

New Individual tax agent registration application – for individuals who are seeking to only provide tax (financial) advice services

Item 210 in Schedule 2 of the Tax Agent Services Regulations 2022 – Membership of professional association

Essential information

You may apply to register as an individual tax agent under **Tax Agent Services Regulations 2022, item 210**. If you are registered under this item it is likely that a condition will be imposed on your registration that limits you to providing tax (financial) advice services only.

Before you start the application, ensure you have the following information.

Registration requirement

To be a registered tax agent, an individual must:

- be over 18 years of age
- be a fit and proper person
- maintain, or be able to maintain, professional indemnity (PI) insurance
- meet the experience requirements
- be a licensee or a representative of a licensee (or have been within the preceding 90 days)
- be a voting member of a recognised tax agent association.

For information visit tpb.gov.au/registering-individual-tax-agent-provide-tax-financial-advice-services.

Fit and proper

You must satisfy the fit and proper person requirements. You must inform us of any events in the last five years that may affect your eligibility for registration, including overdue tax obligations. For more information visit tpb.gov.au/fit-and-proper-requirements-tax-agents.

Professional indemnity insurance

Professional indemnity (PI) insurance is a consumer protection mechanism to compensate your clients in the event they suffer loss due to an act, error or omission as a result of tax agent services you provide.

You must meet the Tax Practitioners Board's (TPB) PI insurance requirements which is that you maintain, or will be able to maintain, PI insurance that meets the TPB's requirements. For information on PI insurance visit tpb.gov.au/professional-indemnity-insurance-tax-agents.

If you have your own PI insurance cover, you will need the:

- policy number
- name of insurer
- start and end date of the policy
- amount of cover.

If you are covered by the PI insurance policy of another registered tax practitioner, you need the:

- registered tax practitioner's name
- registered tax practitioner number.

You may notify us of your PI insurance details in your application. Otherwise, if registration is granted, you must, within 14 days from the day you are notified about registration, provide us with your PI insurance details.

If you do not provide the details within that time, or you fail to maintain PI insurance that meets the TPB's requirements, your registration may be terminated.

Registration condition

If the TPB grants your application for registration as a tax agent under **item 210**, the TPB may impose a tax (financial) advice services condition on this registration under subsections 20-25(5) to (7) of the *Tax Agent Services Act 2009*.

Professional association membership

To demonstrate your professional association membership, you will need to show evidence of your current voting membership of a recognised tax agent association. This includes providing your membership number. For information on recognised professional associations visit tpb.gov.au/recognised-professional-associations.

Experience

You must have been engaged in the equivalent of 6 years of full-time relevant tax (financial) advice experience in the last 8 years. To demonstrate your experience, you must upload with your application:

- a statement(s) of relevant tax (financial) advice experience (SRE), or
- a statutory declaration outlining why you cannot provide a SRE, as well as two independent references from clients or colleagues.

Other information

- You must upload this application and all supporting documents at tpb.gov.au/apply-register-provide-tax-financial-advice-services for this application to be considered. Accepted formats for documents are Word, JPEG, PNG or PDF.
- If registered, the following information will be publicly available on the TPB register:
 - registered tax practitioner name
 - practice/business name and address
 - any relevant professional affiliations (recognised professional associations)
 - duration of registration
 - any conditions on the registration
 - any sanction (other than a caution) that has been imposed by the Board.

Payment

The application fee is \$731.

We will contact you once we have received your application including all your documents to provide you instructions on how you can pay the application fee.

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What you need to know before completing this form

- You must print this document, complete all boxes in black pen, scan and upload this application and all supporting documentation at tpb.gov.au/apply-register-provide-tax-financial-advice-services.
- We will contact you once we have received your application, including all requested documents to provide you payment instructions and to direct you to the Government EasyPay or BPAY website where you can make your payment.
- Ensure you check that you are a voting member of a recognised tax agent association before applying.
- Ensure you meet the TPB's PI insurance requirements. For more information visit tpb.gov.au/professional-indemnity-insurance-tax-agents.
- Read and understand the fit and proper person requirements and inform us of any events in the last five years that may affect your eligibility for registration, including overdue tax obligations. For more information visit tpb.gov.au/fit-and-proper-requirements-tax-agents.

