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# Self-Employed Individuals - PENSIONER -

## Taxes & Contributions



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|                   | RATES                                | BASIC OF CALCULATION  |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>*NIS</b>       | <b>5%</b>                            | <b>Net Profit</b>     |
| <b>NHT</b>        | <b>3 %</b>                           | <b>Net Profit</b>     |
| <b>ED TAX</b>     | <b>2.25%</b>                         | <b>** Statutory</b>   |
| <b>INCOME TAX</b> | <b>25%<br/>&amp;<br/>***<br/>30%</b> | <b>Taxable Income</b> |

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\*NIS Ceiling for Self-Employed: 5% of \$1,500,000 = \$75,000 per annum

\*\*Statutory Income = Total Income Less Allowable Deductions.

Allowable Deductions are NIS Contribution, Approved Retirement Scheme Contributions, Capital Allowances, Losses and Approved Donations.

\*\*\* 30% is applied to Income earned (for the period July to December 2016 and for the Year of Assessment 2017 onwards) in excess of \$6,000,000.

## HOW TO CALCULATE A SELF-EMPLOYED PERSON'S INCOME TAX LIABILITY for 2016

A 65 year old pensioner started his business in 2016 and earned \$1.5 million in gross receipts from operations and \$96,000 as NIS Pension Income. For 2016 he will receive the Pension's Relief of \$80,000 and Age Relief of \$80,000 totaling \$160,000. He purchased a computer at the start of business for \$60,000. Below is an illustration of the calculation of the statutory and taxable income to arrive at tax payable. In addition he receives \$150,000 as net rental income.

|                                                | \$             | \$                   |
|------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Gross Receipts                                 |                | 1,500,000            |
| <b>Less:</b> Cost of Sales/Operations          |                | (400,000)            |
| <b>GROSS PROFIT</b> (1,500,000 - 400,000)      |                | 1,100,000            |
| <b>*Less:</b> Business/Administrative Expenses |                | (300,000)            |
| <b>NET PROFIT</b> (1,100,000 - 300,000)        |                | <b>800,000</b>       |
| <b>Add:</b> NIS Pension Income                 | 96,000         |                      |
| Net Rental Income                              | <u>150,000</u> |                      |
|                                                |                | <b>246,000</b>       |
| <b>TOTAL INCOME</b> (800,000 + 246,000)        |                | 1,046,000            |
| <b>LESS: Allowable Deductions</b>              |                |                      |
| Capital Allowance (computer) \$27,000          | 27,000         |                      |
| Exemptions (Pension and Age Reliefs)           | <u>160,000</u> |                      |
|                                                |                | (187,000)            |
| <b>STATUTORY INCOME</b> (1,046,000 - 187,000)  |                | <b>859,000</b>       |
| <b>Less:</b> Income Tax Threshold              |                | <b>(796,536)</b>     |
| <b>TAXABLE INCOME</b> (859,000 - 796,536)      |                | <b>62,464</b>        |
| <b>TAX PAYABLE</b> (62,464 x 25%)              |                | <b><u>15,616</u></b> |

**Cost of Operations = Opening Stock + Purchases - Closing Stock.**  
**\$400,000.00 = \$750,000 + \$250,000 - (\$600,000)**

\*Administrative Expenses consists of all operational costs of \$300,000 such as rent - \$200,000, wages - \$100,000 (complete on form **IT01 - Schedule 1**)

**Capital Allowance** on computer (complete on form **Schedule 2 - Capital Allowance Schedule**)

- **Initial Allowance** - \$60,000 x 25% = \$15,000

- **Annual Allowance** - \$60,000 x 20% = \$12,000  
\$27,000

**Threshold** means the **tax-free** portion of **your taxable** Income and this amount is only used to calculate Income Tax.