



INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT MALTA

USING THE SPREADSHEET VERSION OF THE TAX RETURN *[Including attachments and the TIFD coded financial information]*

General

Any Excel Version integrated within Microsoft Office 97 drives this workbook.

Navigation

Use the TAB key to switch from one field to another making sure that values are allocated to the proper fields.

Validations

A variety of validations are present and serve as a check on the accuracy, completeness and correctness of the data inputted.

Certain validations are activated upon data entry and take the form of:

- Warning prompts user to check data input; and

	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Ref: 990000123	Name: DEMO Company Ltd		Y/A 2002		
2	TA2 Manual V_2.01					
3	Income Statement for the year ended			2001	2000	
4	Item Description	Code		Dr (+) or Cr (-)	Dr (+) or Cr (-)	
9	Sale of goods and rendering of services	5000		899043		
10	Export Sales					
11	Wholesale Sales					
12	Retail Sales					
13	Sale of goods to related parties					
14	Interdivisional sales	5005				
15	Income from production and / or processing - local	5006				
16	Income from production and / or processing - foreign	5007				
17	Income from production and / or processing - related parties	5008				
18	Income from the rendering of services - local	5009				
19	Income from the rendering of services - overseas	5010				
20	Income from the rendering of services to related parties	5011				
21	Total sales of goods and services	5099				
22	Income from Investments	5100				
23	Interest from Maltese banks	5101				
24	Interest received or receivable from shareholders and / or directors	5102				
25	Interest received or receivable from related parties	5103				
26	Loan interest - from local sources	5104				
27	Securities interest - from local sources	5105				
28	Interest from other Maltese sources	5106				
29	Interest from foreign banks	5107				
30	Loan interest - from foreign sources	5108				
31	Securities interest - from foreign sources	5109				

- Stop rejects the amount inputted.

Row	Field	Value	Field	Value	Field	Value
1	Ref: 990000123 Name: DEMO Company Ltd		Y/A			
2	BACK TO INDEX					
3	SECTION 2 - SELF ASSESSMENT COMPUTATION					TA2 Man
5	MTA					
7	Chargeable Income for the year	79a	0	79b		
11	BPA - Article 5a (Inv. Incentive Scheme)	TRA 22	80a	0	80b	0.00 80c
12	BPA - Article 6 (Reduced Rate of Tax)	TRA 23	81a	0	81b	0.00 81c
13	BPA - Article 24B (Red. Rates of Tax - Hotels)	TRA 24	82a	0	82b	0.00 82c
14	BPA - Regulation 4 (Reduced Rates of Income Tax)	TRA 25	83a	0	83b	0.00 83c
15	BPA - Regulation 6 (Value Added)		84a	0	84b	0.00 84c
16	BPA - Regulation 6 (Minimum Tax)					85a
17	MFSC Act - Article 30		86a		86b	5.00 86c
18	ITA - Article 56(7) (Collective Inves		87a		87b	87c
19	ITA - Article 56(8) (Dividends from ITC's)		88a		88b	27.50 88c
20	ITA - Article 56(20) (Double Taxation Treaties)	TRA 27	89a	0	89b	0.00 89c
21	Stock Exchange Act - Article 31		90a		90b	90c
22	Investment income subject to 15% withholding tax		91a		91b	15.00 91c
23	Dividends not subject to further tax		92a		92b	92c
24	Other income at reduced rates of tax:					
25	Act	yes	93a		93b	93c
26	Income subject to normal rate of tax		94a	-9458	94b	35.00 94c
27	AMOUNT in 79a <- TO THE SUM TOTAL OF FIELDS 80a TO 94a!		95a	-9,458		95b

These categories of validations operate ONLY when data is entered sequentially assuming a top-down flow. Values are only checked at time of entry in the validated field.

A lot of caution is solicited where amendments are required; if the top-down-flow rule is not adhered to, validations on any data previously entered are no longer supported! As a consequence, the computed results [protected fields] that are automatically updated may not be statutorily correct and may yield unwanted results.

A number of validations ensure that the proper signs [positive (+) or negative (-)] precede the values entered whilst others restrict data entry depending on the type of parameters set.

Some validations will restrict input of certain data, whilst others will just draw the attention that the data may not be correct and you will be prompted to confirm or alter the data entered. Pop-up windows will display messages.

Other validations are present to denote empty fields that are mandatory or to indicate that the data entered is not consistent or compatible with other information contained elsewhere.

	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	K	N	O	F	Q		
1	990000123	DEMO Company Ltd										Y/A		
2	BACK TO INDEX													
3	PART 3 - SELF ASSESSMENT										TA2 Manual V			
5	Section 1 - COMPUTATION OF CHARGEABLE INCOME													
22		Dividend(s)		TRA 08		50a	0		50b					
23	4(1)(c)	Interest(s)	Check field 26a!	TRA 09		51a	1,000		51b					
24		Discounts or premiums		TRA 10		52a	0		52b					
25		Net Income from Rent(s)		TRA 11		53a	0		53b					
26	4(1)(e)	Net Income from Ground Rent(s)		TRA 12		54a	0		54b					
27		Net income from Royalties, etc.		TRA 13		55a	0		55b					
28	4(1)(g)	Other income		TRA 14		56a	0		56b					
29	Net income/(loss)										57a	1,000	57b	
30		Capital loss brought forward				58a			58b					
31	5	Capital gain/(loss) - current year		TRA 15		59a	0		59b					
32		Capital gains charged for the year				60a	0		60b					
33		Unabsorbed capital loss c/f				61a	0		61b					
34	Net income/(Loss) before Exemptions										62a	1,000	62b	
35		Exemptions												
36		Total Exempt Income		TRA 18		63a	0		63b					
37	Net Income /(Loss) after Exemptions										64a	1,000	64b	
38		Loss transferred between Tax Accounts				65a	0		65b					
39	Net Income / (Loss) after loss transfer between tax accounts										66a	1,000	66b	
40	16 to 22	GROUP LOSS RELIEF												
41		Loss SURRENDERED to group company/companies		TRA 19		67a	0		67b					

A set of final validations is present on all sheets to ascertain that the return is complete in all material respects before filing.

Currency

All the values in the spreadsheet will assume the currency indicated on page 1 of the tax return.

Data formats

□ Percentages

Percentage cells are formatted as such. This means that any data input for percentages must be a whole number. For example to indicate:

To get 5% enter 5 and not 0.05

For 17.25% enter 17.25 and not 0.1725

□ Dates

Any date required in the workbook is in the format dd / mm / yyyy [i.e. the day, month and year are separated by a backslash ' / ']

Calculations

The workbook will not function properly and will not return the correct result if non-numeric or alphanumeric values are entered in cells where a numeric value is expected.

Comments

Comments are present [red placeholders] to indicate the type of data expected [e.g. to indicate that a year of assessment is required rather than the basis year].

ITA Article	Description	Attachment required	Maltese Taxed Account [total]	Foreign Income Account [total]
4(1)(a)	Income/(loss) from trade, business, etc. after tax adjustments but before capital allowances [Copy here the result(s) obtained in field(s) 39 on page 3]		40a 0	40b 0
	Balancing charge	TRA04	41a 0	41b 0
	Capital Allowances Brought forward		42a (100)	42b
	Income Tax Act - Wear & Tear	IRA 05	43a 0	43b 0
	BPA [Article 7] - Investment Allowance	IRA 06	44a 0	44b 0
	BPA [Article 8] - Accelerated Depreciation	IRA 07	45a 0	45b 0
	Balancing allowance(s)	IRA 04	46a 0	46b 0
	Capital allowances absorbed	Value !	47a	47b
	Unabsorbed capital allowances c/f		48a (100)	48b 0
	Income from trade, business, etc. net of losses / (Loss)		49a 0	49b 0
4(1)(c)	Dividend(s)	IRA 08	50a 0	50b 0
	Interest(s)	IRA 09	51a 0	51b 0
	Discounts or premiums	IRA 10	52a 0	52b 0
	Net Income from Rent(s)	IRA 11	53a 0	53b 0
4(1)(e)	Net Income from Ground Rent(s)	IRA 12	54a 0	54b 0
	Net income from Royalties, etc.	IRA 13	55a 0	55b 0
4(1)(g)	Other income	IRA 14	56a 0	56b 0
	Net income/(loss)		57a 0	57b 0
	Capital loss brought forward		58a	58b
5	Capital gain/(loss) - current year	IRA 15	59a 0	59b 0
	Capital gains charged for the year		60a 0	60b 0
	Unabsorbed capital loss c/f		61a 0	61b 0
	Net income/(Loss) before Exemptions		62a 0	62b 0

Macros

Macros are present to import TIFD data, to encrypt and finally to export the return through the web. [Electronic filing]

Macros are also present to set the print area of the TIFD coded financial data. [Manual filing]

Colour Schemes

Data entry is restricted to blank cells. Automated calculations are present in coloured cells [pink] that are also protected. Dropdown lists are coloured in

light yellow. Error messages are either displayed in red fonts, or in white fonts with a red background.

15	<u>Subject of whom benefit(s) are being claimed</u>					
16	Wage Cost	Amount set to determine Upper limit ¹	Qualifies under Reg 13 ... subreg.	Approved Training Programme?	Rate for additional deduction	Addit Dedu
17						
18	3,650	3,500	(13)(a) / (b)	Yes	100%	
19				Yes		
20				No		
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Workbook Contents

- ❑ Index Sheet
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- ❑ Tax Return Attachments [TRAs]
- ❑ Tax Return

The Index Sheet

The workbook provides an Index sheet with hyperlinks to the different sheets. Similarly, all sheets are hyperlinked to the Index Sheet.

The electronic version of the return also provides the tools to transcribe [import] TIFD coded financial data into the appropriate sheets. It also serves to encrypt the data before electronic transmission is effected [export].

	A	B	C	D
1		Ref:		Name:
2		TA2 Manual V_2.01		MANUAL FILING
6			✘	Balance Sheet
7			✘	Income Statement
8		TRA 01	📁	ITA - Article 14(1)(h) - Scientific Research -
9		TRA 02	📁	BPA - Regulation 13 - Incentive for job crea
10		TRA 03	📁	Other statutory inflation of expenditure
11		TRA 04	📁	ITA - Balancing statement
12		TRA 05	📁	ITA - Capital allowances
13		TRA 06	📁	BPA [Article 7] - Investment Allowance
14		TRA 07	📁	BPA [Article 8] - Accelerated Depreciation
15		TRA 08	📁	ITA - Dividend(s)
16		TRA 09	📁	ITA - Interest(s)
17		TRA 10	📁	ITA - Discounts or premiums
18		TRA 11	📁	ITA - Income from Rent(s)

An important feature of the Index sheet is its capability to identify worksheets:

- that have not been used;

[denoted by the sign 📁 and indicated in grey]

- that contain errors or that are incomplete;

[denoted by the sign ✘ and highlighted in plum colour]

- that have passed all validations.

[denoted by the sign 📁 and highlighted in blue]

The TIFD component [Manual filing]

The two sheets are ONLY intended to complement the signed set of audited financial statements that will accompany tax returns filed manually. It does in no way replace the audited accounts. The TIFD-coded Balance Sheet, the Income Statement and the Statement of Retained Earnings must be signed by the director(s).

- All debit amounts must be indicated as positive [+];

- Credit amounts must be distinguished by the minus [-] sign;
- Comparative figures are required.

Make sure that the correct data is inputted under the proper item description. A value for each mandatory field is always required [see TIFD guidelines page 17].

