

# **J02**

# **Diploma in Financial Planning**

Unit J02 - Trusts

October 2020 examination

#### **SPECIAL NOTICES**

All questions in this paper are based on English law and practice applicable in the tax year 2020/2021, unless stated otherwise in the question, and should be answered accordingly.

It should be assumed that all individuals are domiciled and resident in the UK unless otherwise stated.

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### Instructions to candidates

### Read the instructions below before answering any questions

- **Two hours** are allowed for this paper which consists of 15 short answer questions and carries a total of 130 marks.
- You are strongly advised to attempt all questions to gain maximum possible marks.
   The number of marks allocated to each question part is given next to the question and you should spend your time in accordance with that allocation.
- Read carefully all questions and information provided before starting to answer. Your answer will be marked strictly in accordance with the question set.
- It is important to show all steps in a calculation, even if you have used a calculator.
- Tax tables are provided at the right-hand side of the interface.

Subject to providing sufficient detail you are advised to be as brief and concise as possible, using note format and short sentences on separate lines wherever possible.

### **Attempt ALL questions**

### Time: 2 hours

To gain maximum marks in a calculation, you **must** show **all** your workings and express your answers to **two** decimal places.

1.	(a)	Explain briefly the main differences between legal and beneficial ownership of assets held within a trust.	(4)
	(b)	State <b>five</b> main duties and responsibilities of trustees.	(5)
2.	Desc	ribe how a typical bare trust operates.	(8)
3.	(a)	Describe briefly a constructive trust.	(3)
	(b)	Identify an example of when a constructive trust might arise from an existing discretionary settlement.	(2)
4.	(a)	Describe briefly <b>three</b> circumstances when a 'transitional serial interest' can arise.	(3)
	(b)	Explain briefly the Inheritance Tax implications of a beneficiary having a 'transitional serial interest'.	(3)
5.	(a)	Describe briefly the main differences between charitable trusts and private trusts.	(6)
	(b)	Identify <b>six</b> specific 'charitable purposes', as specified in the Charities Act, that a charity must comply with in order to qualify for HM Revenue & Customs tax reliefs.	(6)

6. James is the appointed attorney to a health and welfare lasting power of attorney (LPA) for his father Tim. (a) Identify three key requirements that must apply before James can act with the health and welfare LPA. (3) (b) Describe briefly six types of decision James can make for Tim with this type of LPA. (6)7. Alison and Leo are married with two children and would like to set up Wills that benefit each other on first death and their children thereafter. (a) Explain briefly how a mutual Will works. (5) (b) State the requirements for the Will to be legally valid. (7) 8. Theresa has two children, Sophie, aged 22 and Archie, aged 25. Her husband Noah has just passed away without leaving a valid Will. (a) Explain briefly how Noah's estate will be distributed under the laws of intestacy. (5) (b) Describe briefly the main duties of the Administrator of Noah's estate. (6) 9. Tomasz is the settlor of three existing trusts and is about to create his fourth discretionary trust. He is considering gifting shares he purchased in 2009 into the trust, on which he has made significant gains. Explain briefly how the Capital Gains Tax annual exempt amount for Tomasz's (a) new trust is determined for the 2020/2021 tax year. No calculations are (4) required. (b) Explain the impact of Capital Gains Tax holdover relief if Tomasz transfers his shares into the new trust. (5) 10. (a) Identify four State Benefits that would indicate that an adult beneficiary was entitled to the protection of the 'trusts for vulnerable beneficiaries' (4) provisions.

### **QUESTIONS CONTINUE OVER THE PAGE**

Identify the three events that will revoke the special Income Tax

(3)

treatment for 'trusts for vulnerable beneficiaries'.

(b)

(5)

(8)

(4)

(8)

- 11. Javed died on 1 July 2020. Between 6 April 2020 and 30 June 2020, he received taxable income of £55,000 and dividend income of £5,000. On 1 October 2020 Javed's personal representatives encashed shares which realised £100,000 after expenses. Javed bought the shares for £60,000 and the probate value was £80,000. He had all his tax allowances available. The personal representatives have made no losses during the administration period.
  - (a) Calculate, **showing all your workings**, the Income Tax that Javed's estate will be liable for during the 2020/2021 tax year. (6)
  - (b) Describe briefly how the disposal of the shares made by the personal representatives during the administration period will be treated for Capital Gains Tax purposes. *No calculations are required.*
- 12. Kwasi has held a level term assurance policy for three years. He now wishes to write this into trust to ensure the sum assured is outside of his estate for Inheritance Tax purposes on his death.
  - (a) Describe briefly to Kwasi how his policy can be written under a trust. (5)
  - (b) State what gives the trustees the right to make a claim under the policy. (1)
- 13. Wilf died on 10 March 2020. At the time of his death he was settlor of an onshore single premium life assurance bond written under a discretionary trust. The Trustees were UK resident. The Trustees surrendered the bond on 30 September 2020, with it having made a significant gain since inception.

