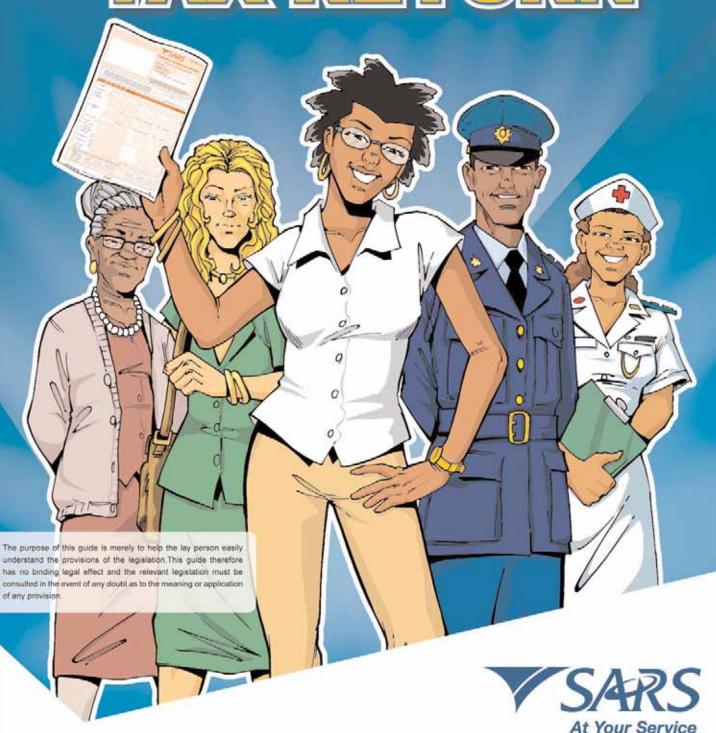
# COMPLETING YOUR TOWN



# COMPLETING YOUR TAX RETURN 2006



HI, I'M KHANVI. I WORK AT SARS IN PRETORIA, WHERE I HELP PEOPLE WITH THEIR TAX.

YOU HAVE RECEIVED THREE **POCUMENTS TO COMPLETE** YOUR TAX RETURN:



Information for this tax return relates to the tax year 1 March 2005 to 28 February 2006



If you have received a return, you are required to complete and submit it, whether or not your remuneration exceeded R60,000 in the last tax year

1) YOU'VE BEEN SENT THE ITIZSS TAX RETURN FORM, KNOWN AS THE RETURN OR FORM.

2) THIS DOCUMENT, THE EASY GUIDE TO COMPLETING YOUR TAX RETURN, IS THE BEST PLACE TO START. IT WILL GUIDE YOU THROUGH COMPLETING THE IT/255.

 LASTLY, A MORE COMPRE-HENSIVE DOCUMENT CALLED INFORMATION ON INCOME TAX IS INCLUDED AND EXPLAINS THE PROCESS OF COMPLETING YOUR TAX RETURN IN DETAIL. REFERRED TO AS THE BROCHURE.

# 1) A TAX RETURN



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# 2) AN EASY GUIDE



# 3) A BROCHURE



IT1255 brochure

# **GLOSSARY**

There are some words that you need to understand...



Other new words are explained where you see the DICTIONARY icon!

# TAX YEAR

The tax year, known by SARS as the Year of Assessment, is different to the calendar year. The tax year for individuals starts on 1 March and ends on the last day of February the following year. The 2006 Tax Year is therefore from 1 March 2005 to 28 February 2006

# TAX RETURN

This is the form sent to you by SARS which you need to complete and return to them.

# TAXABLE INCOME

Income earned that is subject to tax (eg: your salary). Some income is not subject to tax (eg: Lotto winnings!). Your taxable income determines how much tax you pay.

# ASSESSMENT

This is the process where SARS works out how much tax you owe or need to be refunded.



TODAY I AM HELPING MY MOTHER, SIBONGILE, WITH HER TAX RETURN FOR 2006.





MY MOTHER WORKS AS A PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER. THIS IS HER ONLY INCOME AND SHE DOES NOT RECEIVE ANY ALLOWANCES." MY MOM HAS BEEN SENT THE ITIZSS FORM, WHICH IS ORANGE.

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 Allowances; amounts structured into your basic salary, like a housing subsidy.

# WHAT YOU NEED

FIRST, GET TOGETHER ALL THE DOCUMENTS YOU NEED FOR THE TAX YEAR I MARCH 2005 TO 2B FERRUARY 2006.

THE MOST IMPORTANT POCUMENT IS YOUR IRP 5 OR IT3(a) POCUMENT.

