

UNITED KINGDOM – LOGIC CHANGES

AUTHORITY UPDATE GUIDE

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Introduction

This guide provides an explanation of the recent Brexit-related changes made to Determination for the authority of the United Kingdom, which were implemented under assumption that there will be no deal with the EU. As of 30 March 2019 United Kingdom will be treated as a third country.

It should be noted, that the UK has not yet adopted new laws for a post-Brexit VAT regime. Therefore, considering there are no final decisions on the tax treatment for the cross-border transactions, we assumed that current general rules will not significantly change after the Brexit.

Regardless of the above, we have implemented some changes to Determination for the UK authority, which are mostly related to tax treatment of services in post-Brexit logic. In particular with accordance to the latest amendments:

1. Customer Location Services (CLS) – this transaction type shall be used post-Brexit for all the services that are taxable where the customer has its registered seat. In this case Determination will return “reverse-charge” in the customer’s location and “not liable” in the seller’s country.
2. Default Services (DS) – in the post-Brexit scenario, this transaction type will be no longer taxable in the buyer’s country, but in the country where the seller is established or has his registered seat. As a result, Determination will no longer apply “reverse-charge” on the buyer’s side. Instead these transactions will be treated as a domestic supply in seller’s country. Therefore, this transaction type will be mostly applicable to the B2C supply of services, and generally will not be applicable to the buyer’s side.
3. Physical Performance (PP) – in the post-Brexit scenario, this transaction type will be taxable in accordance to the service location. Therefore, if the seller is not registered in the country where the service is provided, Determination will return a NL (not liable) result.

Below are some examples of the expected results for the United Kingdom authority in respect of supply/acquisition of the abovementioned services. However, it should be noted that the presented logic will be valid as of 30 March 2019 provided that “no deal Brexit” scenario occurs.

PART II – TAX RESULT EXAMPLE

Test 1a: Customer Location Services B2B provided by a foreign entity

| WORKBENCH ELEMENTS | VALUES |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Transaction Type | Customer Location Services |
| Seller Primary | Germany |
| Buyer Primary | United Kingdom |
| Seller Registration | DE111111111 |
| Buyer Registration | GB111111111 |

NOTE: Buyer Primary parameter is necessary for this transaction type.

The following image shows details for the SELLER side:

| Tax Calculation Results | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|---|-----------------------|----------|-----|-----|------|----------|
| Scenario Brexit scenario 1 Seller: | | | | | | | | |
| View Results: | 6 ▾ | | Gross Amount: 1000.00 | Eff%: 0% | | | | |
| Zone | | Authority | Invoice Desc | Type | Dir | Fee | Rate | Tax Amt |
| Country: GERMANY | | Germany | Not Liable | NL | O | 0% | 0.00 | |
| Country: UNITED KINGDOM | | United Kingdom | Not Liable | NL | O | 0% | 0.00 | 0.00 EUR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Authority Messages: | | | | | | | | |
| Authority | RuleOrder | Message | | | | | | |
| Germany | 5001 | EUSS17: No VAT liability in Seller's country under Article 44 of EC Directive 2006/112. | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 5001 | GCSCL13: No VAT liability in Buyer's country. | | | | | | |

The following image shows details for the BUYER side:

| Tax Calculation Results | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|---|-----------------------|----------|-----|-----|--------|----------|
| Scenario Brexit scenario 1 Buyer: | | | | | | | | |
| View Results: | 6 ▾ | | Gross Amount: 1000.00 | Eff%: 0% | | | | |
| Zone | | Authority | Invoice Desc | Type | Dir | Fee | Rate | Tax Amt |
| Country: UNITED KINGDOM | | United Kingdom | VAT | RC | O | 20% | 200.00 | |
| Country: UNITED KINGDOM | | United Kingdom | VAT | RC | I | 20% | 200.00 | 0.00 EUR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Authority Messages: | | | | | | | | |
| Authority | RuleOrder | Message | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 10000 | GCBCL31: Reverse charge in Buyer's country. | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 10000 | GCBCL32: Recovery of reverse charge in Buyer's country. | | | | | | |

Test 1b: Customer Location Services B2B provided to a foreign entity

| WORKBENCH ELEMENTS | VALUES |
|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Transaction Type | Customer Location Services |
| Seller Primary | United Kingdom |
| Buyer Primary | Germany |
| Seller Registration | GB111111111 |
| Buyer Registration | DE111111111 |

NOTE: Buyer Primary parameter is necessary for this transaction type.

The following image shows details for the SELLER side:

| Tax Calculation Results | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|---|-----------------------|--------------|------|-----|-----|-----------------|
| Scenario Brexit scenario 1 Seller: | | | | | | | | |
| View Results: | 7 ▼ | | Gross Amount: 1000.00 | Eff%: 0% | | | | |
| Zone | | | Authority | Invoice Desc | Type | Dir | Fee | Rate |
| Country: UNITED KINGDOM | | | United Kingdom | Not Liable | NL | O | 0% | 0.00 |
| Country: GERMANY | | | Germany | Not Liable | NL | O | 0% | 0.00 |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 EUR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Authority Messages: | | | | | | | | |
| Authority | RuleOrder | Message | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 5001 | GCSC118: No liability in Seller's Country. | | | | | | |
| Germany | 5001 | EUSS04: No VAT liability in Buyer's country under Articles 196 and 44 of EC Directive 2006/112. Customer to Reverse Charge. | | | | | | |