Ref: 99000123 Name: DEMO Company Ltd		Y/A 2002	
TA2 Manual V 2.01			
Balance Sheet as at		2001	2000
Item Description	Code	Dr (+) or Cr (-)	Dr (+) or Cr (-)
241 Ordinary Share Capital	3801	(500)	(500)
242 Cumulative Preference Share Capital	3802		
243 Non-Cumulative Preference Share Capital	3803		
244 Other Share Capital	3804		
245 Share Premium Account	3805		
246 Capital Account(s) (Partnerships and self-employed)	3806		
247 Accumulated Fund (NPOs)	3807		
248 Total Capital	3890		
249 Reserves	3900		
250 Revaluation Reserve	3901	(32,500)	(32,500)
251 Capital Redemption Reserve Fund	3902		
252 General reserve	3903	(17,965)	(17,965)
253 Incentives and Benefits Reserve (BPA)	3904		
254 Retained Earnings	3905		
255 Non-distributable reserves	3906		
256 Total Reserves	3950		
257 TOTAL SHAREHOLDER EQUITY	3998		
258 Total liabilities and shareholder equity	3999		

Validation section:

261 VALIDATION			
262 All mandatory fields present?	No		
263 Balance Sheet equation satisfied?		No	No

Buttons: Print set-up, Undo Print set-up, BACK TO INDEX

The two worksheets containing the TIFD component are protected. They include macros that will restrict the print area to value fields only.

Validations are present on both sheets.

In the case of the Balance Sheet these ensure that:

- all mandatory fields [D262] are present; and
- the balance sheet equation is satisfied [E263 and G263].

For the income statement checks are performed to ensure that:

- all mandatory fields [D262] are present;
- total revenue less total expenses = net income on ordinary activities before tax
- TIFD code 7600 = TIFD code 3905

An error message will also be displayed in any of the two sheets to indicate mandatory field(s) left blank.

Once data input is complete:

- click on the Print set-up button at the bottom of the sheet;

- the worksheets will list only the value fields that need to be printed.

You can now proceed with the print job - the print area has been pre-set. Each worksheet has another button to remove the print set-up.

Specification of TIFD coded financial statements import ***[Applicable to the Electronic filing return spreadsheet]***

Accounting systems and **computerised audit tools** may avoid pointless copying of TIFD values into the IRD spreadsheet by reporting a data file with the financial values for the year.

Accounting systems able to report end-of-year financial items may do so in TIFD-coded transactions. The Inland Revenue acknowledges the benefit of an automated report but is firm on the need to format the submission file and authenticate the contents through the customised spreadsheet available per taxpayer.

The spreadsheet provides automated tools for the import of formatted line items of income statements and balance sheets. The code and value are delimited.

The effects of the import are

- Filled-in income statement and balance sheet straight from an automated source
- Feedback on the load.

List of activities involved within the import

- Identify file for importing
- Reject if identified with another taxpayer
- Position values in the income statement or the balance sheet depending on the relative TIFD code, and debit or credit depending on the sign of the value.
- Ignore lines whose TIFD code relates to subtotals.
- Ignore lines that do not have a delimiter.
- Ignore lines where the TIFD code is not made up of four digits.

The overall purpose of the process is to simplify the submission of financial details through automation. Secondary objectives are to confirm the quality of information and reassure the parties involved. Activities and outcomes within the process must be very visible.

Identify file for importing

The user has control on the organisation of data files. No information regarding the user system, other than critical details for the successful submission may be evaluated and retained by the process.

Reject if identified with another taxpayer

The user has to ensure that the data imported refers to the intended taxpayer company. He may use whatever measure to protect himself from erroneously interchanging import files.

Allocation of values

The spreadsheet is already formatted with blank areas where to accept values for TIFD codes. The TIFD itself may be referred to as one complete block. It is divided into an income statement and a balance sheet merely for the sake of visual representation.

The TIFD code is matched and the value finds itself next to the code in the relevant sheet. Industry standards for reporting trial balances are used to determine whether the value is debit or credit. Interpretation is not based on the nature of the transaction or its typical balance. In fact there is no assumption on the final balance for the financial item. Any item may be entered in either the debit or credit column (not in both).

Positive values are positioned in the debit column and negatives in the credit column. Financial information is reported to the Inland Revenue as integers.

Ignore lines whose TIFD code relates to subtotals.

Optional subtotals are ignored during import because they are redundant. The TIFD however does include subtotals that are derived from the summation of line items within the statement.

However one must distinguish between the mandatory and the optional subtotals. Electronic filers should ignore optional subtotals. They do not add value because the sole intent is to provide placeholders for manual filers.

Mandatory subtotals are ignored during import; they must be entered manually after the import. This serves as a check on the completeness and accuracy of the data imported.

Ignore lines that do not have a delimiter.

The file to be imported is generated by an external system. There are specific instructions on the format of this file. In particular it is comprised of a TIFD code and a numeric value separated by a comma.

Ignore lines where the TIFD code is not made up of four digits.

The use of the comma as in CSV files was suggested due to the ease for generation by external systems.

Consequently, if the identified reference preceding the delimiter is not made up of 4 digits, the line must be badly formatted and is completely ignored by the import facility.

Response on the import

The import facility generates a report on the outcome of the import, indicating any unexpected event, such as the rejection of the file.

The report briefs the user of the outcome through a short message and asks whether to write to disk a more detailed description of the import. The response file is optional and is intended to explain exceptions encountered while importing. The user has to assign the name of the response file.

The explanations in the response file are divided into the following three sections each announced in square brackets.

System

Exception messages that refer to the entire input file in a general context.

Balance sheet

Measures and features of the TIFD codes that relate to the balance sheet.

Income statement

The same nature of counters and notifications as in the balance sheet, but in relation to the income statement.

Whatever exceptions occur during the import, the messages and counts within the balance sheet and the income statement always feature in the response file. The message and value are separated with a colon ':' and a space. The value of some counters may be distorted due to the presence of duplicates.

The exceptions reported that are reported in the first part are:

- the input file is identified with a different taxpayer
- an excessive number of codes

- ❑ some of the lines had an incorrect format
- ❑ the presence of duplicate codes

Sample input file

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7201,-14200  
7202,1200  
7203,663  
7204,2200  
7205,-5200  
7500,-376367
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Notice the comma that separates the TIFD code from its value, and the presence of positive and negative values. The first line shown in this excerpt assigns a credit value of 14200 as 'extraordinary income'. The fourth line is a debit value of 2200 for 'prior period adjustments'.

Should there be another 7204 later in the input, the value of 2200 would be overwritten by the latter value.

The list is shown here sorted but the input file need not follow a predetermined order.

Specification of the import file.

Negative values	All items accept negative values, but negative values do not show in the spreadsheet. The load interprets negatives as credits and positives as debit values (even though many items are considered as pertaining solely to a category).
Decimal points	Financial values submitted to the Inland Revenue are quoted as whole integers. You should round your figures if you are currently reporting cents. The import routine rounds figures automatically. Subtotals may not agree with your values.
Multiple lines of business Duplicate line items	You can import only the common parts of the main statement. You would need to specify the other lines of business separately. Duplicate values are ignored. The last item reported is imported into the spreadsheet.
Transitory description codes	The Inland Revenue has provided T-codes that should accompany an income statement to explain a categorisation of the transitory lumped code. The summation of T-codes is equal to the transitory operating expenditure code and clarifies the value. T-codes cannot be imported.
Text	No text content may be imported. This should be entered manually. Attention is drawn to the trading activity name and description.
Delimiter	There are two pieces of information in every line. Both must be present. The first is always the TIFD code. The code is separated from the value using a comma. There must be no spaces. Any text (including spaces) invalidates the value for that code and gets rejected.

What activity follows the import of TIFD labelled financial values

In essence the import routine mimics the data capture in the worksheet. Consequently, the same interactive validation restrictions applied on the worksheet apply to the imported fields which is part of the self-assessment computation.

The self-assessment computation is an incremental process where information is introduced in the worksheet and can be reviewed and amended. The financial statements are just two sheets within the other content. The values may be altered following the import. The import may be repeated. However one should take care not to overwrite figures that have been adjusted using a previous or wrong version of financial details.

The import of financial details is not an end in itself. The user is required to review the contents of the statement and more importantly to determine and enter the values for mandatory fields. Mandatory fields are subtotals whose value is suggested by expressions to the right of the input area. To disagree

with this value does not mean that the financial statements are incorrect, but that there must be some reason to justify the case.

You must not rely on the import routine. The import is not familiar with your reporting environment even though both are based on the standards set in the TIFD. There may be incorrect representations in your import files or distortions due to replicated codes, signed figures or decimal values. You must review the contents of the income statement and balance sheet before signing the tax return.

Tax Return Attachments

The spreadsheet incorporates a comprehensive range of worksheets that address the different computations and calculations required to derive the chargeable income and the tax thereon.

These attachments cover the broad spectrum of statutory calculations, workings and adjustments required by the Income Tax Acts and other peripheral legislation mainly the Business Promotion Act.

These attachments are used as and when required and it is statutorily impossible that a company utilises them all, to calculate its tax liability for any particular year of assessment.

Tax return attachments are numbered in the sequence they appear in the tax return. The following is the full list of the tax return attachments present within the workbook.

TRA 01	ITA - Article 14(1)(h) - Scientific Research - 20% increase over cost
TRA 02	BPA – Regulation 13 - Incentive for job creation
TRA 03	Other statutory inflation of expenditure
TRA 04	ITA – Balancing statement
TRA 05	ITA – Capital allowances
TRA 06	BPA [Article 7] - Investment Allowance
TRA 07	BPA [Article 8] - Accelerated Depreciation
TRA 08	ITA - Dividend(s)
TRA 09	ITA - Interest(s)
TRA 10	ITA - Discounts or premiums
TRA 11	ITA - Income from Rent(s)
TRA 12	ITA - Income from Ground Rent(s)
TRA 13	ITA - Income from Royalties, etc.
TRA 14	ITA - Other income
TRA 15	ITA - Capital gain/(loss) – Summary
TRA 16	ITA - Capital gain/(loss) - Immovable Property

TRA 17	ITA - Capital gain/(loss) – Shares
TRA 18	Total Exempt Income
TRA 19	ITA - Loss SURRENDERED to group company/companies
TRA 20	ITA - Group loss claimed - current year
TRA 21	BPA - Article 5
TRA 22	BPA - Article 5A
TRA 23	BPA - Article 6
TRA 24	BPA - Article 24B
TRA 25	BPA - Regulation 4 (Reduced Rates of Income Tax)
TRA 26	BPA - Regulation 6 (Value Added Incentive Scheme)
TRA 27	ITA - Article 56(20) (Double Taxation Treaties)
TRA 29	BPA - Regulation 5 (Investment Tax Credit)
TRA 30	Relief of double taxation
TRA 31	Tax paid

Attachment completeness confirmation

At the end of each worksheet relating to attachments you are asked to indicate whether the relative attachment is complete. This is done through a dropdown list where you choose a 'yes' or a 'no' to indicate the worksheet status. The cell is set to blank by default.

