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Your protection

Tax Investigation Service

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What is an HMRC enquiry?

It is no surprise that small businesses and individuals are on the HMRC radar, they account for over half of the £33 billion tax gap.

HMRC actively target areas where they believe tax is at risk and they use sophisticated software to analyse a huge range of data sources to identify anomalies that lead to an enquiry. There are also enquiries that result from HMRC actively encouraging members of the public to report taxpayers via their hotline and they also continue to carry out some random enquiries.

Where this is unfair on the taxpayer is where they actually have no additional tax to pay but still have to deal with all of the queries, face the stress and uncertainty of an HMRC visit or investigation as well as the inevitable disruption that this will cause.

If this was not enough you are also **strongly advised to engage expert professional representation** to ensure you provide a robust response and bring the issue to an early resolution, this of course comes at a cost.



Our Tax Investigation Service

We offer a Tax Investigation Service that gives you professional representation in the event that you are chosen by HMRC. The service is backed by an insurance policy that provides for up to **£100,000 of professional fees**. This gives you complete peace of mind and mitigates the stress and disruption of an HMRC investigation, not to mention the costs. You will be able to respond to HMRC using qualified experts who have the experience in dealing with HMRC allowing you the best chance to bring the matter to an early conclusion and mitigate any additional tax that may be due.

If you are in business and have employees it gets even better. You also gain access to a dedicated team of HR consultants who can assist you in growing your business by providing pro-active commercial advice regarding the managing and well-being of your staff.



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A small retail business received a VAT visit followed by some written questions from HMRC, they had the support of their accountant throughout, right from the notice of the VAT visit. This resulted in a timely conclusion of HMRC's enquiry and virtually no additional tax to pay. The professional fees amounted to £3,200. Fortunately, the business had subscribed to the tax investigation service and these fees were met in full by the service.




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