

# South African Revenue Service

Dear Stakeholder

#### PERSONAL INCOME TAX: AUTO REGISTRATION WILL BE INITIATED FROM OCTOBER 2022

As the South African Revenue Service (SARS) celebrates its 25th anniversary, we are committed to improving our service offering and enhancing our systems and processes to make compliance easy and seamless.

## Who can be auto registered?

Automatic registration will be initiated for Personal Income Tax for an individual that is not registered for tax, but SARS detects 3rd party data that indicates economic activity. The person is automatically registered by SARS in terms of section 22(5) of the Tax Administration Act (Act No. 28 of 2011 as amended).

## Registration for other tax products

Please note that this registration is for Personal Income Tax (PIT) purposes only. If the autoregistered taxpayer is a sole proprietor, he or she may have to register for other tax products like PAYE for an employer, Value Added Tax for a vendor, and Customs and/or Excise if they are a trader in that field.

#### Notification to the auto-registered taxpayer

SARS will send an SMS and a letter to such an individual, officially welcoming them as a registered taxpayer and informing them of how to access our services and what their rights and obligations are.

### What is next after registration?

It is important for newly registered taxpayers to register for eFiling, as this is the most efficient way to file a tax return, view assessment results, make payments, and manage many other tax matters.

#### **More Information**

More details regarding our channels, office hours, services, tailored information regarding Personal Income Tax, as well as a comprehensive FAQ repository are available on the SARS website: <a href="https://www.sars.gov.za">www.sars.gov.za</a>

Sincerely,

# THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE

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