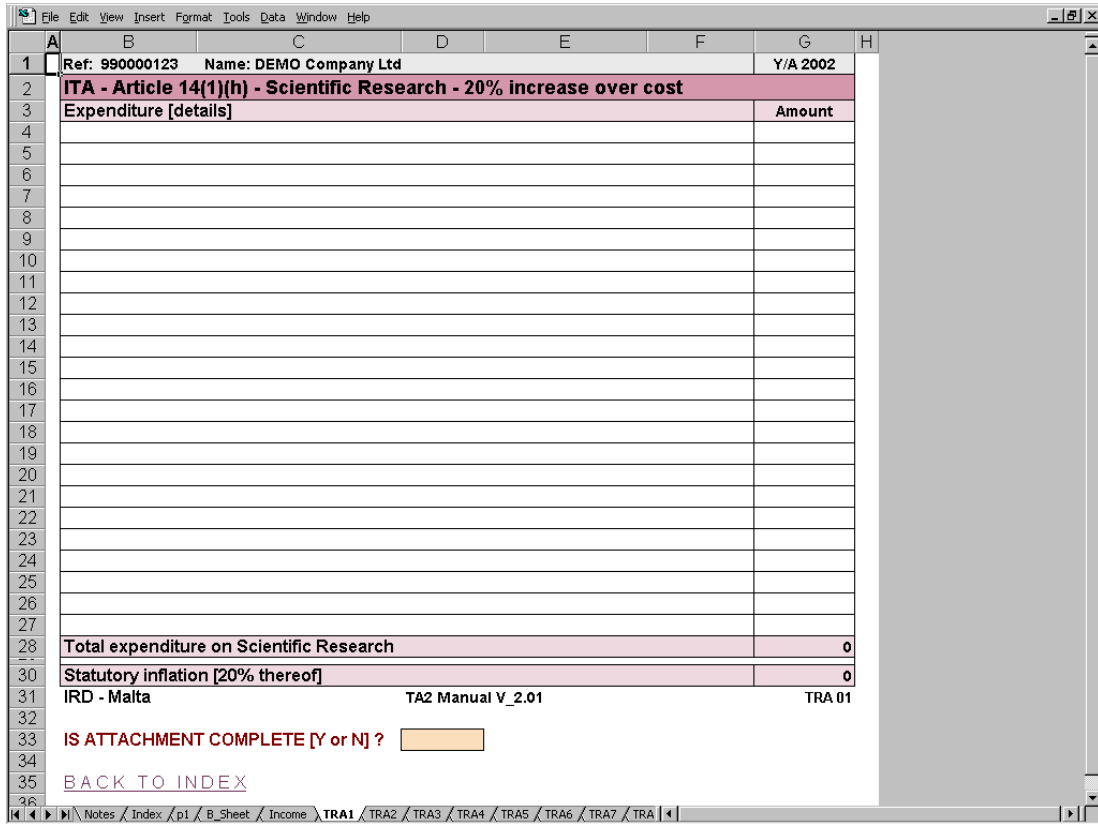
	B	C	D	E
1	Ref: Name:			
2	Capital Allowances Schedule - INCOME TAX ACT CAP			
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73				
74				
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76	Total Capital Allowances for the Year allocated			
77				
78	IRD - Malta			TA2 Ma
79				
80	Is attachment complete?			
81				
82	BACK TO INDEX			
83				

The spreadsheet cannot be exported unless all TRAs utilised are confirmed complete. However, the fact that a 'Yes' is indicated does not mean that the worksheet is ready for export; it has to pass other in-built validations that ensure the completeness and accuracy of the data inputted.

A walk-through the TRAs

TRA 01 ITA - Article 14(1)(h) - Scientific Research - 20% increase over cost

Input is restricted to the description of the different expense items and the amount attaching to each. The total expenditure and the 20% increase over cost are automatically calculated. The resulting increase over cost is posted in field 32a of Page 3 of the tax return.



TRA 02 BPA - Regulation 13 - Incentive for job creation

Claims under this regulation necessitate the following mandatory data entry:

Data Description	Position cell(s)	Error Message Display cell(s)
PE [employer] number(s)	E10:E13	F10
Qualifying employee details ¹	A18:H33	F34

¹ Cells G18:G33 contain dropdown lists that indicate the sub-regulation under which the benefit is claimed. Cells H18:H33 require that you indicate whether there is an approved training programme. Entry in any of these cells will determine the appropriate rate for the benefit to be applied. It is imperative that all details are filled in correctly.

The result derived in cell J34 is transcribed to field 33a of page 3 of the tax return.

The lower part of the attachment has to be filled in only where a Cash Grant is claimed instead of the additional deduction. Cells F38:I38 and F41:I41 are intended to cater also for individuals subject to different tax bands.

Error messages are displayed in:

- Cell D38 to indicate that the total in J38 is not equal to J34

- Cell J41 to indicate that the count for rate(s) of tax entered in cells F41:I41 does not equal the count of entries in cells F38:I38.

The result derived in cell J45 is transcribed to cell E18 in TRA18 [Exempt Income].

TRA 03 Other statutory inflation of expenditure

This attachment is present to cater for any other fiscal incentives that may entitle beneficiary to inflate any specified expenditure claimed. This worksheet operates in the same manner as TRA 01 except that details of the Act under which the claim is being made are required [D3]. The statutory percentage to be applied to derive the increase is also required [Cell D31].

The result derived in cell G31 is transcribed to field 34a of page 3 of the tax return.

TRA 04 ITA – Balancing Statement

The only input required in this worksheet is the sale proceeds of assets disposed of during the year [Cells H6:H35] and the total balancing charges or allowances [Cells I37:L37]. The other data is derived from TRA 05 – Capital Allowances. Whenever there are asset disposals it is important to start from TRA 05.

Asset Description	Taxed Account	Year of Purchase [Y/A]	COST	WDV on disposal	Proceeds on disposal	Maltese Taxed Account		Foreign Income Account		
						Balancing		Balancing		
						Allowance	Charge	Allowance	Charge	
Furniture, Fixtures, Fittings and Soft Furnishings	MTA	1990	2,103	327	150	177	0	0	0	
Other machinery	MTA	1993	4,598	832		Proceeds!	Proceeds!	Proceeds!	Proceeds!	
ALL PROCEEDS MUST BE INDICATED!										
Balancing Allowances / Charges allocated						value!	177	0	0	0

Proceeds are automatically restricted where these exceed cost. However, the worksheet does not cater for apportionment in the case of motor vehicles the cost of which has been restricted to the statutory Lm3000 limit. You have to apportion proceeds accordingly.

Balancing charges or allowances are automatically computed. An error message is displayed in any cell I6:L35 where proceeds are required. If there is no disposal value you have to enter a '0' in the appropriate field. Cell C36 displays an error message to indicate the presence of empty fields in the proceeds cell(s).

Cells I37:L37 are mandatory. A message 'value' is displayed in cell H37 to indicate that a value / values is / are required in any or all of these fields. The same message appears whenever the values entered in cells I37:L37 do not agree with the computed values in cells I38:L38, indicated in grey.

The resulting balancing charge(s) is transcribed to field 41a or 41b of page 4 of the return, depending on the tax account. The same logic applies for balancing allowances, which are copied to field 46a or 46b of page 4 of the return.

TRA 05 ITA - Capital Allowances

This worksheet is divided in three parts, two relating to plant and machinery and another for industrial buildings and structures. It takes full account of the changes brought about by ***The Deduction (Wear and Tear of Plant and machinery) Rules, 2001*** necessitating the division for plant and machinery to distinguish between:

- ❑ assets acquired before the year of assessment 2002 in which case capital allowances are computed on the written down values; and
- ❑ assets acquired in the year of assessment 2002 and after, where capital allowances are calculated on the straight-line basis based on cost.

The asset description for plant and machinery is available in the dropdown lists. Your own brief description is required in respect of industrial buildings, structures and hotels. The worksheet will not calculate the annual wear and tear without the asset description!

Once an item of plant and machinery is chosen, the number of years over which the asset is to be depreciated is automatically computed (hidden). The dropdown lists are not protected to allow asset descriptions of your choice. However, if you enter your own asset description, the number of years over which it is to be depreciated has to be indicated in cells K6:K23 and K28:K57. These same fields, together with cells K62:K74 applicable for industrial buildings etc, can be used if you opt to depreciate the assets over a number of years that exceeds the minimum prescribed by statute.

Assets that bear the same description or that are being depreciated over the same number of years can be lumped together. However, be cautious not to aggregate and include assets that have no written down value for tax purposes.

In all instances, the tax account (cells C6:C23, C28:C57 and C62:C74 for each asset or category of assets reported) to which the resulting capital allowances are to be allocated must be indicated in the dropdown list. If the tax account is not indicated an error message is displayed in the cell ranges P6:Q23, P28:Q57 and P62:Q74

Validations are present on all mandatory data input that varies for each part of the spreadsheet. Such validations ensure that all the required data is present and that the amounts inserted in different cells correlate with one another. As this worksheet updates TRA 04 [Balancing Statement], certain information is only mandatory where asset disposals are reported. The mandatory data fields present in each of the three parts of this worksheet are now examined.

Part 1 – Assets [plant and machinery] acquired and first used before Y/A 2002.

The year [of assessment] of purchase [cells D6:D23] and the original cost [cells E6:E23] are only mandatory when an asset is disposed of during the year. If the original cost is not inputted and there are no asset disposals, a warning message would still be displayed so that you can ensure that the written down value does not exceed cost.

The screenshot shows a spreadsheet application window titled 'File Edit View Insert Format Tools Data Window Help'. The spreadsheet contains the following data:

Capital Allowances Schedule - INCOME TAX ACT CAP 123										
Plant and Machinery - Assets acquired before Y/A 2002 [Include fully depreciated assets that are disposed of during the year]										
	Taxed A/c	Year of Purchase [Y/A]	Original Cost	WDV START Y/A 2002	WDV b/fwd [to-date]	Disposals at WDV START Y/A 2002	Disposals at Original Cost	Disposals at W.D.V. [to-date]		Nu
6	MTA	1990	2,103	327	327	327	2,103	327		
7	MTA	1993	4,598	832	832	832	4,598	832		
8	MTA			1284						

A warning dialog box titled 'WDV' is displayed in the center of the spreadsheet. The dialog contains a yellow warning icon and the text: 'Make sure that WDV does not exceed cost! Continue?' with 'Yes', 'No', and 'Cancel' buttons.

At the bottom of the spreadsheet, there is a section for 'Plant and Machinery - Assets acquired and first used after Y/A 2001' with columns for 'Additions at Cost' (New, Used), 'Disposals at Cost', and 'Disposals at W.D.V.'. The data in this section is currently empty.

The written down value [cells F6:F23] at the start of Y/A 2002 is mandatory. Capital allowances will be computed on this value.

The written down value brought forward [cells G6:G23] is also mandatory and is required even for Y/A 2002. The worksheet uses this balance to ascertain:

- that capital allowances on any particular asset do not exceed cost; and
- to calculate the written down value to be carried forward [can never be negative].

Values entered in cells G6:G23 are validated to ensure that they do not exceed amounts reported in the adjacent cells F6:F23.

For asset disposals all value fields within the cell range H6:J23 are required to update:

- TRA 04 – Balancing Statement;
- the w.d.v. at the start of Y/A 2002 c/fwd [cells L6:L23]; and
- the w.d.v. to date c/fwd [cells N6:N23].

Error messages will be displayed in cells N6:N23 to indicate missing data for asset disposals.

Part 2 – Assets [plant and machinery] acquired and first used during Y/A 2002 and after

In this part the year of purchase [Y/A] is mandatory to ensure that assets included were all acquired and first used after Y/A 2001. It also determines and activates the relevant input fields that are required and dims the rest.

the year, the cost of assets carried forward and the written down value carried forward is automated.

Part 3 – Industrial buildings or structures and hotels

This last part of the worksheet is similar to Part 2 except that data entry in the cell range G62:H74 for new assets must be precise. The initial allowance is only calculated on assets indicated as new.

Cells M77 and N77 must both be filled in to conclude the exercise. These values will update fields 43a and 43b in page 4 of the tax return, depending on the tax accounts selected. An error message is displayed in cell L77 if one or both fields are left blank. The same message appears if the values inputted in these fields do not match the computed values in cells P77 and Q77.

TRA 06 BPA – Investment Allowance

This worksheet also requires the asset description for buildings, and provides a dropdown list for plant and machinery as in TRA 05. Other dropdown lists are available to indicate the title by which the asset is held and the tax account where to allocate the investment allowance.

Validations are present on tax accounts selected. If the cost of an asset is entered without indicating the tax account an error message is displayed in cell H41. Finally, the worksheet requires the cost of each asset or asset group upon which to calculate the allowance.

- the grossed up element for the flat rate foreign tax credit; and
- expenditure directly related to the source.

