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The Discretionary Trust Calculator

What is the discretionary trust calculator?

Once downloaded, the calculator shows the impact of the:

- Entry Charge on a gift into a discretionary trust
- Periodic Charge application at 10 year intervals
- Exit Charge on payments to beneficiaries.

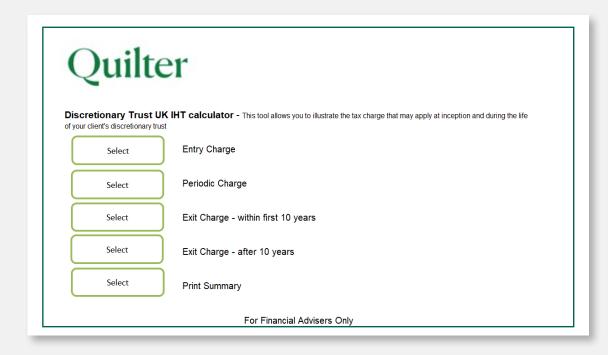
What can it be used for?

The calculator can help you to:

- show your client the charges associated with a proposed discretionary trust
- help the trustees understand the tax charge at a forthcoming anniversary
- demonstrate the 'total loss' to the trust fund as a result of a payment to a beneficiary.

How to use: Menu page

Select the type of charge you would like to calculate



How to use: Entry Charge

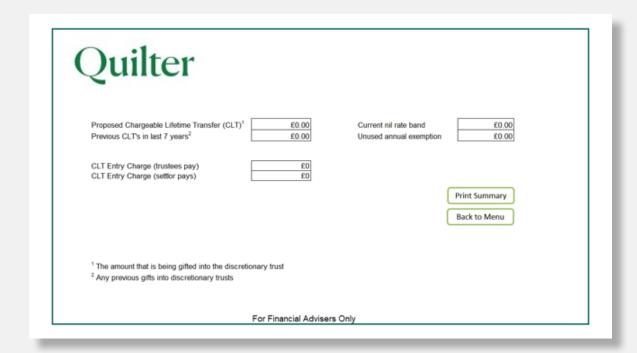
This page shows the immediate tax liability on a gift into a discretionary trust - Chargeable Lifetime Transfer

You need the following information to complete this page:

- Amount of proposed gift
- Any previous gifts into discretionary trusts
- Current nil rate band
- The amount of any unused annual gift exemption (maximum of £6,000 which is two years' exemptions)

The tool will show you the entry charge payable for the proposed gift.

As the tax is calculated on the loss to the estate, the outcome is different depending on who is paying the tax.



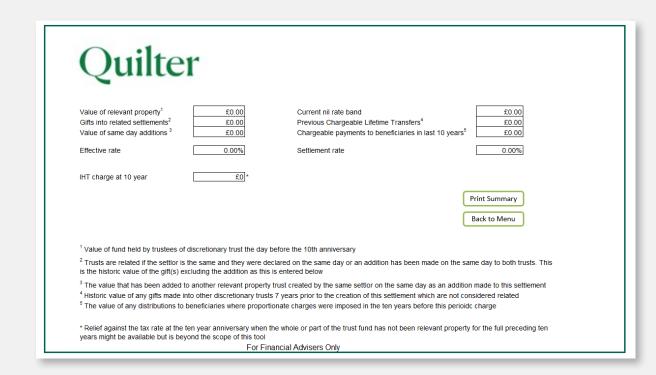
How to use: Periodic Charge

This page shows the tax liability on the 10th (or 20th, 30th etc.) anniversary of a discretionary trust

You need the following information to complete this page:

- Value of trust fund on the day before the anniversary
- Historic value (when they were made) of gifts into a related settlement*
- Historic value of same-day additions**
- Current nil rate band
- Previous gifts into discretionary trusts which are not considered related
- Payments to beneficiaries in the 10 years before this charge which themselves were liable to an IHT charge

The tool will show you the tax charge payable by the trustees.





*Related settlement

Trusts are 'related' if the settlor is the same and they were created on the same day or an addition has been made on the same day to both trusts.



**Same day additions

The value that has been added to another relevant property trust created by the same settlor on the same day as an addition made to this settlement

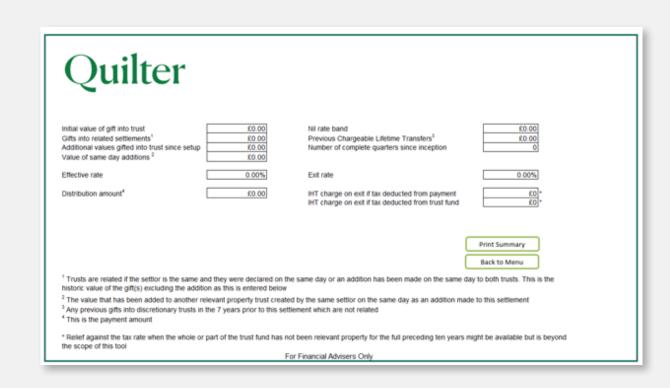
How to use: Exit Charge for payments to beneficiaries in the first 10 years of the trust

This page shows the tax liability on payments to beneficiaries

You need the following information to complete this page:

- Amount of gift into trust
- Gifts into related settlements*
- Additional values added to this trust since inception
- Value of same day additions**
- Current nil rate band
- The amount of any unused annual gift exemption (maximum of £6,000 which is two years' exemptions)
- Any previous gifts into discretionary trusts
- Number of complete quarters since inception and time of payment
- Distribution/payment amount

The tool will show you the tax charge payable by the trustees. The amount differs if deducted from the payment or if it is deducted from the remaining trust fund.





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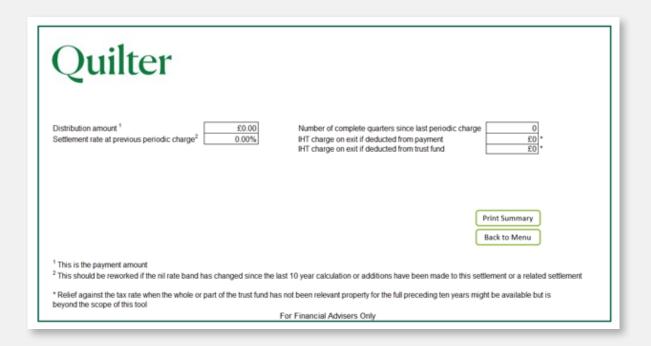
How to use: Exit Charge for payments to beneficiaries after 10 years

This page shows the tax liability on payments to beneficiaries

You need the following information to complete this page:

- Distribution/payment amount
- Number of complete quarters since last 10 year charge/calculation
- The settlement rate at the last 10 year calculation

The tool will show you the tax charge payable by the trustees. The amount differs if deducted from the payment or if it is deducted from the remaining trust fund.



How to use: Print Summary

Print summary must be selected from the menu page or from any of the calculation pages

It shows a summary of the data entered and respective tax charge for each calculation carried out.

The page must be printed to provide a summary of the discussion you have had with your client.



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This tool allows you to calculate IHT charges applicable to a discretionary trust. Before using this tool you need to obtain information of your clients holdings along with the gifting history of the settlor(s) and any exits or additional investments into the trust.

This tool doesn't take into account any reliefs that may be available for property that hasn't been within the trust fund for the full 10 years leading up to the Periodic Charge. For joint settlor cases previous gifts and available nil rate band needs to be included for both settlors.

You should be satisfied that the information you have entered and the results of any calculation are correct, before acting or refraining from acting in reliance upon the information given.

We accept no responsibility for any incorrect tax reporting that may arise as a result of your decision to advise your clients following the use of this tool.

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