User Guide For Agents Filing Tax Returns Online

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General

The Taxes Office Online Services (TOOS for short) provides the ability for approved agents and company officers to submit company (zero ten) Company returns and will only be accepted electronically from January 2015 onwards unless an exemption has been approved by the Comptroller of Taxes in writing beforehand and

For 2014 **Personal Returns** can only be achieved using the online XML upload method. At present, only a registered agent may complete online returns for individual tax payers. If you do not have this capability we are accepting paper returns which you should have received in January.

What tax return types can I submit online?

You can submit tax returns online for companies and Jersey resident individuals. You cannot yet complete a return online for partnerships, pension schemes, charities, non residents, estates or trusts.

The Year of Assessment being filed is on a previous year basis. If you need to make a return for earlier years or for the current year, please contact the Taxes Office for the appropriate form.

The return can either be entered on screen or a separate return file can be uploaded to our website.

Visit the website

To visit the Taxes Office Online Services website, type https://empret.jsytax.je/TOOS in your browser address bar or alternatively Go to www.gov.je and follow the links through to Taxes and your Money and the Income Tax section.

Register

You need to register to use the Taxes Office Online Services website.

Please note:-

As the company return will only be accepted electronically, you will be sent out a pre-enrolled letter with the pin and instructions. Or

Once you have registered you will be sent 'activation PIN' in the post – you cannot log in to your account until you have received this.

You can currently register into 2 of 3 possible roles as follows:

Agent Role

If you are registering to complete tax returns on behalf of one or many clients in the capacity of an agent or tax advisor, please use the Agent Registration. Once your registration has been approved, each client that has confirmed your authority to the Taxes Office will appear in your client list. You will also have the ability to create further users but you have full responsibility to maintain the access of those users thereafter, bearing in mind this is an internet-based system and users can access the system from any internet enabled location or device.

Company Role

If you are registering to complete the tax return of a company in the capacity of an authorised officer of that company, please use the Company Registration. Once your registration has been approved you will have the ability to register further companies that you may also be authorised to file tax returns for. Other authorised officers will also need to register. Should you no longer be entitled to return on behalf of the company you must immediately remove the company from your online profile. Alternatively, you can apply to the Taxes Office if you have reason to remove an existing registered user.

Personal Role

Personal Registrations: This service is not yet available. At present, only a registered agent may complete online returns for individual tax payers.

To register:

- 1. Go to the TOOS home/login page https://empret.jsytax.je/TOOS
- 2. Click on the 'Begin registration' button
- 3. Click on radio button for the appropriate role as defined above.
- 4. Click on the 'Next' button
- 5. You need to read the 'Terms and Conditions'. If you are happy to continue, confirm that you have read the conditions.
- 6. Click on the 'Next' button.
- 7. Complete the information requested. The email address will be used to email the User Id to vou.

Notes on Passwords:

- When choosing your password make sure it contains between 8 and 12 elements. The password must contain characters from three of the following elements uppercase letters (A-Z), lower case letters (a-z), a number (0-9), a symbol from ! # % & () * + , /~:; < = > ? @ [\]^_`{|}.
- Make sure you can remember this password, particularly if you are making returns infrequently (e.g. annually), as you will need it every time you log in to the secure website. Keep it safe.
- Logging in with an activated user Id and password authenticates you and the
 information you send to us through this system. If you believe your user ID
 and password has been compromised please advise us immediately by
 emailing jerseytax@gov.je
- Each time you log in you will see a message displaying the last time you logged in and a link to your account settings where there is a list of all account activity.
- 8. Below the password there is an image containing some random letters. Please retype these characters into the box below.
- 9. Click on the 'Next' button.
- 10. You are now presented with your User ID and advised that your Activation PIN will be posted to you if your registration is successful. You can print these details.

Activate your account

When you have received your activation PIN you can log in to use the Taxes Office Online Services. Please note that you only need to enter this activation PIN at first log in.

To activate your account:

- 1. Go to the TOOS home/login page https://empret.jsytax.je/TOOS
- 2. Enter your User ID (advised on last page of registration and emailed to you) and password (set during the registration request process) then click 'Log in'.
- 3. You are now presented with the activation page. Enter the activation pin you were sent in the post & click 'Activate'.