TRA 08 ITA – Dividend Income

This worksheet is divided in two parts. The first part requires full information of the company paying the dividend and details of the dividend that are disclosed on dividend warrants. With the electronic submission of returns, dividend warrants will not be readily available to IRD.

You have to allocate each dividend to the tax account it pertains. Note the presence of the cell range G7:G27 that caters for untaxed dividends. Furthermore you are required to enter the net dividend [cell range L7:L28] that serves as a check on the data inputted with amounts in the dividend warrant. Validations are present for net dividends and the expected values are displayed in cells N7:N28.

The second part of the worksheet is prepared to derive the dividend income after deducting direct expenses. You have to input values for gross dividends received for each tax account cells C34:G34. An error message will be displayed in cell H34 if the sum total of values entered in cells C34:G34 is not equal to the sum total resulting in cells C28:G28.

Validations are also present on cells C44:G44 to ensure that data inputted is equal to the expected calculated value in cells C45:G45. An error message is displayed in cell H44 if there is a mismatch in any of these two sets of values or in their sum total.

Amounts entered in cells C44:F44 will be posted to the tax return as follows:

- amounts in C44 and F44 are copied to fields 50a and 50b respectively in page 4 of the tax return; and
- amounts in D44 and E44 will be added together and copied to cell E11 in TRA 18 – Exempt Income.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
17								
18								
19								
20								
21								
22								
23								
24								
25								
26								
27								
28	Totals >		4,670	7,890	0	1,230	0	0
30			Allocated					
31	ITA - Dividends		Maltese Taxed Account			Foreign Income A/c	Untaxed A/c	
32			Exempt					
33			Taxed	BPA	Other			
34	Gross Dividends Received		4,670	7,890		1,230		
35	Grossed up element for Flat rate foreign tax credit					308		
36	Gross Dividends Received		4,670	7,890	0	1,538	0	
37	Less direct expenses [Details required]							
38	Interest paid / payable							
39								
40								
41								
42								
43								
44	Dividend income after deducting direct expenses		4,670	7,890		1,538		
45	IRD - Malta		4,670	7,890	0	1,538	0	
46			TA2 Manual V_2.01					
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Any resulting income from untaxed dividends should be posted in any of the fields 29a to 31a in page 3 of the tax return.

TRA 09 to TRA 14 share the same layout and pattern. The following are the locations of error messages present, the type of error and the placing of results in the tax return.

TRA Cell Error Message

- 09** D20 a loss has been entered in B20 or C20 or both
- D20 values entered in B20 or C20 not equal to expected total in B21 or C21
- C22 a check on the 15% withholding tax claimed
[if B22 > ((B6+C6)*.15)]

Values entered in B20 and C20 are copied to fields 51a and 51b in page 4 of the tax return. The amount in cell C22 is posted to field 110a in page 5 of the tax return.

A		B	C	D
1	Ref: 990000123 Name: DEMO Company Ltd	Y/A 2002		
2		Allocated		
3	Interests [Article 4 (1)(c) ITA]	Maltese Taxed A/c	Foreign Income A/c	
4				
5	Gross Interest Received			
6	Interest subject to 15% withholding tax	1,000		
7	Interest not subject to 15% withholding tax			
8	Interest from other sources			
9	Grossed up element for Flat rate foreign tax credit			
10	Gross Interest Received	1,000	0	
11	Less direct expenses [Details required]			
12				
13				
14				
15				
16				
17				
18				
19				
20	Interest income after deducting direct expenses	1,000		
21		1,000	0	
22	15% withholding tax paid	150		
23	IRD - Malta	TA2 Manual V_2.01	TRA 09	
24				
31	Is attachment complete?		Yes	
32				
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34				
35				

- 10** D51 a loss has been entered in B51 or C51 or both
D51 values entered in B51 or C51 not equal to expected total in B52 or C52

Values entered in B51 and C51 are copied to fields 52a and 52b in page 4 of the tax return.

- 11** D75 a loss has been entered in B75 or C75 or both
D75 values entered in B75 or C75 not equal to expected total in B76 or C76

Values entered in B75 and C75 are copied to fields 53a and 53b in page 4 of the tax return.

- 12** D97 a loss has been entered in B97 or C97 or both
D97 values entered in B97 or C97 not equal to expected total in B98 or C98

Values entered in B97 and C97 are copied to fields 54a and 54b in page 4 of the tax return.

- 13** D120 a loss has been entered in B120 or C120 or both

D120 values entered in B120 or C120 not equal to expected total in B121 or C121

Values entered in B120 and C120 are copied to fields 55a and 55b in page 4 of the tax return.

14 D147 a loss has been entered in B147 or C147 or both
D147 values entered in B147 or C147 not equal to expected total in B148 or C148

Values entered in B147 and C147 are copied to fields 56a and 56b in page 4 of the tax return.

TRA 15 to TRA 17 - CAPITAL GAINS

The different computations required to calculate capital gains necessitated three attachments that distinguish between transfers of immovable property from share transfers. TRA 16 and TRA 17 must be completed before concluding the summary statement in TRA 15. TRA 16 and TRA 17 provide space for three transfers under each category but the ensuing description and cell references will be restricted to the first. The same mandatory entries, validations and calculations are present in all three sheets.

TRA 15 Summary Statement

Most of the data in this attachment is compiled from details entered in TRA 16 and TRA 17. Space is also provided to enter, where applicable, the grossed up element for flat rate foreign tax credit [cell H13].

The totals in cells G14 and H14 are required. If these are blank and values are present in TRA 16 or TRA 17, or both, an error message is displayed in cell I14. The same message appears if amounts entered in G14 and G15 do not equal the expected values displayed in cells G15 and H15.

Space is also provided [cells G16 and H16] to effect set-off of any resulting capital loss on one account against the capital gain on the other. Entry validations are active on both cells.

Data input is mandatory in cells G18 and H18 and amounts reported here are automatically copied to fields 59a and 59b in page 4 of the return. An error message will be displayed in cell I18 if any of these cells is blank and a value is expected. The same error message is displayed if the wrong values are entered.

Details of Immovable Property / Shares sold				Taxable Capital Gain / (Loss) Allocated	
Description (Immovables)	Attach.	MTA	FIA		
Land at ta' xxxxxxxx	TRA 16_1	10,015			
Description (Shares)	Attach.	MTA	FIA		
RIC Ltd	TRA 17_1				(234)
Grossed up element for Flat rate foreign tax credit					
Total Capital Gains / (Loss)		10,015			(234)
Set-off of capital losses against capital gains			(234)		234
Net Capital Gains / (Losses)		9,781			0

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 Is attachment complete? Yes
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TRA 16 Capital gains on transfer of immovable property

A description of the property transferred is required in cell E6 and will be automatically copied to TRA 15. It also provides space where to indicate the year of sale [cell E8] and selling expenses, if any [cell E12]. Any value in this latter cell will be automatically copied to cell F44 and will be deducted from the resulting capital gain.

Data input for the selling price [cell E10] is mandatory. An error message is displayed if it is left blank and other values are present in the sheet. This value is required to calculate the gain and to serve as a check on cell D43.

Two other mandatory cells are present in the form of a dropdown list where to indicate:

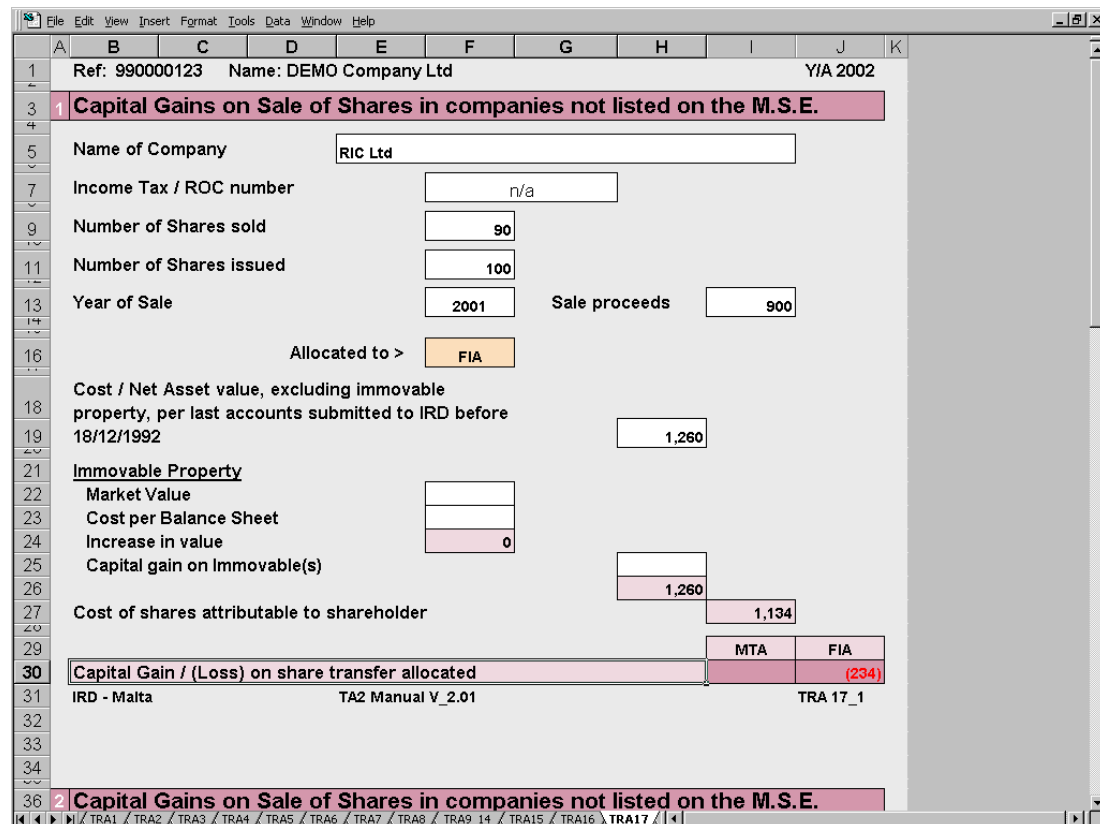
- the tax account allocation; and
- the method of calculation [time apportionment or inflation].

Ample space is provided to account for the piecemeal acquisition, improvements, etc of property [cells B17:F42]. All details under each heading [B16:F16] are required for each row utilised. An error message is displayed adjacent to the row where details are absent.

The column totals [cells C43 to F43] and allocation to the tax account [cells H46 and I46] are automated. A final validation is present on cell D43. If the

Other space is provided [cells F22 and F23] where to input data relating to immovable property and the worksheet will calculate the increase in value [cell F24]. You have to calculate the capital gain on immovable property and insert the result in cell H25.

The cost of shares sold [cell I27] is worked out by the worksheet and the result is allocated to the appropriate tax account [cell I30 or J30]. The results in these latter cells update the summary statement TRA 15.



TRA 18 Exempt Income

All income from any source that is exempt from tax [i.e. exempt in the hands of shareholders if distributed by way of dividend] is included in this attachment. Part of the data in this attachment is derived automatically from other worksheets. For ease of reference this attachment is hyperlinked to the source worksheets in the sequence TRA 21, TRA 22, TRA08 and TRA 02.

Space is also provided in cell E6 to input any tax holiday income under the BPA. Dates are required in cells D7 and D8, covering the tax holiday period, whenever an entry is made in cell E6. Error messages are displayed in cells E7 and E8 if any of the cells D7 and D8 are blank. A data input validation [warning] is present in cell D8 if the dates indicated exceed the ten-year period. An error message to this same effect will also be displayed in cell F8.