YES, I GET AN IRP 5 ONCE A YEAR FROM MY EMPLOYER, HERE IT IS!

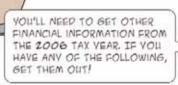


IRP 5: All employers must give every employee a certificate known as an Employees Tax Certificate or IRP 5.

This certificate shows all your income received as well as all the tax already deducted from your earnings and paid to SARS on your behalf. If you don't have an IRP 5 for 2006, contact your employer immediately.

You must attach your IRP 5 to your tax return!

IT3(a) includes information on income from which no tax was deducted (eg: Annuity income).







Details of your medical scheme contributions and medical expenses not paid by your medical scheme.



Details of any annuity income (regular income received, usually from an insurance company eg.retirement annuity),



Details of any contributions paid to a retirement annuity (usually sent by an insurance company).



Dates of any substantial periods spent outside the country.



Section 18a Tax certificates of any donations made to public benefit organisations (charities).



Details of any taxes paid or still owing other than reflected on your IRP5 (eg. taxes paid in another country).



If you receive a travel allowance and want to claim actual kilometres travelled, you will need a log book of all travelling done for work purposes. If you have not kept a logbook you will still need details relating to your vehicle.



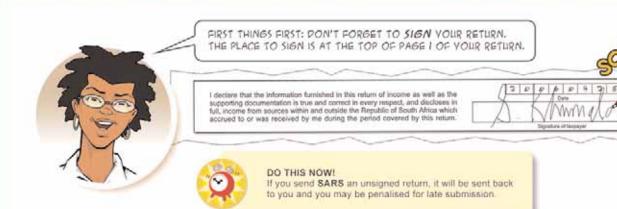
If you don't have all the required documentation and time is running out, you can apply for an extension. Call the SARS call centre, apply online at www.sars.gov.za or visit a SARS branch. Extensions MUST be filed on or before the filing season deadline!



Have you got the right Tax Return?

If you earned investment income or received a travel allowance you can still complete this tax return. If however you have earned any rental income, trading income or farming income during the year of assessment then you need to go to your nearest SARS office, where they will give you the most appropriate tax return for you to complete.

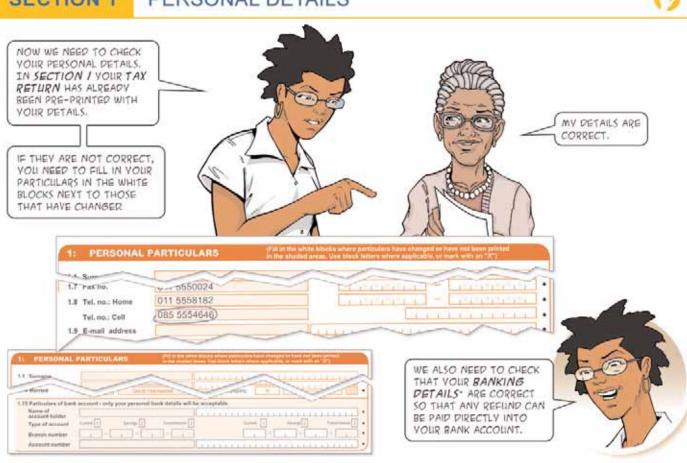
# COMPLETING YOUR TAX RETURN



# **SECTION 1**

# PERSONAL DETAILS





 No refund can be paid into anyone else's bank account, so only provide your own banking details.



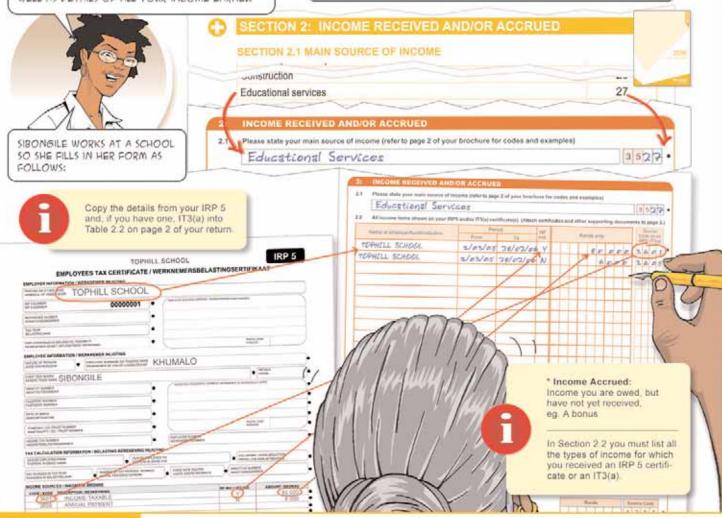
Remember to include your branch code number in your banking details.