Details


If registered, the following information identified with  will be publicly available on the TPB register.

If there are special circumstances about why any of the information identified with an  should not appear on the TPB register, contact us at tpb.gov.au/contact

1. Full name

Enter your legal name below. This must be the same name as on your identity documents.

Title 

Family name 

First name 

Other given names 

Date of birth (DD/MM/YYYY)

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2. Identifiers

Tax file number (TFN)

Australian Business Number (ABN)

Australian Business Name

Are you a trustee of a trust providing tax practitioner services?

No, go to [Question 3](#).

Yes, complete the below section.

ABN of trading trust

ABN Name

Note: upload the title page and schedule page of your Trust Deed at tpb.gov.au/apply-register-provide-tax-financial-advice-services.

3. Contact Details

Email address

Business phone number

Mobile phone number

Alternate contact number

4. Address Details

Provide your residential address to the TPB to verify your identity.

Note: Address provided in the following sections must be a street address. It cannot be a post office box, roadside mail bag, roadside delivery, or other delivery address.

Residential address

Address

City/Suburb

State

Postcode

Tick this box if the business address is the same as the residential address. If different complete the following section.

Business address

Address ^R

City/Suburb ^R

State ^R

Postcode ^R

Tick this box if the postal address is the same as the business address. If different complete the following section.

Postal address

Address

City/Suburb

State

Postcode

5. Electronic communication

Do you consent to the TPB communicating with you by email or SMS, including notices to grant or reject an application?

Yes

No

Note: If you select 'No' our communication to you will take longer.

6. Authorised contact

An authorised contact is a person nominated by you to act on your behalf with the TPB.

We will not use the authorised contact details when sending automated SMS or emails.

Registered tax practitioners can change authorised contact details at any time.

Do you want to nominate an authorised contact?

No, go to [Question 7](#).

Yes, complete the below section.

Title

Family name

First name

Other given names

Email address

Business phone number

Mobile phone number

Alternate contact number

7. ASIC registration details

The details below are provided to us by ASIC from its Professional Registers. You must ensure these details are correct with ASIC before continuing with the application.

i) Have you been an Australian Financial Services (AFS) licensee in the last 90 days?

No, go to Question (ii) **Yes**, complete the section below

Provide the AFS Licensee number

ii) Have you represented an AFS licensee in the last 90 days?

No **Yes**, complete the below section.

Provide Authorised representative number

Note: If you have selected 'No' to both above options, you will not be eligible under **item 210**. Do not submit your application.

8. Professional indemnity insurance

Select the option that best describes how the TPB's PI insurance requirements are met:

<input type="checkbox"/> You are covered by your own PI insurance policy	<p>Name of insurer <input type="text"/></p> <p>Policy number Policy start date Policy end date</p> <p><input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/></p> <p>Amount of cover</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> \$2 million</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Over \$2 million and less than \$20 million</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> \$20 million or more</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> You are covered by the PI insurance policy of another relevant registered tax practitioner	<p>Enter the name and number for the relevant registered tax practitioner below.</p> <p>TPB Registration number <input type="text"/></p> <p>TPB Registration name <input type="text"/></p>
<input type="checkbox"/> You will be able to maintain your own PI insurance policy or will be covered by the PI insurance policy of another relevant registered tax practitioner	<p>If registration is granted, you must, within 14 days from the day you are notified about registration, provide us with your PI insurance details.</p> <p>If you do not provide the details within that time, or you fail to maintain PI insurance that meets the TPB's requirements, registration may be terminated.</p>
<input type="checkbox"/> You do not charge a fee or other reward and are not an employee or a contractor of a registered tax practitioner	<p>Select the applicable option</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am an academic professional</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I provide in-house services</p>

	<input type="checkbox"/> Other, provide description in the following box. <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 100px; width: 100%;"></div>
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9. Registration conditions

If the TPB grants your application for registration as a tax agent on the basis of this eligibility pathway, the TPB may impose the tax (financial) advice services condition on this registration. You can also request other conditions on your registration to limit the scope of tax services that can be provided.

In determining whether to impose the requested condition, the TPB considers the qualifications and experience of the relevant individuals providing services. Details of conditions will appear on the TPB Register.

Limit registration conditions

Would you like to limit the tax services to a particular area or type?