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A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Ref: 990000123	Name: DEMO Company Ltd				Y/A 2002
2	Exempt Income					
4	Legislation		<i>Income</i>	<i>Attachment</i>	<i>Taxed A/c</i>	<i>MTA</i>
5	Business Promotion Act					
6	BPA - Article 4 (Tax Holiday)					
7	Please indicate the Tax Holiday Period - Start date					
8	End date					
9	BPA - Article 5 (Export Incentive Scheme)					
10	BPA - Article 5A (Investment Incentive Scheme)					
11	BPA - Article 9 (Tax Free Dividends)					
12	BPA - Article 19 (Training Grant) ¹					
13	BPA - Article 20 (Management Services Grant) ¹					
14	BPA - Article 23 (3) and (4) (Accom. & Training grants to industry in Gozo) ¹					
15	BPA Regulations - Benefits and Grants					
16	Regulation 9 - (Loan Interest Subsidy) ¹					
17	Regulation 11 - (Grants by IPSE) ²					
18	Regulation 13 (9) - (Grant(s) in lieu of deductions for job creation) ³					
19	Regulation 14 - (Training Grant) ⁴					
20	Other exempt income					
21	Act					
22	Act					
23	Act					
25	Total Exempt Income					
26					7,890	0
27	Notes:					
28	1 Copies of application for grant(s) and approval by MDC are required.					
30	2 Copy of approval for assistance by IPSE are required.					
32	3 The attachment for the incentive for job creation must be filled and besides the documentation specified therein, you are also required to produce a copy of the application and approval by ETC for the claim of a cash grant in lieu of an additional deducti					
34	4 Application and subsequent approval of training programme issued by ETC are required.					
36	IRD - Malta					
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	TRA 18					

Cells E12:E14, E16, E17 and E19 cater for any grants and / or subsidies that are statutorily exempt from tax. Cells E21 to E23 may be used to indicate other income that is statutorily exempt under different legislations. The legislation is required [Cells C21 to C23 – dropdown list] if any value is entered in cells E21 to E23. The list is not exhaustive; it is not protected to allow the input of any other Act that allows the exemption.

For each value of exempt income entered under column E there must be a corresponding tax account description [choice from dropdown list] in column G. An error message is displayed in cell G26 to indicate missing tax accounts.

The computed values in H25 and J25 are copied to fields 63a and 63b in page 4 of the tax return.

TRA 19 Loss surrendered to group companies

This worksheet is very straightforward. The only data required is the registration number [IT number or ROC number] and name of the claimant company, and the amount surrendered to each company allocated directly to the appropriate tax account.

Any missing detail will be indicated by an error message present throughout the cell range G6:G25.

Computed values in cells D26 and F26 will be automatically transferred to fields 67a and 67b.

TRA 20 Loss claimed from group companies

This worksheet is a carbon copy of TRA 19. The only data required is the registration number [IT number or ROC number] and name of the surrendering company, and the amount claimed from each company allocated directly to the appropriate tax account.

Any missing detail will be indicated by an error message present throughout the cell range G6:G25.

Computed values in cells D26 and F26 will be automatically transferred to fields 70a and 70b.

1	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Ref: 990000123	Name: DEMO Company Ltd				Y/A 2002	
2	Group Loss Claimed						
3	IT No. / R.O.C. No.						
4	Company Name		MTA	FIA			
5							
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23							
24							
25							
26	Total Group Loss claimed			0		0	
28	IRD - Malta	TA2 Manual V_2.01				TRA 20	
29							
30	Is attachment complete?						
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TRA 21 and TRA 22

Benefits under Articles 5 or 5A of the Business Promotion Act are included in the same worksheet as no company can claim both benefits. You have to indicate in cell K21 [dropdown list for Articles 5 or 5A] the Article of the Act under which you are claiming the benefit. The worksheet will adapt itself accordingly.

Both benefits rely on the same prescribed formula. The years comprised in the base period are calculated by the worksheet and you are only required to

fill in data in the cell range E32:H33. Error messages are displayed in cells J32 and J33 to indicate empty fields.

All relevant data for the current period must be inserted in the cell range E37:H37. An error message is present in cell J37 indicating empty fields.

Once all data is in place the worksheet will return:

- the total sales [cell E34], the total export sales [cell F34], the total chargeable income [cell G34], total non-trading income [cell H34] and the total adjusted chargeable income [cell I34] for the base period;
- the average sales [cell E35], the average export sales [cell F35], the average chargeable income [cell G35] and the average adjusted chargeable income [cell I35] for the base period;
- the adjusted chargeable income for the year [cell I37];

TRA 21 Article 5 of the Business Promotion Act

Once Article 5 is chosen in cell K21, the company is asked to indicate the number of years it has enjoyed the benefit in cell K23. An error message is displayed in cell L23 if the 10-year period is exceeded. The worksheet calculates:

- the attributable profit exempt under Article 5 [cell J50]; and
- the percentage increase in sales over the base period [cell J51].

Cell K50 will indicate whether the company qualifies for the benefit based on the amounts inputted.

The resulting exempt income figure is automatically transcribed to TRA 18 [cell E9].

P B E A R S I E D	Year of Asst (Y/A)	Total Sales	Export Sales	Chargeable Income	Non-Trading Income	Adjusted Chargeable Income
1997	190,365	188,956	12,546		12,546	
1996	207,896	201,183	16,982		16,982	
Total	398,261	390,139	29,528	0	29,528	
Average	199,131	195,070	14,764		14,764	
Y/A	2002	289,056	278,531	24,532		24,532

Formula to derive **ATTRIBUTABLE PROFITS**

$$\left[\frac{Y \times X}{Z} \right] - \left[\frac{B \times A}{C} \right]$$

= $\frac{278531 \times 24532}{289,056}$ - $\frac{195069.5 \times 14764}{199,131}$

= 23,639 - 14,463 = **9,176**

Article 5 of the Business Promotion Act		
Attributable Profits exempt under Article 5 of the BPA	9,176	QUALIFIES
Percentage increase in sales over base period	42.79%	
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TRA 22 Article 5A of the Business Promotion Act

The lower part of the screen is activated to accommodate the data requirements that satisfy the provisions of Article 5A of the Business Promotion Act. The cell range E53:F59 caters for data entry relating to total sales and capital expenditure for the years of assessment indicated in the cell range D53:D59.

The start date of the seven-year period for the claim of this benefit has to be indicated in cell K58 and an error message is displayed if the cell is blank. If the seven year period is exceeded [impossible in Y/A 2002] an error message to this effect is displayed in cell J60.

The worksheet will return:

- the qualifying percentage where applicable [cell J52]:
- the attributable profits [cell J53]; and
- the applicable tax rate [cell J54].

Cell G53 will indicate whether the company qualifies for the benefit based on the data inputted. Once the company qualifies the allocation of the attributable profits depends on the resulting tax rate:

- if the applicable tax rate is 0%, the attributable profits in cell J53 are allocated to cell E10 of TRA 18 [Exempt Income]

- if the applicable tax rate is more than 0%, the attributable profits in cell J53 are allocated to field 80a and the tax rate in cell J54 is copied to field 80b in page 5 of the tax return.

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Ref: 990000123 Name: DEMO Company Ltd Y/A 2002

BUSINESS PROMOTION ACT - Article 5a

Under which article of the BPA are you claiming the incentive ? Article 5a

Attachments required

1) Auditor's certificate issued in terms of Article 35 of the BPA

Please complete the following worksheet to derive the attributable profits under Article 5a of the BPA

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Article 5a of the Business Promotion Act

Y/A	Total Sales	Capital Expenditure
2002	289,056	25,987
2001		
2000		
1999		
1998		
Totals >	289,056	25,987

Qualifying Percentage	8.99%
Attributable Profits	9,176
Applicable Tax Rate	17.50%

Please indicate the 7 year period

Seven Year Period	Date
Start >	01-Jan-1996
End >	31-Dec-2002

TRA 23 and TRA 24

TRA 23 and TRA 24

Reduced rates of tax

Benefits claimed under either Article 6 or Article 24B of the Business Promotion Act work out in the same manner and are included within the same worksheet. No company can claim both benefits.

You have to indicate from the dropdown list [Article 6 or 24B] in cell E4 the benefit you are claiming. You also have to indicate, from another dropdown list in cell H6 [Yes or No] whether the company is applying for a further reduction in tax rate contemplated by Regulation 7(2) of the Business Promotion Act Regulations.

The project details are required in the cell range B10:D15, whilst the certificate number, the date of the certificate and the amount of the approved set-aside profits for the current year has to be included in cells E10:G15, as required. If the certificate number for the current year is missing, an error message will be displayed in any of the cells H10:H15.

Finally you have to indicate the prescribed reduction in the tax rate depending on the benefit claimed from the dropdown list in cell E21 [19.25% or 17.5%].

The resulting total in D36 is copied to field 81a or 82a [page 5 of the tax return], depending on the benefit. The calculated average rate of tax in G36 is posted to field 81b or 82b, again depending on the benefit.

This time you have to input the amount transferred to the Incentives and benefits Reserve in cell G38.

Project Details		Current Year			
Project No.	Start Date	Completion Date	Certificate No.	Date of Certificate	Approved set aside profits
2142	15/03/2000		16/2002	12/07/2002	16,432
Total Chargeable Income					16,432

a) Rate of tax prescribed by article 56(6) of the I.T.A.	35%
b) Prescribed reduction in the rate of tax Article 6	19.25%

Act and Article for reduced rates of tax	Attributable Chargeable Income	Applicable Tax Rate	Reduction [Reg. 7]	Effective Tax Rate	Tax Thereon
Regulation 6 - BPA [VAIS]	16,432	10.00%	5.50%	4.50%	739
			0.00%	0.00%	0
			0.00%	0.00%	0
			0.00%	0.00%	0
			0.00%	0.00%	0
		16,432	Average Tax >	4.50%	739

Transfer to the Incentives and Benefits Reserve [Art 36 BPA]

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TRA 25 Regulation 4 of the B. P. A. Regulations

The year of assessment when the company started to utilise the benefit is required in cell L4. The number of the certificate issued by the Malta Development Corporation has to be inserted in cell E5. An error message is displayed in cell G5 if E5 is blank.

Another mandatory field is cell L6 requiring the reduced rate of tax approved by the M.D.C. A dropdown list is available displaying only two rates [5% and 10%] for the time being. The percentage entered in this cell is transcribed to field 83b in page 5 of the tax return. An error message is displayed in cell K6 if the cell L6 is blank.

The final mandatory value is expected in cell L8 and this relates to the approved amount of profits. The value entered in this cell is transcribed to field 83a in page 5 of the tax return. If the cell is blank an error message will be displayed in cell K8.

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A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
1	Ref: 990000123 Name: DEMO company Ltd										Y/A 2002	
2	BPA - Regulation 4 - [Reduced rates of income tax]											
4	The first year [year of assessment] when the company will start, or started, utilising the benefit										<input type="text"/>	
5	Certificate Number ¹										<input type="text"/>	
6	The reduced rate of tax that is, or was, approved for the first year of the benefit										<input type="text"/>	
8	Amount of profits for the current year, that are subject to the reduced rate of income tax										<input type="text"/>	
15	Complete the following worksheet recording the movement of profits subject to reduced rates of Income Tax											
17	MOVEMENT OF PROFITS											
18	Y/A	Profits before tax			Rate of tax	Tax Thereon	Allocated to MTA		Dividends Paid			
19		Total for the year	Relieved by I.T.Cr	Not relieved			Exempt	Reduced rates	Exempt	Reduced rates		
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The second part of the attachment is a tax accounting exercise intended to keep track of profits relieved from tax by an investment tax credit as distinct from other profits taxed at a reduced rate. It also keeps track of dividends paid.

Despite all the space provided, data entry is only expected for the years of assessment indicated. For Y/A 2002 only one row of data is required! Most of the exercise is automated and the input fields are self-explanatory and should not pose any particular problems.

TRA 26 Regulation 6 of the B. P. A. Regulations

The year of assessment when the company started to utilise the benefit is required in cell L4. A blank cell is indicated by a message in K4.