# INCOME RECEIVED AND/OR ACCRUED\*



IN THIS SECTION YOU TELL SARS WHICH SECTOR OF THE ECONOMY PROVIDED YOU WITH YOUR MAIN SOURCE OF INCOME OVER THE TAX YEAR AS WELL AS DETAILS OF ALL YOUR INCOME EARNER LOOK AT SECTION 2.1 ON PAGE 2 OF THE BROCHURE FOR A
DESCRIPTION OF THE INDUSTRY IN WHICH YOU WORK. CHOOSE AN
INDUSTRY FROM THE LIST AND FILL IN THE CODE ON YOUR TAX RETURN.



**SECTION 3** 

# OTHER INCOME



IF YOU HAVE EARNED ANY OTHER INCOME PLEASE FILL IN SECTION 3 OF YOUR TAX RETURN. REFER TO THIS TABLE AS A GUIDE TO COMPLETING THIS SECTION.



INVESTMENT INCOME		ME	Interest / Foreign Dividend Exemption — Younger than 65 yrs old: R15,000		Interest / Foreign Income Exemption- Older than 65 yrs old: R22.000		
TYPE OF INCOME	TAXABLE / NOT TAXABLE	INTER EXEM	EST / FOREIGN DIVIDEND PTION	NOTES			
Dividends from Local Investments	NOT TAXABLE	n/a		dividend	is received from local investments, excluding s received from property unit trusts, are not so you do not need to declare them in your n.		
Dividends from Foreign Investments	TAXABLE		terest / Foreign dividends exemption set-off against foreign dividends.	Source Document: A statement from the foreign fution with whom your money is invested with.			
Interest Earned – Foreign	TAXABLE	The exemption is then set-off against foreign income earned. The max excet for both foreign dividends and foreign interest income is R2.000.		Source Document: A Statement from the fore tution with whom your money is invested with			
Interest Earned - Local	TAXABLE	into ac foreign	flance of your exemption after taking count the exemption applied to interest and foreign dividends can fled against local interest income		Occument: IT 3 (b) from the institution with our money is invested with		

NOTE: Please use the full amounts when completing Section 3 as SARS will apply the exemption for you.







IN SECTION 4 OF YOUR RETURN YOU NEED TO FILL IN THE AMOUNTS OF TAX ALREADY PAID DURING THE TAX YEAR. THE AMOUNTS FOR SITE AND PAYE ARE SHOWN NEXT TO CODES 4101 AND 4102 ON YOUR IRP 5 CERTIFICATE.

# TOPHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL IRP 5 EMPLOYEES TAX CERTIFICATE / WERKNEMERSBELASTINGSERTIFIKAAT 12345678 • EMPLOYEE INFORMATION / WERKNEMER INLIGTING KHUMALO EMPLOYEES TAX DEDUCTIONS / WERKNEMERSBELASTING AFGETREK CODE / KODE DESCRIPTION / BESKRYWING STANDARD INCOME TAX ON EMPLOYEES -SITE / STANDARD INCOMETE BELASTING OF HERIOEMERS -SIGN PAY AS YOU EARN - PAYE / LOPENCE SETANLISTELISE - LISS. TUTAL EMPLOYEES TAX / TOTALE WERKNEMERSHELASTING TAX CREDITS AND REASONS FOR NON-DEDUCTION Your SITE and PAYE deductions on IRP5 certificate(s) (Attach IRP5 certificates to page 3) Emphysic (PAYE) 123456781 770777777 86000450000 362888



SITE and PAYE are two kinds of tax employees pay: SITE: Standard Income Tax on Employees

PAYE: Pay As You Earn

If you have an IT3(a), include that information in Section 4.2.

# **SECTION 5**

# DEDUCTIONS



YOU CAN REPLICE YOUR TAXABLE INCOME BY CLAIMING CERTAIN EXPENSES. THESE EXPENSES ARE KNOWN AS DEDUCTIONS.

INTO MY RETURN.

YOU CAN CLAIM CONTRIBUTIONS YOU PAID TO A MEDICAL SCHEME. YOU CAN ALSO CLAIM CERTAIN MEDICAL OR DENTAL EXPENSES YOU PAID FOR, BUT WERE NOT COVERED BY YOUR SCHEME. YOU CAN CLAIM THESE EXPENSES FOR YOURSELF YOUR SPOUSE AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN OR STEPCHILDREN.

