

Q-Park UK Limited Tax Strategy

This document, approved by the board of Q-Park UK Limited, sets out the company's approach to conducting its tax affairs and dealing with tax risks.

Q-Park UK Limited is committed to:

- Following all applicable laws and regulations relating to its tax activities.
- Maintaining an open and honest relationship with the tax authorities based on collaboration and integrity.
- Applying diligence and care in our management of the processes and procedures by which all tax related activities are undertaken, and ensuring that our tax governance is appropriate.
- Using incentives and reliefs to minimise the tax cost of conducting our business while ensuring that these reliefs are not used for purposes which are knowingly contradictory to the intent of the legislation.

Risk management

Managing the company tax affairs is a complex process across many functional areas of the business and as such there will inevitably be risks of error or omission within those processes (Tax Risks) which may result in the incorrect application of tax rules or calculation of tax returns. Eliminating tax risks entirely is impossible, therefore the company's attitude towards the level of control required over the processes designed to reduce these Tax Risks is driven by the likelihood of occurrence and scale of impact of each Risk.

The identified Tax Risks are then assessed on a case by case basis, allowing the company to arrive at well-reasoned conclusions on how each individual Risk should be managed. Where there is uncertainty in how the relevant tax law should be applied, external advice may be sought to support the company's decision making process.

When reviewing the Tax Risks associated with a specific decision or action, the company ensures that the following are considered:

- The legal and fiduciary duties of directors and employees.
- The requirements of any related internal policies or procedures.
- The maintenance of the company's corporate reputation, having particular regard to the way we interact with the communities around us.

Tax planning

The company has clearly defined lines of responsibility for its tax affairs, with decisions being taken in line with the company's tax authority thresholds, ensuring that they are taken at an appropriate level.

The company's tax planning aims to support the commercial needs of the business by ensuring that its affairs are carried out in the most tax efficient manner while remaining compliant with all relevant laws.

The tax function is therefore involved in commercial decision making processes and provides appropriate input into business proposals to ensure a clear understanding of the tax consequences of any decisions made.

In cases where the tax guidance is unclear or the company does not feel it has the necessary expert knowledge to assess the tax consequences adequately, external advice may be sought to support the decision making process.

Approach towards dealings with HMRC

The company is committed to the principles of openness and transparency in its approach to dealing with HMRC, and in particular it commits to:

- Making fair, accurate and timely disclosures in correspondence and returns, and responding to queries and information requests in a timely fashion.
- Resolving issues with HMRC in a timely manner; where disagreements arise, working with HMRC to resolve issues by agreement if possible.
- Being open and transparent about decision-making, governance and tax planning.
- Reasonably believing that transactions are structured to give a tax result which is not inconsistent with the economic consequences (unless specific legislation anticipates that result), nor contrary to the intentions of Parliament.
- Interpreting the relevant laws in a reasonable way and ensuring transactions are structured consistently.
- Ensuring all interactions with HMRC are conducted in an open, collaborative and professional manner.