Input in cell L6 is also mandatory, requiring the reduced rate of tax approved by the M.D.C. A dropdown list is available displaying again only two rates [5% and 10%]. An error message is displayed in cell K6 if the cell L6 is blank.

The company's first year of assessment is required in cell L8, with a corresponding message in K8 to indicate an empty field. The inception date is required to activate cells and execute calculations for the base period.

Similarly, the number of years approved for the benefit has to be included in cell L10, with the empty field indicator in K10.

The number of the certificate issued by the Malta Development Corporation has to be inserted in cell K13. If this cell is left blank an error message is displayed in cell I13.

The worksheet determines the years for the base period. If the inception date in cell L8 is blank or if the company was not in existence during the base period, the input cells in the cell range D21:K25 are dimmed. A missing inception date will be indicated [cells L21:L23] if any values are present in the input cells for the base period.

No input field can be left blank for the base period and the relevant period. A '0' should indicate null values. Empty cells will be indicated by messages in cell L19 for the base period and cell K27 for the relevant period.

Once all the required data is inserted, the worksheet works out the maximum profit that can be taxed under this Regulation [cell L30] on the basis of the prescribed formula to calculate the value added incentive. That part of the income that is taxed elsewhere [e.g. under Article 6 of the BPA] has to be indicated in cell L31. The worksheet will now return the income that will be taxed under this regulation [cell L32] and the tax [cell L36]. The minimum tax has to be inserted in the mandatory input field cell L37.

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with the following structure:

- Row 1:** Ref: 990000123 Name: DEMO company Ltd Y/A 2002
- Row 2:** **BPA - Regulation 6 - [Value added incentive scheme]**
- Row 4:** Please indicate the first year [Y/A] when the company will start, or started, utilising the benefit
- Row 6:** Please state the reduced rate of tax that is, or was, applied during the first year of the benefit
- Row 8:** Please state the year of incorporation expressed as the company's first year of assessment
- Row 10:** Please state the minimum period [NUMBER OF YEARS] for the benefit approved by MDC
- Row 12:** Attachments required
- Row 13:** 1) Certificate issued by the MDC [Regulation 6 (1) second proviso] Certificate Number
- Row 15:** 2) The declarations required by Regulation 4 (7)
- Row 17:** 3) Please complete the following worksheet to derive the profits subject to reduced rates of Income Tax
- Row 19-25:** Table for Base Period data:

Base Period	Sales	Profit before tax	Wages & Salaries	SSC - Employer's share	Cost of Services	Value Added	Chargeable Income from Trade...	Tax suffered on trading-income
Y/A								
1999						0		
1998						0		
1997						0		
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Averages	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- Row 27:** Relevant Period
- Row 29-30:** Value Added Incentive

Formula:	Maximum Profit that can be taxed under VAIS	0
(a) $\left(\frac{Vc \cdot Vb}{Vb}\right)$	Less Income taxed elsewhere	0
(b) $\left(\frac{Sc \cdot Sb}{Sb}\right)$	Income taxed under Regulation 6 -VAIS	0
(c) $(Pc \cdot Pb)$	Tax Rate	0%
	Tax	0
	Minimum Tax	
- Row 38-40:** (a) = 1, (b) = 1, (c) = 0
- Row 50:** MOVEMENT OF PROFITS TAXED UNDER REG. 6

The worksheet will now copy the result in cell L32 to field 84a [page 5 of the tax return] and the tax rate in L35 to field 84b. The resulting tax in L36 is transcribed to field 84c of the return, if it is higher than the minimum tax in

L37. If the minimum tax is higher than the resulting tax, field 84c will be indicated by a '0', whilst the value in L37 is posted to field 85a of the return.

The bottom part of the attachment is another part of the tax accounting exercise to keep track of the movement of profits under this regulation. Again data entry is expected in those rows where the year of assessment is indicated

TRA 27 ITA – Income taxed at Double Taxation Treaty rates

This worksheet calculates the tax on income based on DT treaty rates. The income value is mandatory [cell K5] and if left blank a message is displayed in cell L5.

The worksheet apportions the income value according to the percentage shareholding indicated anywhere in cells G9:G24. The total percentage shareholding must be equal to 100%. If the 100% shareholding test is not satisfied a message is displayed in cell F25.

This implies that any Maltese shareholders must also be included indicating their %holding and the tax rate at 35%. The worksheet will automatically exclude all income taxable at 35% for the purpose of this exercise. However, that part of the income taxable at 35% must be entered, together with any other income chargeable at the same rate, in field 94a of the return [page 5].

All the details must be entered in the cell range B9:I24 even the new shareholder indicator [dropdown lists with a Yes or No in cells H9:H124]. Any message displayed in cells L9:L24 indicates missing details in the particular row.

The worksheet will post the income figure derived in cell J25 to field 89a of the return [page 5]. It will also calculate the average tax and transcribes it to field 89b.

The bottom part of the worksheet is a part of the tax accounting exercise that keeps track of income taxed at double taxation treaty rates and dividends paid. Cell H46 will display a message where no data is inputted in this part of the attachment.

If a value is present in C20 [soft loans], data input is expected in cells H21 and H22. If the computed result in cell H23 is not equal to the value entered in C20 an error message is displayed in cell G20.

In the next part [cell range B29:E34] you have to indicate the income and the tax rate to ascertain the tax that stands to be relieved by the investment tax credit. Any missing data for any row will be indicated in cells G29:G34. Input first the income chargeable at the lowest rate, followed by the second lower, and so. It is imperative that you follow this chronology.

The next part works out the utilisation of the investment tax credit. A maximum of four values are inputted in this part. The rest is catered for by the worksheet. For the year of assessment 2002 input is restricted to cell F41 where you indicate the amount of tax credit that is being deferred for utilisation in later years. Such amount is not inflated by 7%.

The resulting tax credit utilised during the current year [cell F44] is posted in field 102a of the tax return [page 5].

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with the following content:

- Row 1:** Ref: 990000123 Name: DEMO company Ltd Y/A 2002
- Row 2:** BPA - Regulation 5 - [Investment Tax Credit]
- Row 4:** Certificate issued by MDC - Ref: [input field]
- Row 6:** Does the company qualify as an SME? [input field] Maximum rate for investment projects [input field]
- Row 8:** Amount of qualifying expenditure [Regulation 5 (1) (a)] [input field]
- Row 9:** Amount of wage costs [Regulation 5 (1) (b)] [input field]
- Row 10:** Investment Tax Credit calculated as a percentage of: [input field] 0
- Row 12:** Date on which assets pertaining to the investment project are first employed by the company [input field]
- Row 14:** Date of completion of the investment project [input field]
- Row 16:** Commencement of the employment qualifying period [input field]
- Row 18:** Maximum Aid for investment projects [Regulations 12 and 18] [input field] 0
- Row 19:** BPA - Regulation 5 [Investment Tax Credit] [input field]
- Row 20:** BPA - Regulation 8 [Soft Loans] [input field]
- Row 21:** BPA - Regulation 9 [Loan Interest Subsidies] [input field]
- Row 22:** BPA - Article 6 [Reduced Rates of Tax] [input field]
- Row 23:** BPA - Article 7 [Investment Allowance] [input field]
- Row 24:** BPA - Article 24B [Reduced Rate of Tax - Hotels] [input field]
- Row 25:** BPA - Article 24C [Grant by Minister's Approval] [input field]
- Row 26:** [input field] 0
- Table (Rows 28-34):**

Chargeable income and tax thereon from activities referred to in regulation 4(3) [Indicate Act and Article or Regulation number]	Chargeable Income	Tax Rate [%] ¹	Tax Thereon
- Row 35:** Total Tax that can be relieved for the year [input field] 0
- Row 36:** Note 1: You have to enter the reduced rates in chronological order starting from the lowest rate first.
- Row 37:** Investment Tax Credit [input field]
- Row 38:** Deferred [input field] Inflated 7% [input field]
- Row 39:** Investment Tax Credit for the year [above] [input field] 0
- Row 41:** Deferred Investment Tax Credit [input field] 0
- Row 42:** Investment tax credit utilised during the current year [input field] 0
- Row 44:** Investment tax credit utilised during the current year [input field] 0

The bottom part is fully automated and returns the chargeable income relieved by the investment tax credit.

TRA 30 Relief of Double Taxation

In this worksheet data entry is restricted to values representing the relief under any of the three forms for each source of income. The part relating to the flat rate foreign tax credit is derived from the different attachments. The tax account must always be indicated; otherwise a message is displayed in cell E19.

Any resulting values in cells C21:D23 are posted to fields 104a to 106b accordingly. The result in cell D24 is transcribed to field 107a of the tax return [page5].

Ref: 990000123 Name: DEMO company Ltd Y/A 2002										
Relief of double taxation										
Source of Income	Attachment / Return reference	Double Taxation Relief	Taxed A/c	C'wealth Relief	Taxed A/c	Unilateral Relief	Taxed A/c	Flat-Rate Foreign Tax Credit	Taxed A/c	
ITA - Income from trade, business...	Ret. pg. 3							0	FIA	
ITA - Dividend(s)	TRA 08							0	FIA	
ITA - Interest(s)	TRA 09							200	FIA	
ITA - Discounts or premiums	TRA 10							0	FIA	
ITA - Income from Rent(s)	TRA 11							0	FIA	
ITA - Income from Ground Rent(s)	TRA 12							0	FIA	
ITA - Income from Royalties, etc.	TRA 13							0	FIA	
ITA - Other income	TRA 14							0	FIA	
ITA - Capital gain gains	TRA 15							0	FIA	
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	MTA	FIA								
Double Taxation Relief	0	0								
Commonwealth Relief	0	0								
Unilateral Relief	0	0								
Flat-Rate Foreign Tax Credit		200								
TOTALS	0	200								
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Is attachment complete?										
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TRA 31 Tax paid

All receipt details including the number, date and the amount paid, are required. The tax account for the allocation of each receipt is mandatory. An error message in cell D59 denotes missing tax accounts.

The receipt totals in G59 and H59 are copied to fields 112a and 112b in page 5 of the tax return.

Ref: 990000123		Name: DEMO company Ltd			Y/A 2002	
Receipt No	Receipt Date	Amount	Taxed A/c	Allocated		
				MTA	FIA	
Q14899	03/02/2000	225	MTA	225		
R04092	01/03/2000	126	MTA	126		
R08812	16/03/2000	559	MTA	559		
R13338	05/04/2000	220	FIA		220	
R17014	18/04/2000	220	FIA		220	
R17333	18/04/2000	220	MTA	220		
R17187	19/04/2000	68				
R17198	19/04/2000	220				
			MTA			
			FIA			

The Tax Return

The electronic filing version of the return retains the main features comprised within the manual version. The major difference lies in pages 4 and 5 where many field data represents results and calculations transcribed from the tax return attachments. Consequently most of the conditional formatting and certain data input validations have been removed.

The following are the salient validations present in the electronic version of the company tax return.

Page 1

There are four mandatory fields in page 1:

- ❑ the reference number [cell L8] - a validation is present on data entry to ensure that a valid 9 digit number has been entered.
- ❑ the company name [cell L10];
- ❑ the year of assessment [cell L12] - a validation is present to endorse that the year indicated, in 4 digit format, is not less than 2002; and
- ❑ the currency [all values in the workbook are expressed in the currency indicated on page 1].

