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# Public Advisory: Further Extension of Tax Return Filing Deadlines

#### **Finance**

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To provide continued support to businesses dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic, a further two-month extension of tax return filing deadlines is being provided to August 20, 2020.

#### **Tax Return Filing Deadlines**

All tax returns, with the exception of tax returns required from interjurisdictional carriers, falling under the purview of the Revenue Administration Act and Regulations, which would otherwise be due March 20, 2020 to July 31, 2020, are now due August 20, 2020. The tax returns applicable to this extension include:

- Gasoline Tax
- Carbon Tax
- · Health and Post-Secondary Education Tax
- Insurance Companies Tax
- Mining and Mineral Rights Tax
- Tax on Insurance Premiums
- Tobacco Tax

For monthly filers, this means you will have the option to extend the filing and remittance of tax amounts for the February to June 2020 reporting periods to August 20, 2020.

To continue to file during the extension period, you should submit tax returns via email to taxreturn@gov.nl.ca or fax to 709-729-2856. Please

email taxadmin@gov.nl.ca or call 709-729-6297 (toll free 1-877-729-6376) to set up electronic funds transfer, wire payment, or e-file payment options.

If online options are not possible, please submit your returns via mail or by utilizing the drop-off box. The drop-off box is located in the East Block, Confederation Building in St. John's, and can be accessed via the Employee Entrance at the back of the building nearest to the daycare.

Anyone who avails of the extension and files each of the required returns on or before August 20, 2020, is advised that they must file each of the monthly returns as a separate filing at that time.

#### Remission of Interest and Penalties

If a taxpayer is prevented from making a payment when due, filing a return on time, or otherwise complying with a tax obligation, they can submit a written request to the Department of Finance, Tax Administration Division, to seek a remission of interest and penalties. Requests should validate how the taxpayer was prevented from complying with these requirements as a result of COVID-19 circumstances. These requests should be submitted by e-mailing to taxadmin@gov.nl.ca. Please include "Remission Request (COVID-19)" as the subject line of the e-mail to help facilitate timely processing. All requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis

For further information or assistance, please call 709-729-6297, toll free 1-877-729-6376, or email taxadmin@gov.nl.ca.

For the most up-to-date information related to COVID-19, please visit www.gov.nl.ca/covid-19.

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