# Taxpayers' Charter

**Rights and Obligations** 

(Taxpayers' Facilitation Guide)

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### **Our Vision**

To be a modern, effective, autonomous and credible organization for revenue optimizing by providing quality and service with promoting compliance

# **Our Mission**

To enhance the capability the tax to due taxes collect application of through techniques, providing taxpayer assistance and by creating a motivated, satisfied,

#### **Our Values**

Integrity Professionalism Teamwork Courtesy Fairness Transparency Responsiveness

# Each tax rupee that you pay helps Pakistan improve its standing economically and socially in the comity of nations.

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# Introduction.

The reform plan of Federal Board of Revenue places immense emphasis on the importance of effective taxpayer education and facilitation strategies to encourage voluntary compliance with the tax laws and tax obligations.

The "Taxpayers' Charter" defines rights and obligations of taxpayers, which will help eliminate the traditional perception and create a new tax culture of mutual trust, confidence and friendly working relationship between the taxpayers and the taxmen.

#### Who is a taxpayer?

Any person who pays or is obliged to collect, deduct or pay any of the taxes administered by the FBR.

#### .What does the tax office do?

The primary responsibility of the tax office is

to collect due tax under the law within reasonable time ensuring least inconvenience to the taxpayer. For this purpose, Tax Facilitation Centers have been established in all Large Taxpayers Units and Regional Tax Offices, wherein one window operation facility

is provided to the taxpayers for swift resolution of their tax-related issues. These offices are manned with

# **Taxpayers Rights**

#### You as taxpayer can expect us to:

#### Be Fair, reasonable and courteous

We treat you fairly and equitably. This includes:-

Paying respect and extending all possible help and assistance.

Handling of your tax affairs professionally and impartially;

Ensuring uniform interpretation and application of law in letter and spirit;

Requiring you to pay what is due under the law.

### Treat you as being honest

We treat you and your representative as honest & fair in tax affairs unless

### Be accountable for what we do

We are obliged to act and behave in a professional manner and within the four walls

#### Taxpayers Rights

### You as taxpayer can expect us to:

### Facilitate and educate you

We provide information and extend all cooperation to help you to understand and

### Keep the information confidential

We maintain confidentiality of your tax affairs and details, documents, or declarations given during the course of any tax proceedings.

#### **Provide access to information**

#### It includes:

Right to have access to the information or documents about your tax affairs only.

Right to have access to explanatory circulars and public rulings given by the

# Taxpayers Rights You as taxpayer can expect us to:

### Allow opportunity of being heard

It includes:

Allowing reasonable opportunity of being heard before concluding your tax affairs;

Correct appreciation of facts and circumstances relevant your to

Allowing sufficient / reasonable compliance time to respond to queries concerning your tax affairs.

# Accept your right of representation

We accept your right of seeking advice concerning your tax affairs. This includes representation of tax affairs your

# <u>Taxpayers Rights</u> You as taxpayer can expect us to:

# Accept your right of appeal, review and alternate dispute resolution

We accept your right to object:

On disagreements over facts, figures or interpretation of law; or

For any mistake, error or maladministration that occurred during the conduct of proceeding of your tax matters.

# Acknowledge and respond to your communications

This means to:

Acknowledge receipt of your communications;

Respond swiftly and accurately to your queries and requests for assistance;

Redress your tax issues professionally.

#### Taxpayers Rights

# You as taxpayer can expect us to:

#### Minimize your compliance cost

This is ensured by:

Good governess with a view to facilitate, educate and help the compliant taxpayers in resolving tax affairs;

Avoiding of uninformation, details, documents both at the time of filing of tax forms return and during the proceedings of tax affairs;

Levying the taxes strictly in accordance with law;

Simplifying the tax laws and processes and introducing the concept self-of

Conducting meetings with your you/

Finalizing proceedings in the minimum possible time;

Introducing taxpayer friendly, simple

Providing facilitation and tax education tools (literature, brochures, leaflets, software, website, workshops, seminars, help line etc).

#### Taxpayers Rights

### You as taxpayer can expect us to:

#### Redress your grievances

It includes:

Processing of your complaints; and

Resolving your tax-related issues/ problems.

# <u>Issue the due refund of taxes within a reasonable time</u>

This includes:

Keeping handy all record of your tax

Processing your refund claims and issue due refunds within the prescribed

Payment of compensation for delayed

# **Taxpayers Obligations**

# We as tax administrators expect from you

# to discharge your tax obligations correctly

### We expect from you to voluntarily;

Register yourself

Comply with tax laws

File correct, complete and candid returns and statements within the prescribed time;

Pay due taxes;

Maintain accounts, documents and records of your transactions;

#### **And**

Be truthful and honest in your dealings with tax authorities:

Provide complete and accurate information and record, if required, under the law.

Other Facilitation and Tax Education Material Produced by

Federal Board of Revenue

#### **Publications**

Brochure– Universal self-assessment and record keeping

Brochure - Business accounts, documents and records

Brochure - Taxation of income from salary

Brochure -- Frequently asked questions about Taxation of Salary

Brochure -Collection and deduction of tax at source

Brochure - Charitable Organizations

Brochure -Taxation of income from dividend

Brochure– The mechanism of Alternate Dispute
Resolution

Brochure - Taxpayers' Charter

Brochure -Import of vehicles

Brochure –Passenger Baggage Rules

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