Foreign income checklist

Use this questionnaire if your client is a New Zealand resident who may have foreign income. Read it in conjunction with IR1247 Foreign Income Guide.

In general, New Zealand tax residents pay tax on their worldwide income whether or not that income has been repatriated or tax has been deducted by the other country. Your client's tax residency status and double tax agreements may affect how income is taxed. Foreign tax credits are usually limited to the lower of the amount paid or New Zealand tax payable.

New Zealand has information exchange agreements with many countries. If your client needs to make a voluntary disclosure, see SPS 19/02.

Identifying details					
Name:	IRD number:		Date of b	oirth:	
Residency status					
Start date as a New Zealand tax resident:		End date as a New Zo	ealand tax resi	dent:	
Change in tax residency during income year:	Y / N	Transitional resident:	Y / N	Opted out:	Y / N
Dual resident: Y / N Other country:		Tax resi	dence for DTA	u	
Other relevant double tax agreements:					

Transitional residents

If your client or their partner has applied for Working for Families Tax Credits, used the exemption before or opted out they are not eligible to be a transitional resident.

Foreign employment income and foreign income from services are not covered by the transitional residency exemption.

Foreign income from services:	Start date:	End date:	
Foreign employment income:	Y/N		

Income from financial arrangements/excepted financial arrangements:

Financial arrangements e.g. fo	oreign curren	cy bank accounts, term	n deposits,	loans,	Y / N	
Excepted financial arrangeme	nts e.g. varia	ble principal debt instr	uments:	Y / N		
Interest received or accrued:	Y / N	Cash basis person:	Y / N	Base	price adjustment required:	Y /

Income from equity:					
Shares in foreign companies under 10%:	Y / N	Shares in foreign o	companies 10% and over:	Y / N	
Foreign companies are controlled foreign c	ompanies:	Y / N			
Exemptions apply from the FIF rules e.g. AS	X-listed compa	nnies: Y/N Ex	cemptions apply from the CI	FC rules: Y / N	1
Total cost of all FIF interests over \$50,000:	Y/N	Dividends received	d: Y/N		
Gains from shares not subject to the FIF an	d CFC rules e.g	. trading: Y / N	Disclosure required:	Y/N	
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Income from foreign superannuation schemes	
Interest in scheme acquired as a tax resident: Y / N	
Interest in scheme acquired as a non-tax resident and FIF rules applied correctly since 2014: Y / N	
Disclosure required: Y / N Total cost of FIF interests over \$50,000: Y / N Pensions received: Y / N	N
Lump sum withdrawals or transfers: Y / N	
Temporary exemption applies for lump sum transfers or withdrawals: Y / N	
Start date: End date:	

Other foreign income

Rents: Y / N Financial arrangements rules apply to debt financing on overseas property: Y / N
NRWT required on debt financing overseas property: Y / N
Gains from foreign property e.g. bright-line income, intention-to-sell gains, traders: Y / N
Beneficiary income or taxable distributions from a trust or estate: Y / N Royalties: Y / N
Social security pensions: Y / N Salaries / wages / commissions / director's fees: Y / N
Business / self-employment / consultancy receipts: Y / N
Foreign life insurance policies: Y / N Disclosure required: Y / N
Other e.g. trading gains from precious metals, intention-to-sell gains: Y / N