The following image shows details for the BUYER side:

| Tax Calculation Results | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|---|-----------------------|--------------|------|-----|-----|-----------------|
| Scenario Brexit scenario 1 Buyer: | | | | | | | | |
| View Results: | 7 ▼ | | Gross Amount: 1000.00 | Eff%: 0% | | | | |
| Zone | | | Authority | Invoice Desc | Type | Dir | Fee | Rate |
| Country: GERMANY | | | Germany | VAT | RC | O | 19% | 190.00 |
| Country: GERMANY | | | Germany | VAT | RC | I | 19% | 190.00 |
| | | | | | | | | 0.00 EUR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Authority Messages: | | | | | | | | |
| Authority | RuleOrder | Message | | | | | | |
| Germany | 10000 | EUBS31: Reverse charge in Buyer's country under Articles 196 and 44 of EC Directive 2006/112. | | | | | | |
| Germany | 10000 | EUBS32: Recovery of reverse charge in Buyer's country under Articles 196 and 44 of EC Directive 2006/112. | | | | | | |

Test 2: Default Services B2C provided to a foreign entity

| WORKBENCH ELEMENTS | VALUES |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Transaction Type | Default Services |
| Seller Primary | United Kingdom |
| Buyer Primary | Germany |
| Seller Registration | GB111111111 |

NOTE: Seller Primary parameter is necessary for this transaction type.

The following image shows details for the SELLER side:

| Tax Calculation Results | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|---|---------|--------------|-----|------|------------|
| Scenario Brexit scenario 1 Seller: | | | | | | | |
| View Results: | 3 ▾ | Gross Amount: | 1000.00 | Eff%: | 20% | Type | Dir |
| Zone | | Authority | | Invoice Desc | | S | O |
| Country: UNITED KINGDOM | | United Kingdom | | VAT | | Fee | Rate |
| | | | | | | 20% | 200.00 |
| | | | | | | | 200.00 EUR |
| Authority Messages: | | | | | | | |
| Authority | RuleOrder | Message | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 10000 | GCSDS2: Output VAT in Seller's country. | | | | | |

Test 3a: Physical Performance B2B provided by a foreign entity

| WORKBENCH ELEMENTS | VALUES |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| Transaction Type | Physical Performance |
| Supply | United Kingdom |
| Seller Registration | DE111111111 |
| Buyer Registration | GB111111111 |

The following image shows details for the SELLER side:

| Tax Calculation Results | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|------|-----------------------|----------|--------------|------|-----|-----|------|---------|------|---------|------------------------------------|---|-----------------------|---|------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--|--------|--|
| Scenario Brexit scenario 1 Seller: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| View Results: 4 ▾ | | Zone | Gross Amount: 1000.00 | Eff%: 0% | Invoice Desc | Type | Dir | Fee | Rate | Tax Amt | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Authority | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Authority Messages: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> System Messages: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Code | Message | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| USING_COMPANY_ACTIVE_MAPPING_GROUP | Using company's active product mapping group. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TAX_RESULT_IS_ROUNDED | Output XML tax results are rounded. Rule [Round] Precision [2] MAU [0.01] | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| WORKBENCH_GETS_ALL_XML | No action is required. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NO_VALID_REGISTRATION | No valid registration numbers were found for the authority. No valid SELLER registration found for Authority United Kingdom and Supply Location UNITED KINGDOM with mask ^GB\d\{9\}\^GB\d\{12\}\^GB[A-Z]\{2\}\d\{3\}\^EU | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GCSPP4 | Seller must register to collect VAT in Service location. Authority: United Kingdom | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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| Tax Calculation Results | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|--|-----------------------|----------|--------------|------|-----|-----|------|---------|-----------|-----------|---------|----------------|------|--|
| Scenario Brexit scenario 1 Buyer: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| View Results: 4 ▾ | | Zone | Gross Amount: 1000.00 | Eff%: 0% | Invoice Desc | Type | Dir | Fee | Rate | Tax Amt | | | | | | |
| Country: UNITED KINGDOM | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Authority Messages: | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Authority | RuleOrder | Message | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 5001 | GCBPP10: Seller cannot invoice VAT since seller is not registered in Service location. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Test 3b: Physical Performance B2B provided to a foreign entity

| WORKBENCH ELEMENTS | VALUES |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| Transaction Type | Physical Performance |
| Supply | Germany |
| Seller Registration | GB11111111 |
| Buyer Registration | DE11111111 |

The following image shows details for the SELLER side:

| Tax Calculation Results | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|--|---------------|---------|--------------|----|------|-----|
| Scenario Brexit scenario 1 Seller: | | | | | | | | |
| View Results: | 4 ▼ | | Gross Amount: | 1000.00 | Eff%: | 0% | | |
| Zone | | | Authority | | Invoice Desc | | Type | Dir |
| Country: GERMANY | | | | | | | | |
| Germany | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Authority Messages: | | | | | | | | |
| Authority | RuleOrder | Message | | | | | | |
| Germany | 5001 | EUSPP1: No VAT liability in Service location under Articles 194 and 53 of EC Directive 2006/112. Customer to reverse charge. | | | | | | |

The following image shows details for the BUYER side:

| Tax Calculation Results | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|--|---------------|---------|--------------|----|------|-----|
| Scenario Brexit scenario 1 Buyer: | | | | | | | | |
| View Results: | 4 ▼ | | Gross Amount: | 1000.00 | Eff%: | 0% | | |
| Zone | | | Authority | | Invoice Desc | | Type | Dir |
| Country: GERMANY | | | | | | | | |
| Germany | | | | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Authority Messages: | | | | | | | | |
| Authority | RuleOrder | Message | | | | | | |
| Germany | 10000 | EUBPP1: Reverse charge in Service location under Articles 194 and 53 of EC Directive 2006/112. | | | | | | |
| Germany | 10000 | EUBPP2: Recovery of reverse charge in Service Location under Articles 194 and 53 of EC Directive 2006/112. | | | | | | |