# Medical and Dental Expenses (Section 5.1)



Remember, if you are younger than 65 years old, your allowed medical deduction is the amount that exceeds 5% of your total taxable income before deducting medical expenses

Less Pension

R96 000

R50 000

medical deduction

So, the first R4,500 will be subtracted from your total medical expenses and will not be allowed as a deduction.

There is no limitation if you are older than 65 years old.

Should you feel you have a claim for a physical disability that isn't necessarily medical, supply SARS with information about the claim and why you feet it qualifies.

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\*Attach a statement from a medical scheme approved in terms of the Medical Schemes Act

## \*Medically Handicapped:

If you, your spouse children or stepchildren are handicapped, you can claim the total medical expenses you have incurred as a result of the handican Handicapped refers to: a blind person, a deaf

person, a person who permanently requires a calliper, wheelchair, crutch or artificial limb, or a person who suffers from a mental illness.



# DEDUCTIONS (continued)



HERE ARE OTHER EXPENSES YOU CAN DEPUT FROM YOUR INCOME TO REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF TAX YOU PAY.



# Donations (Section 5.2)

TF YOU'VE MADE DONATIONS TO AN ORGANISATION, AND HAVE A RECEIPT OR CERTIFICATE THAT REFERS TO SECTION 18A OF THE INCOME TAX ACT, IT WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR A DEPUCTION. TO CLAIM THE DONATION, FILL IN THE AMOUNT IN SECTION 5.2 NEXT TO THE COPE 4011 AND ATTACH THE ORIGINAL TAX CERTIFICATE.



School fees do not qualify as a deduction.

Note: The maximum allowable deduction

# Contributions to a pension fund (Section 5.3)



THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS YOU MADE TO YOUR PENSION FUND SHOULD BE REFLECTED ON YOUR IRPS NEXT TO THE CODE 4001. ENTER THIS AMOUNT, TOGETHER WITH THE NAME OF THE FUND IN SECTION 5.3.



will be the greater of R1,750 or 7.5% of your retirement funding income.



Retirement Funding Income: The portion of your salary upon which your retirement income will be based.

If no fund name is available please place "IRP 5" in the Name of Fund field.

# Contributions to a retirement annuity (Section 5.5)



Retirement Annuity: SARS will limit the deduction to the greatest of R1,750 a year or R3,500 less any current pension fund contributions or 15% of your non-retirement funding income.



FILL IN THE AMOUNT SHOWN ON THE CERTIFICATE FROM THE RETIREMENT FUND, NEXT TO THE CODE 4006, AND ATTACH THIS CERTIFICATE TO YOUR RETURN.

# Contributions to a provident fund (Section 5.7)



ENTER THE AMOUNT SHOWN ON VOUR TRPS NEXT TO THE CODE 4003. ALTHOUGH THIS CLAIM IS MADE NOW, THE BENEFIT ACCUMULATES AND IS ONLY TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT UPON EXIT FROM THE PROVIDENT FUND BY DECREASING THE TAXABLE PORTION ON THE LUMP SUM PAID OUT.



# Contributions to an income protection plan (Section 5.8)

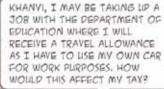


USE THE AMOUNT SHOWN ON THE CERTIFICATE RECEIVED FROM YOUR INSTITUTION TO COMPLETE SECTION 5.8 OF YOUR RETURN. REMEMBER TO ATTACH THIS CERTIFICATE TO YOUR RETURN.





# Other / Travel Allowance\* (Section 5.9)





OK, LET'S 60 THROUGH THE IMPLICATIONS OF RECEIVING A TAX ALLOWANCE AS I KNOW A LOT OF TAXPAYERS RECEIVE THESE ALLOWANCES FROM THEIR EMPLOYERS. TO CLAIM THE TRAVEL COSTS INCURRED FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES YOU NEED TO FILL OUT PAGE II OF YOUR BROCHURE.



PON'T WORRY, I'LL CALL MR VAN NIEKERK AT SARS - HE'S OUR TRAVEL ALLOWANCE GURU!





KHANY!! YES, I CAN HELR THIS SECTION IS NOT AS COMPLICATED AS YOU THINK.

IN SECTION I ON PAGE II OF THE BROCHURE YOU WOULD NEED TO FILL IN THE DETAILS OF YOUR VEHICLE.



Note on travel allowance: Denoted on the IRP 5 as a 3701 code.

# TRAVELLING EXPENSES

If you claim travelling expenses please complete this page and attach it to page 3 of your return. If this schedule is not attached to your return, your claim i.r.o travel, cannot be considered.