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Income Tax Return and Self Assessment

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Note: The original bar-coded return issued by the Department, MUST be signed and filed. Other versions will not be accepted.

on behalf of a Company, a Body Corporate established by Statute, or a Trading or Commercial Undertaking operated by an Entity (Section 30) whether resident in Malta or not

Ref. No. 990000123
 Name DEMO company Ltd
 Year of Assessment 2002
 Basis Year 2001

MAKE SURE THAT THE CORRECT DETAILS ARE ENTERED. DATA WILL BE

1 Partnership Number 2 VAT Number

3 Main Trading Activity

4 Address
of registered office / place of control, management and administration

Tel. Number Fax Number

5 Names and address/es of establishments from which business activities are carried on

Name	Address
1	1
2	2
3	3
4	4

6 Accounting Date

If the basis year in respect of which this return is being made is a period other than the 1st January to 31st December, state the period covered, date and number (if available) of the permit issued by the IRD

FROM	TO	Permit Number	Date Issued
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

7 Currency

State the Currency used in this return and the financial statements in accordance with the denomination of the company's share capital

Choose Currency!
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These four fields are mandatory as they update the rest of the workbook. The other input cells are required to the extent that they are applicable to the company.

Page 2

This part of the return has to be fully filled in. Nearly all cells in this sheet are validated to ensure that no fields are blank. Any message displayed adjacent to the input cells indicates the presence of empty fields. If the message appears in cell A60, the sheet is not ready for export.

The answers entered in this questionnaire will determine what the rest of the return will expect. For example, if a company states that it is not claiming any benefits under the Business Promotion Act [first question under paragraph 8 – taxation data], and claims an investment allowance a message will be displayed in cell F15, page 4!

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1	Ref: 990000123	Name: DEMO company Ltd			Y/A	2002					
2	BACK TO INDEX										
3	Part 1 - Company Details							TA2 Manual V_2.01			
4	8 Taxation Data										
5	(mark (Y)es or (N)o as appropriate)										
6	State whether the Company										
7	1	is claiming benefits under the Business Promotion Act (Cap. 325)									<input type="checkbox"/>
8	2	is claiming other fiscal benefits [legislation other than the BPA or the ITA]									<input type="checkbox"/>
9	3	is claiming any scientific research expenditure									<input type="checkbox"/>
10	4	operates a foreign income account									<input type="checkbox"/>
11	5	is an International Trading Company as defined in the Income Tax Act									EMPTY FIELD !
12	6	is owned in whole or in part by non-resident shareholders									EMPTY FIELD !
13	7	is related to other companies									EMPTY FIELD !
14	8	forms part of a group as defined in section 16 of the Income Tax Act									EMPTY FIELD !
15	9	has paid out dividends during the year									EMPTY FIELD !
16	10	has carried out trading activities during the year									EMPTY FIELD !
17	11	was engaged in more than one trading activity during the year									EMPTY FIELD !
18	12	is in liquidation									EMPTY FIELD !
19	13	if the answer to 12 is yes, state whether the final scheme of distribution is attached									EMPTY FIELD !
20	14	has any investments in joint venture(s) or partnership(s)									EMPTY FIELD !
22	Other Information										
23	Please indicate the average number of persons employed during the accounting period										
25	Please indicate in the space provided the PE number(s) under which wages, salaries, emoluments etc. paid by the company, have been reported. If you reported wages, salaries, etc. under more than three PE numbers, please attach the whole list.										
29	9 Financial Statements										
30	A Preparation and Audit										
31	(mark (Y)es or (N)o as appropriate)										

Page 3

This part of the return has to be filled in properly and accurately. Error messages will be displayed in other parts of the return, if the data in page 2 is not compatible with other data entered or derived in the remaining parts of the return.

	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	
1	990000123	DEMO company Ltd			Y/A	2002				
2	BACK TO INDEX									
3	PART 2 - ADJUSTMENT OF PROFIT PER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR TAX PURPOSES							TA2 Manual V_2.01		
4	Item Description				Attachment					
6	Net Profit / (Loss) before tax as per financial statements				Income Stat	1a	12,532	12,532		
7	<i>Add back</i>									
8	Depreciation charge for the year					2a	1,650			
9	Amortisation of intangible assets					3a				
10	Realised losses on disposal of fixed assets <i>[Please specify below]</i>					4a	233	Description ?		
11						5a				
12						6a				
14	Expenditure deductible against other sources of income <i>[Please specify below]</i>					7a				
15						8a				
16						9a				
17						10a				
19	Expenditure disallowed for tax purposes <i>[Please specify below]</i>					11a				
20						12a				
21						13a				
22						14a				
24	Provisions <i>[Please specify below]</i>					15a				
25						16a				
26						17a				
28	Other add-backs <i>[Please specify below]</i>					18a				
29						19a				
30						20a				
31						21a	1,883			
32	<i>Sub-total > add up values reported under fields 2a to 20a</i>					22a	14,415			
33	<i>Sub-total > add up values in fields 1a and 21a</i>									
34	<i>Deduct</i>									
35	Realised profits on disposal of fixed assets <i>[Please specify below]</i>					23a				
36						24a				
37						25a				
38	Part of profit chargeable under other articles of the Income Tax Act									
39	Article 4(3)(c), Dividends, Interests, Discounts or Premiums									

Cell I6 returns the value entered in TIFD code 7050 Net Income or loss on Ordinary activities before tax. **NOTE THAT FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE TAX RETURN NEGATIVE SIGN DENOTES A LOSS AND A POSITIVE SIGN IS SYNONYMOUS WITH A PROFIT.**

When the message 'Description!' appears anywhere under column H, a brief narrative of the adjustment is required. This message is displayed whenever a value is entered without a corresponding item description.

Item Description	Attachment	Value
Sub-total > add up values reported under fields 2a to 20a		1,883
Sub-total > add up values in fields 1a and 21a		14,415
Realised profits on disposal of fixed assets		
Part of profit chargeable under other articles of the Income Tax Act		
ITA - Article 14(1)(h) - Scientific Research - 20% increase over cost	TRA.01	0
BPA - Regulation 13 - Incentive for job creation	TRA.02	0
Other statutory inflation of expenditure		
Act >	TRA.03	0
Sub-total > add up values reported in fields 23a to 34a		0
Sub-total > deduct result in field 35a from the result in field 22a		14,415
Income / (loss) before capital allowances	37a	14,415
Grossed up amount for flat rate foreign tax credit	38a	
Income / (loss) before capital allowances [Article 4(1) (a) of the ITA]	39a	14,415

Fields 37a and / or 37b are mandatory. If the sum total of these two fields is not equal to the computed value in field 36a, an error message is displayed in cell B58. The grossed up element for the flat rate foreign tax credit, attributable to income chargeable under Article 4(1) a of the Income Tax Act, has to be entered in field 38a.

The computed result in fields 39a and 39b will be copied to fields 40a and 40b in page 4.

Page 4

Most of the validations in the tax computation are tied to the data entered in pages 2 and 3 of the return. Generally the data in this page is transcribed from the different attachments. Where this is the case there is a hyperlink to the source sheet. Certain validations are also present on derived data.

Data input is restricted to the following fields:

Field(s)	Description	Validation type
42a/42b	Capital Allowances b/f	Input - negative value required
47a/47b	Capital Allowances absorbed	Input <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. positive value required b. value cannot exceed income c. value cannot exceed total capital allowances

Fields 47a and 47b are mandatory to the extent that values are present in fields 42a/42b to 46a/46b. The user has to determine and input the amount of capital allowances that will be absorbed for the year. If these fields are left blank a message appears in cell H19 'Value!'.

58a/58b	Capital losses b/f	Input - negative value required
69a/69b	Unabsorbed group loss b/f	Input - negative value required
74a/74b	Unabsorbed losses b/f	Input - negative value required
77a/77b	Chargeable income	Input - positive value required
78a/78b	Unabsorbed losses c/f	Input - negative value required

These last four fields are mandatory. Two other validations are present on fields 77a, 77b, 78a and 78b and a message is displayed in cell B54:

1. if the required fields are blank; or
2. if the sum total of the 4 fields is not equal to the computed sum total that is displayed in cells O54 and R54.

ITA Article	Description	Attachment required	Maltese Taxed Account [total]	Foreign Income Account [total]
4(1)(a)	Income/(loss) from trade, business, etc. after tax adjustments but before capital allowances [Copy here the result(s) obtained in field(s) 39 on page 3]		40a 14,415	40b 0
	Balancing charge	TRA04	41a 0	41b 0
	Capital Allowances Brought forward		42a (100)	42b
	Income Tax Act - Wear & Tear	TRA 05	43a 0	43b 0
	BPA [Article 7] - Investment Allowance	TRA 06	44a 0	44b 0
	BPA [Article 8] - Accelerated Depreciation	TRA 07	45a 0	45b 0
	Balancing allowance(s)	TRA 04	46a 0	46b 0
	Capital allowances absorbed	Value !	47a	47b
	Unabsorbed capital allowances c/f		48a (100)	48b 0
	Income from trade, business, etc. net of capital allowances / (Loss)		49a 14,415	49b 0
4(1)(c)	Dividend(s)	TRA 08	50a 0	50b 0
	Interest(s) Check field 26a!	TRA 09	51a 1,250	51b 1,000
	Discounts or premiums	TRA 10	52a 0	52b 0
	Net Income from Rent(s)	TRA 11	53a 0	53b 0
4(1)(e)	Net Income from Ground Rent(s)	TRA 12	54a 0	54b 0
	Net income from Royalties, etc.	TRA 13	55a 0	55b 0
4(1)(g)	Other income	TRA 14	56a 0	56b 0
	Net income/(loss)		57a 15,665	57b 1,000
5	Capital loss brought forward		58a	58b
	Capital gain/(loss) - current year	TRA 15	59a 0	59b 0
	Capital gains charged for the year		60a 0	60b 0
	Unabsorbed capital loss c/f		61a 0	61b 0
	Net income/(Loss) before Exemptions		62a 15,665	62b 1,000

A whole range of other validations is present on data transcribed from the different attachments.

Cell	Message	Reason
E11	No asset disposals	Balancing charge results and no asset disposals reported on page 3 of the return [i.e. no profit or loss on disposals of assets reported]
E14	Check field 2a!	There has been no add-back of depreciation charged for the year in page 3 of the return and there are capital allowances for the year. If there are no add-backs, just insert a 0 in field 2a.
F15	No BPA page 2	A 'No' was given as an answer in page 2 [Section 8 of part 1 Question 1]
F16	No BPA page 2	A No was given as an answer in page 2 [Section 8 of part 1 Question 1]
E17	No asset disposals	Balancing allowance results and no asset disposals reported on page 3 of the return [i.e. no profit or loss on disposals of assets reported]

E22	Check field 26a	Investment income results in page 4 when no such income has been indicated in field 26a page3.
E23	Check field 26a	
E24	Check field 26a	
E25	Check field 27a	Income is reported from these sources when field 27a in page 3 is blank [i.e. any trading income under Article 4(1)(a) not adjusted for income from other sources]
E26	Check field 27a	
E27	Check field 27a	
E28	Check field 28a	Other income is included in page 4 and no such income adjusted in field 28a page 3
E32	Set-off effected	For information purposes only. Set-off automatically carried out by worksheet when one tax account is positive and the other is negative.
E35	CHECK!!!	Emphasises that there is something wrong with the result derived in field 63a or 63b. Exempt income in two fields cannot exceed the values in 62a and / or 62b. [See note below *]
E36	No incentives page2	The company answered No to the first two questions in page 2 Section 8 Part 1
E40	CHECK!!! [related to N40 & N41 below]	Emphasises that there is something wrong with the result derived in field 67a or 67b. [See note below *]
N40 & Q40	Check! No Loss!	Loss surrendered exceeds actual loss! There are no losses to surrender!

*** THE TAX COMPUTATION AND THE SELF-ASSESSMENT DETERMINATION WILL BE BASED ON ERRONEOUS DATA IF NO CORRECTION IS EFFECTED!**

E45	No Group Relief page 2!	The company is claiming losses under the group loss relief provisions when it stated that it does not form part of a group in question 8 of Section 8 of Part 1, page 2.
N40	No Group Relief page 2!	
Q40	No Group Relief page 2!	