Explain how the bond will be assessed for tax purposes for the 2020/2021 tax year. *No calculations are required.* 

- **14. (a)** Explain briefly the conditions that HM Revenue & Customs require for the premiums paid into a whole of life policy, written under trust, in order for them to qualify under the normal expenditure exemption.
  - (b) Identify **five** types of income that qualify for the normal expenditure exemption. (5)
- 15. Ethan and Mathaus are trustees of a small family trust which comprises various investments including a life policy. The last surviving life assured of the life policy, who was also one of the beneficiaries, has recently died.

Identify **eight** principal factors Ethan and Mathaus should now consider as a result of this death.

The tax tables can be found on pages 8-15

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<b>INCOME TAX</b>		
RATES OF TAX	2019/2020	2020/2021
Starting rate for savings*	0%	0%
Basic rate	20%	20%
Higher rate	40%	40%
Additional rate	45%	45%
Starting-rate limit	£5,000*	£5,000*
Threshold of taxable income above which higher rate applies	£37,500	£37,500
Threshold of taxable income above which additional rate applies	£150,000	£150,000
Child benefit charge:		
1% of benefit for every £100 of income over	£50,000	£50,000
$^{*}$ Only applicable to savings income that falls within the first £5,000 of income in allowance	excess of the po	ersonal
Dividend Allowance		£2,000
Dividend tax rates		,
Basic rate		7.5%
Higher rate		32.5%
Additional rate		38.1%
Trusts		
Standard rate band		£1,000
Rate applicable to trusts		22 42/
- dividends		38.1%
- other income		45%
MAIN PERSONAL ALLOWANCES AND RELIEFS		
Income limit for Personal Allowance §	£100,000	£100,000
Personal Allowance (basic) §	£12,500	£12,500
Married/civil partners (minimum) at 10% †	£3,450	£3,510
Married/civil partners at 10% †	£8,915	£9,075
Marriage Allowance	£1,250	£1,250
Income limit for Married Couple's Allowance †	£29,600	£30,200
Rent a Room scheme – tax free income allowance	£7,500	£7,500
Blind Person's Allowance	£2,450	£2,500
Enterprise Investment Scheme relief limit on £2,000,000 max**	30%	30%
Seed Enterprise Investment relief limit on £100,000 max	50%	50%
Venture Capital Trust relief limit on £200,000 max	30%	30%
§ the Personal Allowance reduces by £1 for every £2 of income above the income (under the income threshold).  † where at least one spouse/civil partner was born before 6 April 1935.  ** Investment above £1,000,000 must be in knowledge-intensive companies.	e limit irrespecti	ve of age
Child Tax Credit (CTC)	22 -22	22 22 -
- Child element per child (maximum)	£2,780	£2,830
<ul> <li>family element</li> <li>Threshold for tapered withdrawal of CTC</li> </ul>	£545	£545
Threshold for tapered withdrawar of CTC	£16,105	£16,385

## **NATIONAL INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS**

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Class 1 Employee	Weekly			
Lower Earnings Limit (LEL)	£120			
Primary threshold	£183			
Upper Earnings Limit (UEL)	£962			

### Total earnings £ per week CLASS 1 EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS

Up to 183.00*	Nil
183.00 - 962.00	12%
Above 962.00	2%

<sup>\*</sup>This is the primary threshold below which no NI contributions are payable. However, the lower earnings limit is £120 per week. This £120 to £183 band is a zero-rate band introduced in order to protect lower earners' rights to contributory State benefits e.g. the new State Pension.

### Total earnings £ per week

### **CLASS 1 EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS**

Below 169.00**	Nil
169.00 - 962.00	13.8%
Excess over 962.00	13.8%

<sup>\*\*</sup> Secondary earnings threshold.

Class 2 (self-employed)	Flat rate per week £3.05 where profits exceed £6,475 per annum.
Class 3 (voluntary)	Flat rate per week £15.30.
Class 4 (self-employed)	9% on profits between £9,500 - £50,000.
	2% on profits above £50,000.

PENSIONS				
TAX YEAR	LIFETIME ALLOWANCE			
2006/2007	£1,500,000			
2007/2008	£1,600,000			
2008/2009	£1,650,000			
2009/2010	£1,750,000			
2010/2011	£1,800,000			
2011/2012	£1,800,000			
2012/2013	£1,500,000			
2013/2014	£1,500,000			
2014/2015	£1,250,000			
2015/2016	£1,250,000			
2016/2017	£1,000,000			
2017/2018	£1,000,000			
2018/2019	£1,030,000			
2019/2020	£1,055,000			
2020/2021	£1,073,100			

### LIFETIME ALLOWANCE CHARGE

55% of excess over lifetime allowance if taken as a lump sum.