PLEASE NOTE THAT YOUR CLAIM WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IF PART 2 OF THIS PAGE HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED. IF AN ACCURATE LOGBOOK WAS KEPT, A COPY THEREOF MUST ACCOMPANY THIS RETURN

# 1: DETAILS OF MOTOR VEHICLES

Vehicle	Registration	Make and model		on order business	If sold or traded in during the year		Value at beginning of year of	Source			
number	number			or cash value	Selling price	Date sold	(Only i.r.o. part 4)		Co	de	
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2								7	5	3	5

Don't forget to attach page 11 of the brochure to page 3 of your Tax Return

 You only need to fill in this block if you have kept a detailed record of your travel expenses.

\*Travel Allowance: A portion of your salary, allocated by your employer for travel expenses related to the work you do. This amount will be denoted on your payslip and IRP 5.

# DEDUCTIONS (continued)



THEN YOU WOULD NEED TO FILL IN TABLE 2, BUT REMEMBER TO USE THE EXACT OPOMETER. AS AT THE DATES AT THE BEGINNING AND END OF THE TAX YEAR.

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1	BUSINESS KILOMETRES TRAVELLED	8 785		7	5	ñ	4

If you are in receipt of a travel allowance, you have the option to complete either part 3 or 4 to calculate your claim. If you are not in receipt of an allowance, you may any complete part 4 to calculate your claim.



IF SIBONGILE DOES NOT KEEP ACCURATE RECORDS OF HER BUSINESS KILOMETRES TRAVELLED, SHE NEEDS TO FILL IN SECTION 3 ON PAGE II.

IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THIS SECTION YOU NEED TO USE THE TABLE ON PAGE 10 OF YOUR BROCHURE TO GET THE FIGURES YOU'LL USE IN THE EQUATIONS IN TABLE 3.



You must complete the section with the actual odometer readings on the required dates or SARS will not consider your travel expenses claim.

\*\* Private Travel: Unless accurate records have been kept, the first 16, 000 kms travelled in the tax year is considered private travel.



\* Odometer: The counter in your car that tells you how many kilometres the vehicle has been driven.



Attach a logbook if one has been kept.

DRIVER'S LOGBOOK



Scale of costs in respect of motor vehicles							
WHERE THE VALUE OF THE VEHICLE -	FIXED COST R	FUEL COST	MAINTENANCE c				
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exceeds R80 000 but does not exceed R100 000	30,893	40,7	27,8				
exceeds R100 000 but does not exceed R120 000	35 578	40,7	27,8				

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The minimum information required in a logbook used to claim actual business travel is: The date, destination, point of departure and km's travelled for each business trip taken during the year of assessment.

LET'S SAY SIBONGILE'S CAR IS VALUED AT BETWEEN R60,000 AND R80,000, SHE WOULD THEN USE THE CORRESPONDING COST AND MAINTENANCE FIGURES FROM PAGE 10.

SHE THEN ENTERS THESE NUMBERS INTO SECTION 3 TO CALCULATE THE TOTAL PEPUCTION.



Attach page 11 of the brochure to page 3 of your return.

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WHERE NO RECORDS OF EXPENSES HAVE BEEN KEPT

(Please see previous page for table of fixed, fuel and maintenance costs)

Fixed cost Period used (days)

| R 75 #6 # x 3 | |

Fuel costs
Maintenance costs

Business km travelled 8 765

Total km travelled

N 262 pm 200

TOTAL COST (cents per km)

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36,2 22,4 259,74

14,033.00

X Total Cost 159.74

TOTAL DEDUCTION: VEHICLES 1 & 2 (Carry this amount over to part 5.9 of your return)

14,033.00

# SECTION 6

# RESIDENCE BASIS OF TAXATION



SARS WANTS TO KNOW
IF YOU EARNED MONEY
OUTSIDE SOUTH AFRICA,
DURING THE TAX YEAR.
IF RELEVANT, PUT THIS
INFORMATION INTO
SECTION 6.





If you did earn income outside of South Africa please read Section 6 of your brochure.

# **SECTION 7**

# DIRECTORS OF COMPANIES - MEMBERS OF CLOSE CORPORATIONS

MY FRIEND WAS RECENTLY MADE A DIRECTOR OF A COMPANY. DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS OF CLOSE CORPORATIONS NEED TO ANSWER "YES" IN THIS SECTION.





# CONTACT SARS

THANKS, KHANYL NOW IT FEELS EASY TO DO MY DUTY!



SARS IS COMMITTED TO MAKING COMPLETING YOUR TAX RETURN AS SIMPLE AS POSSIBLE.







For more information, contact your nearest SARS office, visit: www.sars.gov.za or call 0860 12 12 18.