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A good part of the self-assessment computation is derived from other attachments. Input validations are present and most of them relate to the sign. Indeed positive values are required for all input fields except fields 115a and 115b [tax refundable].

There are other checks on data inputted and messages would be displayed to denote missing or incorrect data input. The following are the salient validations:

Cell	Message	Reason
D18 J18	Amount Rate	No value entered in field 87a No tax rate indicated in field 87b
D21 J21	Amount Rate	No value entered in field 90a No tax rate indicated in field 90b
D22	51a Blank	No income reported in this field in Page 4 of the return
D23 J23	Amount Rate	No value entered in field 92a No tax rate indicated in field 92b
D24 D25 J25	Description Amount Rate	Act description in cell C25 left blank No value entered in field 93a No tax rate indicated in field 93b
D32 J32	Amount Rate	No value entered in field 96a No tax rate indicated in field 96b
D33 J33	Amount Rate	No value entered in field 97a No tax rate indicated in field 97b
D34 D35 J35	Description Amount Rate	Act description in cell C35 left blank No value entered in field 98a No tax rate indicated in field 98b
B27 B37	The error message, if displayed, is self-explanatory. The validations for each tax account ensure that the data input is complete and correct and ready for export.	

Once there are no errors displayed in cells B27 and B37 the user can proceed with the remaining inputs, namely tax credits, relief, tax set-offs, etc.

Cell	Message	Reason
G44	CHECK!!!	The investment tax credit resulting from TRA29 exceeds the total tax that can be relieved [field 101a]. This means that there is something wrong with the chargeable income and the tax rate indicated in the cell range D29:E34 in TRA29.

Note that there are built-in checks in field 103a of Page 5 that will return a 0 if the computed value in field 102a is more than the result in 101a! No refund can result from an Investment Tax Credit!

D52	Refund!	This message is displayed if a negative amount is entered in either of fields 108a or 108b. An input validation is also present on these two latter fields and a pop-up window warns the user that the value entered does not agree with the expected value displayed in cells G52 or H52.
G54	CHECK!	<p>The value inputted in fields 109a or 109b is either negative, or no dividend income is reported in fields 50a or 50b in page 4 or TAS claimed may be excessive in relation to gross dividends declared.</p> <p>An input validation is also present to check the value entered. However, the pop-up window just displays a warning and the worksheet will accept the value inputted if the user opts to continue! The remaining part of the self-assessment will be based on the values entered in these two fields!</p>

Data input in fields 114a, 114b, 115a and 115b is mandatory. The expected sum total of the four fields is displayed in grey in cell G63. An error message is displayed in cell B66 if any of these mandatory fields is left blank, or if the sum total of the values inputted does not agree with the expected value in G63!

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1	Ref: 990000123 Name: DEMO company Ltd								Y/A	2002
2	BACK TO INDEX									
3	SECTION 2 - SELF ASSESSMENT COMPUTATION					TA2 Manual V_2.01				
5					MTA		FIA			
7	Chargeable Income for the year			79a	25,665		79b	1,000		
9	MALTESE TAXED ACCOUNT			Attachment required	Income	Tax rate %	Tax			
11	BPA - Article 5a (Inv. Incentive Scheme)			TRA 22	80a	0	80b	0.00	80c	0
12	BPA - Article 6 (Reduced Rate of Tax)			TRA 23	81a	16,432	81b	4.50	81c	739
13	BPA - Article 24B (Red. Rates of Tax - Hotels)			TRA 24	82a	0	82b	0.00	82c	0
14	BPA - Regulation 4 (Reduced Rates of Income Tax)			TRA 25	83a	0	83b	0.00	83c	0
15	BPA - Regulation 6 (Value Added Incentive Scheme)			TRA 26	84a	0	84b	0.00	84c	0
16	BPA - Regulation 6 (Minimum Tax)			TRA 26					85a	0
17	MFSC Act - Article 30				86a		86b	5.00	86c	0
18	ITA - Article 56(7) (Collective Investment Scheme)				87a		87b		87c	0
19	ITA - Article 56(8) (Dividends from ITC's)				88a		88b	27.50	88c	0
20	ITA - Article 56(20) (Double Taxation Treaties)			TRA 27	89a	6,777	89b	15.00	89c	1,017
21	Stock Exchange Act - Article 31				90a		90b		90c	0
22	Investment income subject to 15% withholding tax				91a		91b	15.00	91c	0
23	Dividends not subject to further tax				92a		92b		92c	0
24	Other income at reduced rates of tax:									
25	Act			yes	93a		93b		93c	0
26	Income subject to normal rate of tax				94a		94b	35.00	94c	0
27	AMOUNT in 79a <> TO THE SUM TOTAL OF FIELDS 80a TO 94a!				95a	23,209			95b	1,756
30	FOREIGN INCOME ACCOUNT				Income	Tax rate %	Tax			
32	ITA - Section 56(7) (Collective Investment Scheme)				96a		96b		96c	0
33	Dividends not subject to further tax				97a		97b		97c	0
34	Other income at reduced rates of tax:									
35	Act			yes	98a		98b		98c	0
36	Income subject to normal rate of tax				99a	1,000	99b	35.00	99c	350
37	TOTALS				100a	1,000			100b	350
42	Total Tax due				101a	1,756			101b	350

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35	Act			yes	98a		98b		98c	0
36	Income subject to normal rate of tax				99a	1,000	99b	35.00	99c	350
37	TOTALS				100a	1,000			100b	350
42	Total Tax due				101a	1,756			101b	350
43	Deduct				102a	0				
44	BPA - Regulation 5 (Investment Tax Credit)			TRA 29	102a	0				
46	Tax due after deducting the investment tax credit				103a	1,756				
47	Relief of double taxation			TRA 30						
48	Double Taxation Relief				104a	0			104b	0
49	Commonwealth Relief				105a	0			105b	0
50	Unilateral Relief				106a	0			106b	0
51	Flat-Rate Foreign Tax Credit				107a	200			107a	200
52	Tax chargeable				108a	1,756	150		108b	150
53	Tax set off									
54	Tax at source on dividends			TRA 08	109a				109b	
55	15% withholding tax on investment income			TRA 09	110a	0				
56	Total Tax Set off				111a	0			111b	0
58	Tax paid			TRA 31	112a	1,418			112b	440
60	Total Tax Payments				113a	1,418			113b	440
63	TAX BALANCE DUE IN TERMS OF SECTION 42 OF THE ITMA				114a	338			114b	0
65	TAX REFUNDABLE IN TERMS OF SECTION 48 OF THE ITMA				115a	0			115b	(290)

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The tax accounting exercise has a number of input validations to regulate signs [+ or -] and to ensure that the whole exercise makes sense. It does not allow the input of negative values for undistributed profits brought forward and profits for the current year allocated to the foreign income account and to the Maltese taxed account.

It does neither permit the input of dividends paid expressed in positive amounts or dividends that exceed the sum total of the profit b/fwd and the profit for the current year in each respective row. This means that the computed totals in fields 116d to 133d can never be negative. The amount of dividends paid out is expected in fields 116c to 135c. Any proposed dividends should be reported in field 137a!

FIELDS 135a, 135b AND 135c ARE MANDATORY. An error message is displayed in cell I49 if any of these fields is blank. The protected field 135d returns the net sum total of the three fields. Any result yielded in field 136c reflects the balance of undistributable reserves at year-end.

Field 138a returns the total reserves figure derived by adding fields 135d and 136c and deducting any input in field 137a [proposed dividends]. The result yielded in field 138a **MUST** be equal to the derived Total Reserves figure in the Balance Sheet under TIFD code 3950 Total Reserves [cell G253 or H253]. If these figures do not agree an error message is displayed in cell W55 – Check Balance Sheet!

The bottom part of the exercise has to be completed if dividends have been paid during the year in which case data input is mandatory and expected in any of the fields 139a to 139e. Please note that the Gross amount of dividends is required in these fields and if no input is effected an error message is displayed in cell K64.

The statutory deductions and imputable tax is expected [as appropriate] in fields 140a to 145b such that the computed result returned in field 146f is equal to the amount inputted in field 135c. If the figures do not agree an error message to this effect is displayed in cell K82!

Any further tax deducted from the dividends [e.g. topping up and withholding tax on untaxed dividend] must be indicated in fields 147a to 149a to get the amount of net dividend effectively received by the shareholders in cell 150a. The result derived in this cell is used to validate data in the next page.

PART 4 - RECORD OF RETAINED PROFITS AND DISTRIBUTIONS										TA2 Manual V_2.01	
8	Income having suffered tax @	15 %	123a	123b	123c	123d	0				
9	Income having suffered tax @	25 %	124a	124b							
10	Income having suffered tax @	32.5 %	125a	125b							
11	Income having suffered tax @	35 %	126a	19,254	126b	-1,459					
12	Income having suffered tax @	37.5 %	127a		127b						
13	Income having suffered tax @	128a %	128b		128c	128d		128e	0		
14	Income having suffered tax @	129a %	129b		129c	129d		129e	0		
15	Income having suffered tax @	130a %	130b		130c	130d		130e	0		
16	Exempt profits		131a		131b	131c		131d	0		
17	Income allocated to the Incentives & Benefits Reserve		132a		132b	132c		132d	0		
18	Total of lines 6 to 17		133a	19,254	133b	-1,459	133c	0		133d 17,795	
19	UNTAXED ACCOUNT		134a	(4,731)	134b	26,854	134c	0		134d 22,123	
20	Total distributable profits		135a	14,523	135b	25,395	135c	0		135d 39,918	
21	Total undistributable reserves		136a		136b					136c 0	
22	Less proposed dividends as per balance sheet									137a	
TOTAL RESERVES										138a 39,918	

DIVIDENDS PAID DURING THE YEAR	Foreign Income Account		Maltese Taxed Account		Untaxed Account	Total
	Participating Holding	Other	Exempt	Other		
Gross distribution	139a	139b	139c	139d	139e	139f 0
Deduct						
1 Unrelieved foreign tax	140a	140b		140c		140d 0
2 Malta tax charged, analysed as:						
2a Malta tax after rel. of double taxation	141a	141b		141c		141d 0
2b Double taxation relief	142a	142b		142c		142d 0

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This page of the return should pose no problems. Most of the data relating to shareholders' and directors' details is already posted in the case of electronic filers. This is the official data obtained from the Registrar of Companies. You are only required to select a 'No' from the dropdown lists if a person indicated in the return is no longer a shareholder or director of the company. The default is set to 'Yes'.

For each shareholder you are required to indicate:

- the number and class of shares held;
- the amount of gross dividend if any, and tax withheld; and
- the account balances held with the company at year end.

The sum total of net dividends paid to all shareholders [cell U35] is matched to field 150a in page 5. If the amounts disagree an error message is displayed in cell B35.

There may be instances where shareholder(s) or director(s) are not indicated in the personalised return in which case the user has to input the registration number and name. An error message is also displayed for each missing shareholder's or director's tax registration number. It is expected that the correct ID number of an individual shareholder or the tax registration number

in the case of a company, is quoted. The correct ROC number will also do in the latter instance.

The only exception to this rule is where a person [shareholder or director] is not resident or domiciled in Malta, and has no income arising, in Malta. In such instances you can mark the space allocated for the registration number as 'N/A'.

In the case of directors you should clearly distinguish between wages and salaries paid to directors' from director's fees, and report under the appropriate heading.

Income Tax Registration Number	Name	Indicate by a NO all persons who are no longer shareholders (default Yes)	Number of Shares held	Class of Shares	Gross Dividend	Tax Withheld	Account Balances with Company
123456P	John Gatt	Yes	50	Ord			
45666M	Patrick Gatt	Yes	50	Ord			
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					
		Yes					

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The mandatory data input in this sheet is highlighted in white fonts on a red background.