No, go to Question 10.

Yes, describe the area or type of service in the below table.

10. Relevant tax (financial) advice experience

Registration option

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Requirement

Equivalent of 6 years of full-time relevant tax (financial) advice experience in the last 8 years.

Enter specific work history details including position start and end dates, employer details including ABN and ACN, services you provided and supervision and control details. For the definition of relevant tax (financial) advice experience go to tpb.gov.au/terms-explained

Once you have entered your work history details, complete and upload a Statement of relevant tax (financial) advice experience (SRE) for each supervising tax practitioner as appropriate. For further information on relevant tax (financial) advice experience and to complete the SRE form visit tpb.gov.au/relevant-tax-financial-advice-experience-tax-agents.

Experience

Provide your relevant tax (financial) advice experience in the below table. Include additional relevant tax (financial) advice experience when uploading the form.

Have you engaged in the equivalent of 6 years of full-time, relevant tax (financial) advice experience in the last 8 years?

No. If you have selected 'No', you will not be eligible under this **item 210**. Do not submit your application. Visit tpb.gov.au/qualifications-and-experience-provide-tax-financial-advice-services to check if you meet the requirements under one of the other tax agent items.

Yes, provide your relevant tax (financial) advice experience in the past 8 years below.

Position details	Position 1	Position 2	Position 3
Start Date			
End Date			
Is this your current position?	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Hours per week			
Employer ABN			
Employer name			
Explanation of services provided			

Is this work of another kind? Ensure you complete these for all positions listed in this form.

Visit tpb.gov.au/relevant-tax-financial-advice-experience-tax-agents for information on 'work of another kind'.

Yes, for work of another kind, you must provide independent verification of your experience as an attachment with this application. This may include a reference from a registered tax agent, qualified tax relevant provider (QTRP) or tax (financial) adviser or two separate references from colleagues or clients who are able to verify your experience.

No, add **supervising tax practitioner** or **QTRP** information in the table below for all positions listed in the application.

Supervisor type (tax practitioner / QTRP)	Identification number (tax practitioner / QTRP ASIC representative number)	Supervisor name

Note: you must download your SRE from our website at tpb.gov.au/relevant-tax-financial-advice-experience-tax-agents. You must complete a separate form for each supervising agent, QTRP or position as required. Once completed, you will need to upload all completed documents with your application at tpb.gov.au/apply-register-provide-tax-financial-advice-services.

11. Professional association membership

Professional associations may be accredited by us as a recognised tax agent or BAS agent association if they meet certain requirements in the Tax Agent Services Regulations 2022.

Are you a current voting member of a recognised tax agent association?

No, If you have selected 'No', you will not be eligible under **item 210**. Do not submit your application. Visit tpb.gov.au/qualifications-and-experience-provide-tax-financial-advice-services to check if you meet the requirements under one of the other tax agent items.

Yes, add your recognised tax agent association(s) in the below section. Note: ensure you upload evidence of your current voting membership. You only need to upload evidence for one membership.

Memberships	Association 1	Association 2	Association 3
Association name			
Voting member	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Membership number			
Membership expiry date			

12. Fit and proper requirements

To be eligible for registration you must satisfy the fit and proper person requirement.

In deciding if an individual is a fit and proper person, we must consider if they have:

- held the status of an undischarged bankrupt, or become aware that they will become an undischarged bankrupt
- been sentenced to or served a term of imprisonment (in whole or in part)
- been convicted of a serious taxation offence
- been convicted of an offence involving fraud or dishonesty
- been penalised for promoting a tax exploitation scheme
- been penalised for implementing a scheme that has been promoted on the basis of conformity with a product ruling in a way that is materially different from that described in the product ruling.

a) Have any of the above events happened to you in the previous 5 years?

No, go to Question 13. **Yes**, go to section (b).

b) Have you held the status of (or is aware of becoming) an undischarged bankrupt?

No, go to Question (c). **Yes**, complete the below section.

Provide details about the event including the year you became or will become a discharged bankrupt.

Explain why this event should not adversely affect your eligibility to be registered with the TPB.

c) Have you been sentenced to or served a term of imprisonment (in whole or in part)?

No, go to Question (d). **Yes**, complete the below section.

