



PERSONAL INCOME TAX RETURN (ITR12) AUTO ASSESSMENT 2022

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Auto Assessment is the automatic calculation of your Income Tax obligation by SARS. A taxpayer does not have to submit an Income Tax Return (ITR12) or accept or reject the ITR12 as per the normal SARS process.

If you have been auto assessed, you will be notified by SMS/e-mail in July. There is no need to contact SARS or visit a branch as your assessment is deemed as finalised.

The SMS will be sent to individuals that have been Auto Assessed ONLY. If you have not received a notification from SARS informing you that you have been auto assessed, you will be required to submit your Income Tax Return (ITR12).

When you have submitted the income tax return and have made an error, you will have the option to request a correction (RFR01). However, if you are still unhappy with the outcome of the assessment you need to lodge a dispute with reasonable grounds as per the normal process.

Send a query or contact us on:

- SARS Online Query System (SOQS) or
- Contactus@sars.gov.za

What to do after receiving the Auto Assessment message?

Simply log in on your SARS eFiling or SARS MobiApp to view your assessment if registered. If you have forgotten your eFiling password, or username or are not registered on eFiling, please access the eFiling website. www.sarsefiling.co.za

✓ In Agreement

If you agree with the Auto Assessment, you do not have to do anything. (Unlike the years before when you had to "accept" or "reject" a simulated assessment before it became an original assessment). If a refund is due, the refund will be paid in approximately 72 hours, and if you owe SARS, then make the payment via eFiling or SARS MobiApp.

✗ If not in agreement

You will have 40 business days from the date of the SMS notification to update and submit the tax return via SARS eFiling or SARS Mobi-App. On day 41, if you have still not filed your original return, the assessment will be regarded as final. You can request an extension to file after your 40-business day deadline, but if you don't request this extension and file your return after your 40-business day deadline, SARS may impose penalties

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