

KEY FACTS

DOUBLE TAX TREATIES

AS PART OF THE DRIVE TO PROMOTE MALTA AS A FINANCIAL SERVICES CENTRE, SUCCESSIVE MALTESE GOVERNMENTS HAVE ENCOURAGED THE CONTINUED NEGOTIATION OF VARIOUS DOUBLE TAX TREATIES (MOST OF WHICH ARE BASED ON THE OECD MODEL) WITH IMPORTANT TRADING PARTNERS AND EMERGING MARKETS TO FOSTER FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

This policy is expected to continue in the future. Once a double tax treaty has been concluded, it is transcribed into law by virtue of a ministerial decree and published via a legal notice. Thereafter the provisions of the tax treaty supersede any domestic tax provisions allowing for double tax relief to be provided.

The following table lists the countries with whom Malta has a double tax treaty in place and shows the withholding tax rates on dividends, interest and royalties when these are paid to Malta by a treaty country. In general, Malta does not apply withholding tax under domestic law to outbound dividends, interest or royalties even where a treaty allows for such tax.

COUNTRY	DIVIDENDS			INTEREST	ROYALTIES
	Minority Shareholding Rates (%)	Majority Shareholding Rates (%)	Requirement to Qualify for Major Shareholding (%)	Rates (%)	Rates (%)
ALBANIA***	15	5	25	5	5
ANDORRA***	0	0	0	0	0
ARMENIA	10	5	10	5	5
AUSTRALIA***	15	15	N/A	15	10
AUSTRIA***	15	15	N/A	5	0/10
AZERBAIJAN	8	8	N/A	8	8
BAHRAIN***	0	0	N/A	0	0
BARBADOS*,***	15	5	5	5	0/5
BELGIUM***	15	15	N/A	0/10	0/10
BOTSWANA	6	5	25	8.5	5/7.5
BULGARIA	0	0	N/A	-	-
CANADA***	15	15	N/A	15	0/10
CHINA	10	5	25	10	10
CROATIA***	5	5	N/A	0	0

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	Minority Shareholding Rates (%)	Majority Shareholding Rates (%)	Requirement to Qualify for Major Shareholding (%)	Rates (%)	Rates (%)
CURACAO**	-	-	-	-	-
CYPRUS***	15	15	N/A	10	10
CZECH REPUBLIC***	5	5	N/A	0	0
DENMARK***	15	0	25	0	0
EGYPT***	10	10	N/A	10	12
ESTONIA***	15	5	25	10	10
ETHIOPIA**	-	-	-	-	-
FINLAND***	15	5	10	0	0
FRANCE*,***	15	0	10	5	0/10
GEORGIA	-	-	-	0	0
GERMANY*	15	5	10	0	0
GHANA**	-	-	-	-	-
GREECE***	10	5	25	8	8
GUERNSEY***	0	0	N/A	0	0
HONG KONG	0	0	0	0	0
HUNGARY***	15	5	25	10	10
ICELAND***	15	5	10	0	5
INDIA***	10	10	N/A	10	10
IRELAND***	15	5	10	0	5
ISLE OF MAN***	0	0	0	0	0
ISRAEL***	15	0	10	0/5	0
ITALY*	15	15	N/A	10	0/10
JERSEY***	0	0	0	0	0
JORDAN***	10	10	N/A	10	10
KOREA (REPUBLIC OF)***	15	5	25	0/10	0

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KOSOVO	10	0	10	5	0
KUWAIT	0	0	N/A	0	10
LATVIA***	10	5	25	10	10
LEBANON*	5	5	N/A	0	51
LIBYA	15	5	10	5	5
LIECHTENSTEIN***	-	-	N/A	0	0
LITHUANIA***	15	5	25	10	10
LUXEMBOURG***	15	5	25	0	10
MALAYSIA***	-	-	N/A	0/15	15
MAURITIUS***	0	0	N/A	0	0
MEXICO	-	-	N/A	0/5/10	10
MOLDOVA	5	5	N/A	5	5
MONACO	0	0	0	0	0
MONTENEGRO	10	5	25	10	5/10
MOROCCO	10	6.5	25	10	10
NETHERLANDS***	15	5	25	10	0/10
NORWAY***	15	0	10	0	0
PAKISTAN***	-	15	20	10	0/10
POLAND*	10	0	10	5	5
PORTUGAL ***	15	10	25	10	10
QATAR***	-	-	N/A	0	5
ROMANIA***	5	5	N/A	5	5
RUSSIA*,***	10	5	N/A	5	5
SAN MARINO***	10	5	25	5	5
SAUDI ARABIA***	5	5	N/A	0	5/7

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	Minority Shareholding Rates (%)	Majority Shareholding Rates (%)	Requirement to Qualify for Major Shareholding (%)	Rates (%)	Rates (%)
SERBIA***	10	5	25	10	5/10
SINGAPORE*,***	-	-	N/A	7/10	10
SLOVAKIA***	5	5	N/A	0	5
SLOVENIA***	15	5	25	5	5
SOUTH AFRICA*	10	5	10	5	5
SPAIN***	5	0	25	0	0
SWEDEN*	15	0	10	0	0
SWITZERLAND*	15	0	10	0/10	0
SYRIA	-	-	N/A	10	18
TUNISIA	10	10	N/A	12	12
TURKEY	15	10	25	10	10
UKRAINE***	15	5	20	10	10
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES***	0	0	0	0	0
UNITED KINGDOM***	-	-	N/A	10	10
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	15	5	10	10/15	10
URUGUAY***	15	5	25	10	10
VIETNAM	15	5	50	10	5/10

* Includes amending protocol

** Tax treaties negotiated but not yet in force include those with Curacao, Ethiopia and Ghana

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- ▶ PEOPLE LED
- ▶ TECH ENABLED
- ▶ GLOBAL COVERAGE
- ▶ TAILORED SERVICE

- ▶ 1,100 STAFF
- ▶ 25 JURISDICTIONS
- ▶ 47,000 ENTITIES
- ▶ \$177BN AUA

- ▶ FUNDS
- ▶ PRIVATE CLIENTS
- ▶ CORPORATE CLIENTS
- ▶ MARITIME

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