Provide details about the event including the year it occurred.

Explain why this event should not adversely affect your eligibility to be registered with the TPB.

d) Have you been convicted of a serious taxation offence?

No, go to Question (e). **Yes**, complete the below section.

Provide details about the event including the year it occurred.

Explain why this event should not adversely affect your eligibility to be registered with the TPB.

e) Have you been convicted of an offence involving fraud or dishonesty?

No, go to Question (f).

Yes, complete the below section.

Provide details about the event including the year it occurred.

Explain why this event should not adversely affect your eligibility to be registered with the TPB.

f) Have you been penalised for promoting a tax exploitation scheme?

No, go to Question (g).

Yes, complete the below section.

Provide details about the event including the year it occurred.

Explain why this event should not adversely affect your eligibility to be registered with the TPB.

g) Have you been penalised for implementing a scheme promoted on the basis of conformity with a product ruling in a way materially different from that described in the product ruling?

No, go to Question (h).

Yes, complete the below section.

Provide details about the event including the year it occurred.

Explain why this event should not adversely affect your eligibility to be registered with the TPB.

h) The TPB must also consider if the individual is of good fame, integrity and character. The TPB expects that a fit and proper individual will make full disclosure to it about any matters that may affect their good fame, integrity and character. This would include, but is not limited to, disclosing if they:

- have been subject to any disciplinary action and/or adverse findings by a court, regulator, government body, professional association or in another profession or occupation
- are subject to current complaints or investigations by a regulator, government body, professional association or in another profession or occupation
- are currently facing charges including in relation to fraud or dishonesty or taxation offences.

Do you have matters that may have affected your good fame, integrity and character (including those listed above) to disclose?

Provide details about the matter(s) including the year it/they occurred.

Explain why this/these matter(s) should not adversely affect your eligibility to be registered with the TPB.

Note: upload additional information you want considered with your application at tpb.gov.au/apply-register-provide-tax-financial-advice-services.

13. Tax obligations

Under the Code of Professional Conduct in the *Tax Agent Services Act 2009*, registered tax practitioners must comply with the taxation laws in the conduct of their 'personal affairs'.

'Personal affairs' includes the affairs of all associated entities of a registered tax practitioner and any entity that the registered tax practitioner has direct or indirect control over.

This includes associated companies, trusts (including corporate trustees of the trusts), a self-managed superannuation fund that the tax practitioner is trustee of and/or partnerships.

If you or any associated entities that you have direct, or indirect control over, have overdue tax obligations, this may affect your eligibility to be registered. It is a requirement to meet the following by the due dates:

- Lodgement of all required forms with the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) including income tax returns, activity statements and payment summaries
- Payment of all required amounts to the ATO (or subject to an agreed payment plan)
- Lodgement or debt obligations in relation to Superannuation and Superannuation Guarantee (if applicable).

Do you or any associated entities that you have direct, or indirect control over, have overdue tax obligations?

No, go to Question (14). **Yes**, complete the below section

You must provide us with details about the overdue tax obligations and your payment plan, including:

- name of Individual, company or partnership
- the type and period of overdue lodgements
- the type and amount of debt not subject to an approved ATO payment plan
- lodgement or debt obligations in relation to SuperStream and Superannuation Guarantee (if applicable).

Enter the details about the overdue tax obligations.

Explain why they should not adversely affect eligibility to be registered with the TPB.

14. Privacy notice

The Tax Practitioners Board is authorised under the *Tax Agent Services Act 2009* to collect information requested in this form. Visit tpb.gov.au for more information on our Privacy Notice at tpb.gov.au/privacy-notice which outlines how we will use and store the personal information provided in this form.

15. Declaration

I have answered all the relevant questions to the best of my knowledge, information and belief and they are true and correct in every particular.

I am aware that if I make a statement that is false or misleading in a material particular, then I may be guilty of an offence pursuant to section 8K of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953*.

I understand and will comply with the *Tax Agent Services Act 2009*, including the Code of Professional Conduct.

If requested, I will provide the TPB with relevant additional information or documentation in a timely manner.

Full name of the person making the declaration

Signature of the person making the declaration

Date (DD/MM/YYYY)

Further information

Visit tpb.gov.au or phone us on **1300 362 829**.