

## Financial Guideline 2020/2021 - 21

### Community & Comprehensive and Voluntary Secondary Schools

## VAT Compensation Scheme for Charities

*This guideline supersedes guideline 43-2019/2020-VAT Compensation Scheme for Charities.*

The Government Budget 2018 introduced the Charities VAT Compensation Scheme. Under the scheme, schools as charities may be able to reclaim some element of their VAT costs arising in 2020 **based on the level of non-public funding they receive**. Schools must exclude income and expenditure from canteens and tuck shops. The scheme operates on a cash basis.

- Income received means actual monies received in the calendar year to which the claim relates.
- Expenditure paid means actual monies paid out in the calendar year to which the claim relates.

Claims under the scheme for the year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020 will be made in 2021 and will be paid one year in arrears.

For example, where a school's total income for 2020 comprises 70% funding from the State and 30% is privately sourced income including fundraising, voluntary subscriptions and donations, the school may claim 30% of the VAT they have been charged for the year. The VAT claimed must be on expenditure that is for the benefit of the school directly. The claim must be submitted before the **30<sup>th</sup> June 2021**.

A capped fund of €5 million will be available for the entire scheme in 2021. The scheme, including the amount provided in the fund, will be subject to review after three years.

Where the total amount of claims in a given year exceeds the €5 million capped amount, charities will be paid on a pro rata basis, e.g. where the total value of claims by all charities in 2020 amounts to €10 million, each charity will receive 50% of their claim.

#### **Qualifying schools must be:**

- 1. registered with the Charities Regulator Authority (CRA) and**
- 2. be registered with Revenue and hold a charitable tax exemption (CHY) and**
- 3. have tax clearance status and**
- 4. able to provide a set of audited accounts for the year in which the claim is being submitted**

For administrative purposes, claims valued below **€500** will not qualify.

Details on how to submit a claim to Revenue is available on the link below:

<https://www.revenue.ie/en/companies-and-charities/charities-and-sports-bodies/vat-compensation-scheme/vat-compensation-scheme-for-charities/index.aspx>

*Further information or clarification on any of the issues raised in this guideline can be obtained from the FSSU.*

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## Treoirlíne Airgeadais 2020/2021 - 21

### Pobalscoileanna, Scoileanna Cuimsitheacha agus Meánscoileanna Deonacha

## An Scéim um Chúiteamh CBL le haghaidh Carthanas

Tá an treoirlíne seo ag teacht in ionad threoirlíne 43-2019/2020 – An Scéim um Chúiteamh CBL le haghaidh Carthanas.

Tugadh an Scéim um Chúiteamh CBL le haghaidh Carthanas isteach i gCáinainéis 2018. Faoin scéim sin, d'fhéadfadh sé go mbeadh scoileanna in ann, mar charthanais, cuid dá gcostais CBL in 2020 a éileamh ar ais **bunaithe ar leibhéal an mhaoinithe neamhphoiblí a fuair siad**. Ní mór do scoileanna ioncam agus caiteachas ó cheaintíní agus ó shiopaí sólaisí a chur as an áireamh. Is ar bhonn airgead tirim a fheidhmíonn an scéim.

- Is éard is brí le hioncam a fuarthas ná airgead iarbhír a fuarthas sa bhliain féilire a mbaineann an t-éileamh léi.
- Is éard is brí le caiteachas a íocadh ná airgead iarbhír a íocadh amach sa bhliain féilire a mbaineann an t-éileamh léi.

Aon éilimh faoin scéim don bhliain dar tús an 1 Eanáir 2020, déanfar iad in 2021 agus íocfar iad i riaráiste aon bhliana amháin.

Mar shampla, sa chás gur tháinig 70% d'ioncam iomlán scoile don bhliain 2020 ó mhaoiniú ón Stát agus go raibh 30% de ina ioncam arna fháil go príobháideach, lena n-áirítear tiomsú airgid, tabhartais agus síntiúis dheonacha, d'fhéadfadh an scoil 30% den CBL a gearradh orthu sa bhliain a éileamh ar ais. Ní ceadmhach an CBL a éileamh ach amháin ar chaiteachas a bhí chun tairbhe na scoile go díreach. Is gá don éileamh a bheith curtha isteach tráth nach déanaí ná **an 30 Meitheamh 2021**.

Beidh ciste nach mó ná €5 milliún ar fáil le haghaidh na scéime ina hiomláine in 2021. Beidh an scéim, lena n-áirítear an méid a chuirtear ar fáil sa chiste, faoi réir athbhreithniú tar éis trí bliana.

Sa chás go bhfuil méid iomlán na n-éileamh i mbliain ar leith níos mó ná an uasteorainn €5 milliún, íocfar carthanais ar bhonn *pro rata*, m.sh. sa chás gurb ionann méid iomlán na n-éileamh ó na carthanais uile in 2020 agus €10 milliún, gheobhaidh gach carthanas 50% dá n-éileamh.

**Ní mór do scoileanna incháilithe:**

- 1. a bheith cláraithe leis an Údarás Rialála Carthanas**
- 2. a bheith cláraithe leis na Coimisinéirí Ioncaim agus díolúine chánach do charthanais (CHY) a bheith acu**
- 3. imréiteach cánach a bheith acu, agus**
- 4. a bheith in ann cuntais iniúchtá a sholáthar i leith na bliana a bhfuil an t-éileamh á chur isteach ina leith.**

Chun críocha riaracháin, diúltófar d'éilimh a bhfuil luach níos lú ná **€500** i gceist leo.

Tá sonraí le fáil ag an nasc thíos faoi cén chaoi éileamh a chur isteach chuig na Coimisinéirí Ioncaim:

<https://www.revenue.ie/ga/companies-and-charities/charities-and-sports-bodies/vat-compensation-scheme/vat-compensation-scheme-for-charities/index.aspx>

*Is féidir tuilleadh eolais nó soiléiriú a fháil ar aon cheann de na saincheisteanna sa Treoirlíne seo ach dul i dteagmháil le FSSU.*

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