

Filing and Payment Dates

Businesses are required to submit quarterly remittances by the dates specified below. The amount to be paid is 1/4 (0.25) of the previous year's tax liability.

- March 31st due April 15th
- June 30th due July 15th
- September 30th due October 15th
- December 31st due January 15th

*** For filings done in 2016 and 2017, the amount to be paid should be 1/4 of the tax liability for 2015.**

The annual return is due March 31st each year for the preceding income year.

Income to Non-Residents/ Property Rental Income

- Income earned by a non-resident i.e. not physically present in Antigua and Barbuda for at least 6 months during a calendar year, is taxed at a rate of 25% on every dollar earned (Withholding tax).
- The payer is required to deduct the tax and no later than fifteen (15) days after making the payment, remit the amount to the Inland Revenue Department.
- A non-resident who owns property in Antigua and Barbuda and uses that property for income purposes is required to retain a property management agent. That individual is responsible for remitting all relevant taxes to the Department.



Penalties and Interest

Provisions under the Act	Penalty/ Interest
Failure to submit a tax form by the due date	\$500
Failure to remit all or part of the tax owed by the due date	Penalty of 10% of the tax owed AND interest 2% per month on the amount of the tax that remains unpaid
Refusal to file return by a specified date as requested by the Commissioner	Penalty of \$100 for EACH day or portion thereof that the return is not filed
Submission of a withholding tax return with an understated amount	Penalty of 15% of the amount by which the tax was understated AND interest of 2% per month or part thereof on the amount by which the tax is understated
Failure to create, retain or provide records as required by the Act	\$1000
Failure to withhold and remit the tax as stipulated	Payment of the whole amount of the tax that should have been withheld and remitted to include penalties and interest
An individual who willfully, in any manner, evades, or defeats, or attempts to evade or defeat tax, or the payment or collection of the tax	200% of the tax evaded

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT



Unincorporated Business Tax (UBT)



This brochure has been prepared by the Antigua and Barbuda Inland Revenue Department. If after reading you require additional information, please see contact information below.

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What is the UBT?

- The UBT is a tax levied on the chargeable income (net income) of an unincorporated business.
- A business under this Act includes any business, profession, trade, venture or undertaking for the provision of personal services or technical and managerial skills, and also includes any adventure or concern in the nature of trade and property rental.

Income Subject to UBT

Income subject to this tax includes:

- Self-employment income (sole proprietorships)
- Other income to include partnership income
- Income from a deemed unincorporated business

Income Exempt From UBT

- Income arising from the business of shipping or air transport carried on by a person not resident in Antigua and Barbuda if the Commissioner is satisfied that an equivalent exemption from the income tax is granted by the country in which such individual is resident to individuals resident in Antigua and Barbuda; and for purposes of this paragraph "business of shipping or air transport" means business carried on by an owner or charterer of a ship or aircraft;
- Interest on savings, capital gains and dividend paid to an individual;

- Foreign sourced income not incidental to employment, trade, business or other activity carried on in Antigua and Barbuda which is liable to tax in the jurisdiction in which the income is sourced;
- Employment income**

Registration/Fees

Businesses are required to pay a registration fee based on the gross income of the preceding income year. This fee is payable annually on or before January 31st or within one (1) month of starting a new unincorporated business.

The amount paid shall be applied towards the ultimate tax liability of the business and is the minimum tax liability of the business for that income year.

Category	Gross Income	Annual Registration Fee
1	\$30,000 to \$60,000	\$200
2	\$60,001 to \$300,000	\$300
3	\$300,001 and over	\$400

*Registration fees are payable from January 2017.

Tax Rates

Unincorporated Business Type	Tax Bands (Chargeable Income)	Rates
Sole Trader	\$0.00 to \$42,000	0%
	\$42,001 to \$186,000	8%
	\$186,001 and over	25%

Tax Rates

Unincorporated Business Type	Tax Bands (Chargeable Income)	Rates
Partnership-Two Partners	\$0.00 to \$84,000	0%
	\$84,001 to \$228,000	8%
	\$228,001 and over	25%
Partnership-Three Partners	\$0.00 to \$126,000	0%
	\$126,001 to \$270,000	8%
	\$270,001 and over	25%
Partnership-Four Partners	\$0.00 to \$168,000	0%
	\$168,001 to \$312,000	8%
	\$312,001 and over	25%
Partnership-Five Partners and Over	\$0.00 to \$210,000	0%
	\$210,001 to \$354,000	8%
	\$354,001 and over	25%

* These rates will apply for 2017 and subsequent years. For 2016, the rates used should be half of the amounts given above.

Example of an annual UBT Calculation

Gross Income -Sale of Goods/Services	\$300,000
Less: Expenses	<u>\$100,000</u>
Net Income	\$200,000

Chargeable Income \$200,000

\$42,000 x 0%	\$0.00
\$144,000 x 8%	\$11,520
\$14,000 x 25%	\$3,500

Total Tax Liability \$15,020

* Registration fee and quarterly installments paid would be deducted from the total tax liability and the balance must be paid.