the ITA 2010, will incur surcharges in accordance with section 64 of the ITA 2010.

For information on payment methods please refer to our webpage:

https://www.gibraltar.gov.gi/new/report-changes



Should you require any further assistance to complete Form CT1 or have any other queries in relation to a corporate taxpayer, please refer to our webpage:

www.gibraltar.gov.gi/new/corporate



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