



Ministry Of Finance

VAT Department

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A. Authority

This Rule is made under section 17 of the Value Added Act, 2014.

B. Legislation

All legislative references are to the Value Added Tax Act, 2014 and/or the Value Added Tax Regulations 2014, unless otherwise stated.

C. This Rule applies in respect of:

- a) Section 54 of the VAT Act, and
- b) Regulation 33

D. Application of Rule

The purpose of this rule is to provide authority to domestic financial institutions regarding the forbearance for the issuance of invoices in accordance with the VAT Act, Regulations and Rules.

VAT Registrants conducting business with the domestic financial institutions would require VAT invoices to be able to claim any input VAT incurred on transactions.

With the implementation of VAT and the requirement for VAT Registrants to issue VAT Invoices to other VAT Registrants, domestic financial institutions would be required to adjust their IT system to ensure that they can comply with the law on all fee based statements and invoices, which exist a varied and often complex formats. These institutions issue periodic statements which can be customized to reflect the information fields that are mandatorily displayed on VAT Invoices



E. Comptroller's Rule:

The Comptroller hereby rules as follows:-

1. Domestic Financial Institutions shall be allowed to use the periodic statements currently issued to customers as VAT Invoices. The statements must have the following information:-
 - a) The Name, Address and Tax Identification Number (TIN) of the issuing Bank
 - b) Name, TIN & Address of VAT registered customer
 - c) Date of the Statement/Invoice
 - d) The description and the value of each transaction listed on the Statement
 - e) Total consideration, excluding tax for the listed transactions
 - f) VAT rate (standard, exempt, or zero) and total VAT charged
 - g) The total price payable by the recipient
2. It shall not be mandatory for the Statement to have the following:-
 - a) The words "VAT Invoice" in the header
 - b) Sequential numbering
3. Financial Institutions shall have a period of 6 months from January 1st, 2015 to ensure that the IT systems are adjusted to abide by the above Rules
4. During the forbearance period indicated in 3 above, domestic financial institutions shall be required to issue periodic VAT only invoices or statements to VAT registrants.
5. Financial Institutions shall maintain and publish a VAT Inclusive fee schedule listing of all taxable fees and the VAT inclusive price of each fee.

F. The period for which this Rule applies:

This Rule shall apply for the period beginning on January 1st, 2015 and until further notice.