4. You are now logged in to the website securely.

Auto-registration process

General

This document will provide a basic steps to complete the registration process for an auto registered company.

Steps to Register

1) You need to complete the registration process by logging on to our website at https://empret.jsytax.je/TOOS with the user id and password sent to you through post.

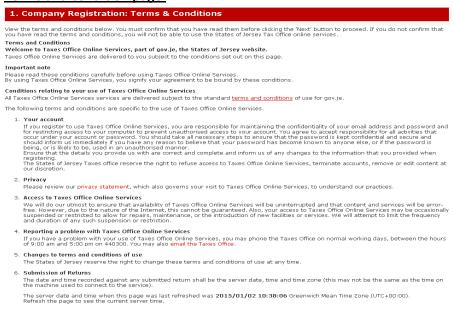


The first time you log on you will be required to complete details about your self and you will have to change the password to something secure.

Notes on Passwords:

- When choosing your password make sure it contains between 8 and 12 elements. The password must contain characters from three of the following elements uppercase letters (A-Z), lower case letters (a-z), a number (0-9), a symbol from! # % & () * + , /~:; < = > ? @ [\]^_`{|}.
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 Keep it safe.
- Logging in with an activated user Id and password authenticates you and the information
 you send to us through this system. If you believe your user ID and password has been
 compromised please advise us immediately by emailing jerseytax@gov.je
- Each time you log in you will see a message displaying the last time you logged in and a link to your account settings where there is a list of all account activity.
- 2) Once successfully logged in, the user will be first taken to the 'Terms and conditions' page, followed by the current 'User Details 'page, once you complete all the mandatory fields you will be taken your service.

Terms and condition page:

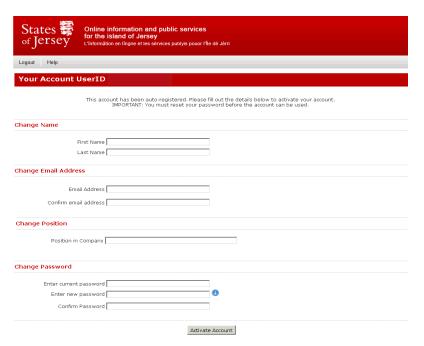


Confirm that you have read the terms and conditions

Once you have read through and confirmed the 'Terms and conditions' by ticking the check box you will be taken to the user details page.

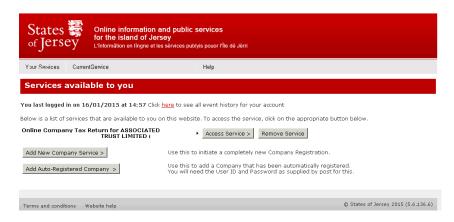
User Details page:

You must fill in all the details to proceed to your service for completing the return and please note: - You have to click 'Activate Account' to activate your account.



After completing all the user details click the activate account button, which activates your account and the user is taken to your service page as below.

Your Service page:



If one user wishes to have a number of companies associated with their user account they can do it via the 'Add new company service' button on the service page, or if the company has been auto registered you can click the 'Add Auto –Registered company button' you will need the user ID and password supplied by post for this.

Add Existing Registration	
This page is intended to allow the addition of an auto-	registered service to your account.
To proceed you will need to fill out each field below. The information required will have been sent to you a	s a letter in the post.
Supplied Tax Reference:	
Supplied User ID: Supplied Password:]
Add Registration	
< Your Services	

Once a company is added it will appear on your service, to go back to your service click your service button.

Log in

To log in to the Taxes Office Online Services website:

- 1. Go to the TOOS home/login page https://empret.jsytax.je/TOOS
- 2. Enter your User ID (advised on last page of registration and emailed to you) and password (set during the registration request process) or Enter the user ID and password (as advised in the pre-enrolment letter sent through post), then click 'Log in'.
- 3. You are now logged in to the website securely

Log out

To log out of the Taxes Office Online Services website:

1. Click on your logged in User Name in the menu bar (see example screenshot below). Then click on Logout.



Below is a list of services that are available to you on this website. To access the service, click on the

3. Click 'Logout'

Please note that closing your browser also logs you out, although we recommend logging out via the 'Logout' button. Please take particular care to log out if you are using a shared PC/Internet connection.

Accessing, removing and adding Services

Most users will only have one service and the system will take you directly to that service after logging in. Where you have registered successfully for more than one service, for example if you are filing returns for more than one company (see Company Role in the Register section above) you can see what services are available to you:

- 1. Follow instructions to 'Log in'
- 2. If you have multiple services, the first screen after logging in will be the 'Your Services' selection screen. If you need to get to here from another page, click on 'Your Services' in the menu bar.
- 3. From the Services screen you will see buttons next to each available service allowing you to access the service or remove the service.
- 4. If the service is not active you will only have the option to return to the home page. This will apply to services were the activation pin has not yet been sent or where the application for the service has been rejected.
- 5. At the bottom of the page there is a button to add further services. This will take you through the same company registration process. An activation pin will be sent for each service on approval of the application.

Manage my users

Registered Agents and Tax Advisors have the ability to create other 'users' to log in with their own user names and passwords. Users can be added, edited and deleted via the 'Manage users' page. Only an Administrator level user can see the Manage User options.

- By default, the first registered user is the Administration user but this can be changed. There must always be at least one administration level user.
- An administration level user can create, delete and change details of themselves and other users.
- A standard user can only see and change their own user details.
- Apart from managing users, Standard users can access all other online return services.
- An Upload user account is for use with third party software packages to connect and upload returns automatically. These 'users' can only log in to maintain the account details (such as changing the password).
- 1. Follow instructions to 'Log in' ensuring you are an Administrator.
- 2. Click on 'Your Services' in the menu bar.
- 3. Click on 'Manage Users' in the menu drop down.

Change User Account Details

To change the name, email address or password of your user account and to view a list of all recent activity:

- 1. Follow instructions to 'Log in'
- 2. Click on your user account name in the menu bar and then click on 'Your Account'
- 3. Or, if on the opening page after logging in, wherever you see the statement 'You last logged in on ...' you can click on the underlined 'here' link.

Always keep your account details up to date and private. We consider an online submitted return to be electronically signed in compliance with the Electronic Communications (Jersey) Law 2000 and that you are signing either as the tax payer, an authorised signatory of the tax payer or as an agent with the full knowledge and consent of the tax payer.

Navigate Agent's list of Taxpayer clients

To view and navigate the list of taxpayers associated with you as an Agent:

- 4. Follow instructions to 'Log in'
- 5. You should be taken straight to the client list. If you are on another screen, click 'Your Services' on the menu bar and select 'View Client List' from the drop down.
- 6. You will now be on the 'Agent Return: Taxpayer Selection' list. The default setting for this page is to list all clients in pages of 10 at a time. This can be changed in the Show ... Entries dropdown on the heading of the client grid.
- 7. You can change the selection criteria options and select 'Refresh' to make the list more specific.
- 8. Use the Search box to type any characters that you wish to filter the displayed client list to. The rows shown will automatically filter to those where the entered search text appears in any part of any of the columns, so the text entered could be part of the tax reference, the client name, your agent's reference, the date the return was completed or a lodgement reference.
- 9. The header of the client grid allows the list to be sorted in any order. Click in a column heading to sort by that column in ascending order. Client again to reverse the order. The arrow denotes which column is currently being sorted and how (up or down).



10. The footer of the client grid shows the total number of clients, the number currently filtered and which page you are on with navigation buttons to move between pages.

Client Grid:

- Action Button:
 - View enabled for submitted returns (completed or received).
 - Submit enabled for Not Started or In Progress returns.
 - Button will be disabled (greyed out) when the client has a return type that cannot be accepted at the time.
- Tax Ref: The unique identifier assigned to the tax payer by the Taxes Office.
- Agent's Code: A reference that you may have assigned to the client. Note: This is
 maintained by us at our discretion based on information supplied to us by you and we are
 under no obligation to do so.
- Name: The tax payer name as they are known to the Taxes Office.
- Type: Is the Return Type. Online returns are currently restricted to Company (zero ten) and Personal only.
- Status: Of the return
 - o 'Not started' returns have not been started.
 - 'In progress' returns have been opened but are either only partially completed or not yet submitted.
 - 'Completed' returns have been submitted to us but not yet processed by our systems. Completed returns cannot be changed.
 - o 'Received' returns have been submitted and received.

- Date Complete: Shows the date and time the return was submitted.
- Lodge. Ref: This is a Lodgement Reference and should be used in any correspondence with the Taxes Office regarding this online submission. If there is no lodgement reference we will have no record of the return.

Change a taxpayers details

To change a taxpayer's details please contact the Taxes Office.

Create a tax return

To create and submit a tax return online you need to:

- Build answer a series of 'yes' or 'no' questions to tailor the return
- Complete complete all the return pages with your company or clients' information
- Submit review the return to make sure it is correct, read and complete the declaration and then submit the return to our online servers

See the sections below for more information

Build a return

'Build your return' is a page which contains a series of 'yes' or 'no' questions that enables us to tailor the online return to the taxpayer. For example, if the taxpayer has only has employment income and pays into a work pension scheme you will only be asked to complete these sections.

There are some mandatory sections that you will be taken through in all cases. Note – you can add or remove sections at any time before you submit the return.

To build a return:

- 1. Login in and access the required service.
- 2. From your company services list or your Agents Client list, navigate to find the required taxpayer on the list then select the 'Submit' action button.
- 3. You are now on the 'Build your return' page. You need to answer 'yes' or 'no' as applicable to each question for the taxpayer, then click on 'Save and Continue'.
- 4. You will now be presented with the first page of the tax return in accordance with your answers to the build questions, along with any mandatory sections.

Most sections of the return have icons that contain help information. Alternatively a link to a copy of the full Guidance notes for completing your income tax return can be found on the 'Build your return' page as well as the printable version from our main information website www.gov.je/taxesmoney

Complete a tax return

When you have built your tax return (see 'Build a return') you will have all the return sections available for completion as web pages. Links to each page/section are shown in the left hand menu. For Personal Returns, pages with a red circle next to them are 'not started'. Pages with an orange circle next to them are 'incomplete'. Pages with a green tick next to them are 'complete'.

You can return to 'Build your return' (via the menu on the left) at any point to add or remove a return section. If you still cannot find an appropriate area to enter your return information, use the 'Other information' section as appropriate.

Each return page has an icon – click this to open a pop up containing help text. Alternatively, contact you assessment officer at the Taxes Office for more help.

To complete a tax return:

- 1. Follow the instructions under 'Build a return' above to reach the first page of the tax return
- 2. Enter your return information.
- 3. For Personal Returns, select a radio button for this page. If you are still working on this page select 'In progress'. If you have completed this page and are happy that it is correct select 'Complete'. If you no longer require this page select 'no longer required' please note that by selecting this option all information on the page & the page itself will be deleted.
- 4. Click on 'Save' to save the information and remain on this page. Click on 'Save and continue' to save this information and go to the next page.
- 5. Repeat as necessary until all pages are saved as 'Complete' (For Personal Returns, all sections in the left margin should have a green tick).

Submit a tax return

When you have successfully completed and saved all return pages as complete (see 'Complete a tax return') you can submit the return. It is very important that the tax return is correct therefore we recommend that you review the return and read the declaration carefully.

Please note, we consider an online submitted return to be electronically signed in compliance with the Electronic Communications (Jersey) Law 2000 and that you are signing either as the tax payer, an authorised signatory of the tax payer or as an agent with the full knowledge and consent of the tax payer. You may wish to print the completed return for a physical signature before or after submission to satisfy your own record management processes.

- 1. Follow the 'Complete a tax return' instructions above to complete the tax return
- 2. Click the 'view Return Details' button to see a printable report of the completed return.
- 3. A printable 'report' containing the tax return details will now open. Check this report to make sure the information is correct. If you need to change anything you can still go back and amend your tax return. We recommend that you save &/or print a copy of this return for your own records (select the Export option then save as a pdf and print. You may need to allow pop-ups to be displayed via your browser settings for this page).
- 4. When you have checked the report and you are happy that the return is ready for submission click on 'Back to Return Submit Page'
- 5. Make sure you have read, understood and can comply with the declaration. Tick the box to confirm this.
- 6. Click on 'Submit Return'
- 7. You will now be given a lodgement reference number. This Lodgement Reference / confirmation of the submission are also emailed to the email address of the user account you are logged in with.
- 8. The 'Agent Return: Taxpayer Selection' page will now show this lodgement reference, and the 'Return status' for this taxpayer will be 'Completed'. You can not longer update this return.
- 9. Once submitted there will be period of time, usually one business day, before our systems acknowledge receipt of the return. When this happens, the status will change to 'Received'.

Change a tax return

If the tax return status is 'Completed' or 'Received' changes can only be made in writing to the Taxes Office.

View a tax return

To view a copy of a submitted tax return (current assessment cycle only):

- 1. Follow instructions above to 'Navigate agent list of personal taxpayers'
- 2. Use the page navigation or the filters (remember to use the refresh button after changing the filters) and/or the text search box to find the taxpayer then click on 'View' on the action button.

Save/print a copy of a tax return

To save/print a copy of a submitted tax return:

- 1. Follow instructions above to 'View a Tax Return'
- 2. The report will now open. Select the Export option then save as a pdf and print. (You may need to allow pop-ups to be displayed via your browser settings for this page.

View help files

A link to 'Guidance notes on completing your income tax return' can be found on the 'Build your return' page. Alternatively, each section of the return has its own icon which contains help information specific to the section in which it is located.

Find out lodgement reference

When a return has been submitted you are given a lodgement reference. This is displayed on the submission confirmation page, it is also emailed to the email address set up for the user account that made the submission and it is also displayed in the Client List for Agents (Follow instructions above to 'Navigate agent list of personal taxpayers).

Upload an xml file for one or more returns

Personal tax returns submitted by agents to our secure website can be uploaded as a separate return file (xml) to the website. The xml schema and an example are available on request from the Taxes Office IT department. At present, only a registered agent may complete online returns for individual tax payers. If you do not have this capability we are accepting paper returns which you should have received in January

Note that there is commercially available software that will prepare and upload tax returns in xml format. Contact the Taxes Office IT department for a list of vendors or if you wish to be considered as a vendor.

There are two methods for uploading XML Return files:

'Unattended' upload method

This requires third party software. You will need to create an 'Upload' User account (see Manage My Users section above). With this method, the third party software is entirely responsible for building, completing and submitting the return.

A return successfully submitted through this route will still be viewable through the website (see section on View a Tax Return above).

'Attended' upload method

This method uses a third party software program or tool to create the required XML return. An online user must then log in to the Taxes Office Online Services website and upload the XML file.

To upload an xml:

- 1. Follow the instructions above to 'Log in' and Accessing services that are available to you.
- 2. Click on the Upload a Return menu item from the Service menu drop down
- 3. Click on 'Browse' to locate the xml file on your PC or network.
- 4. Click on 'Validate' or 'Upload'
- 5. You will be advised if there are any errors in the file, or if the upload is successful, a lodgement reference will be returned.

6. To view or print the return as we will see it, see the sections above on View a Tax Return and Save/print a copy of a Tax Return.

Completing a 'Global Return'

Only available to Agent Registered Users.

You can file online a bulk (global) return for companies that are under the administration of an agent or service provider that are incorporated in Jersey, but where the ultimate ownership of the company doesn't include any Jersey residents. Please go to our information website www.gov.je/TaxesMoney/IncomeTax/Companies/ForeignCompanies/Pages/ReportingJerseyGlobal.aspx for the full criteria.

To complete a global return:

- 1. Follow the instructions above to 'Log in' and Accessing services that are available to you.
- 2. From the 'Your Services' drop down menu, select 'Complete a GRJIC Return'
- 3. You will be presented with a list of all companies that have not yet had a return filed.
- 4. Using the tick boxes and page navigation, select all companies to which the outlined statement applies.
- 5. Click Next Page
- 6. Double check the entities that have been selected and read the declaration. Use the previous page button if you need to change something or do not wish to complete filing these companies.
- 7. When ready to confirm, tick the box and then click the 'Submit GRJIC return...' button.
- 8. A confirmation screen will display the lodgement references against each company that you have returned for.
- 9. This page also displays a PassCode. Keep a record of this. However, should you lose it, it can be found on the 'Your Account' page in the section entitled 'Recent Account Activity'
- 10. You will be emailed a copy of each return in a folder that is password protected. The PassCode is the password to open this folder and access the returns contained within it.

Contact tax office

For Tax Return completion questions: Telephone: +44 (0)1534 440300

Email: jerseytax@gov.je

For technical questions regarding the website:

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Email: jerseytax@gov.je