25% of excess over lifetime allowance if taken in the form of income.

ANNUAL ALLOWANCE						
TAX YEAR	ANNUAL ALLOWANCE					
2015/2016	£40,000~					
2016/2017	£40,000*					
2017/2018	£40,000*					
2018/2019	£40,000*					
2019/2020	£40,000*					
2020/2021	£40,000*					

 $<sup>\</sup>sim$  increased to £80,000 for pension input between April - 8 July 2015. If not used, can be carried forward to pension input period of 9 July 2015 - 6 April 2016, subject to a maximum of £40,000.

<sup>\*</sup>tapered by £1 for every £2 of 'adjusted income' over £240,000 to a minimum of £4,000 if 'threshold income' is also over £200,000.

MONEY PURCHASE ANNUAL ALLOWANCE	2019/2020	2020/2021
	£4,000	£4,000

### **ANNUAL ALLOWANCE CHARGE**

20% - 45% determined by the member's taxable income and the amount of total pension input in excess of the annual allowance or money purchase annual allowance.

CAPITAL GAINS TAX				
EXEMPTIONS	2019/2020	2020/2021		
Individuals, estates etc	£12,000	£12,300		
Trusts generally	£6,000	£6,150		
Chattels proceeds (restricted to five thirds of proceeds exceeding limit)	£6,000	£6,000		
TAX RATES				
Individuals:				
Up to basic rate limit	10%	10%		
Above basic rate limit	20%	20%		
Surcharge for residential property and carried interest	8%	8%		
Trustees and Personal Representatives	20%	20%		
	10%	10%		
Business Asset Disposal Relief* – Gains taxed at:				
Lifetime limit	£10,000,000	£1,000,000		

<sup>\*</sup>For trading businesses and companies (minimum 5% employee or director shareholding) if held for at least two years.

3-4

40%

2-3

60%

1-2

80%

4-5

20%

INHERITANCE TAX					
RATES OF TAX ON TRANSFERS				2019/2020	2020/2021
Transfers made on death - Up to £325,000 - Excess over £325,000				Nil 40%	Nil 40%
Transfers - Lifetime transfers to and from certain	trusts			20%	20%
A lower rate of 36% applies where at least 10	% of decease	d's net estate i	s left to a re	gistered chari	ty.
MAIN EXEMPTIONS					
Transfers to - UK-domiciled spouse/civil partner - non-UK-domiciled spouse/civil partner - main residence nil rate band* - UK-registered charities	· (from UK-d	omiciled spou	use)	No limit £325,000 £150,000 No limit	No limit £325,000 £175,000 No limit
*Available for estates up to £2,000,000 and the extinguished.	hen tapered o	at the rate of £	1 for every £	22 in excess un	itil fully
Lifetime transfers - Annual exemption per donor - Small gifts exemption				£3,000 £250	£3,000 £250
Wedding/civil partnership gifts by - parent - grandparent/bride and/or groom - other person				£5,000 £2,500 £1,000	£5,000 £2,500 £1,000
100% relief: businesses, unlisted/AIM companies, certain farmland/building 50% relief: certain other business assets					
Reduced tax charge on gifts within 7 years - Years before death - Inheritance Tax payable	of death: 0-3 100%	3-4 80%	4-5 60%	5-6 40%	6-7 20%

0-1

100%

2009 12

Quick succession relief: - Years since IHT paid

- Inheritance Tax relief

20p per mile

100%

100%

100%

100%

PRIVATE VEHICLES USED FOR WORK					
2019/2020 Rates 2020/2021 Rates					
Cars On the first 10,000 business miles in tax year	45p per mile	45p per mile			
Each business mile above 10,000 business miles	25p per mile	25p per mile			
Motor Cycles	24p per mile	24p per mile			

20p per mile

#### **MAIN CAPITAL AND OTHER ALLOWANCES** 2019/2020 2020/2021 Plant & machinery (excluding cars) 100% annual investment allowance £1,000,000 £1,000,000 (first year) Plant & machinery (reducing balance) per annum 18% 18% Patent rights & know-how (reducing balance) per annum 25% 25% Certain long-life assets, integral features of buildings (reducing balance) per annum 6% 6% Energy & water-efficient equipment 100% 100% Zero emission goods vehicles (new) 100% 100%

Motor cars: Expenditure on or after 01 April 2016 (Corporation Tax) or 06 April 2016 (Income Tax)

CO<sub>2</sub> emissions of g/km: 50 or less\* 51-110 111 or more

Capital allowance: 100% 18% 6%

Qualifying flat conversions, business premises & renovations

first year reducing balance reducing balance

Electric charging points

**Bicycles** 

<sup>\*</sup>If new

MAIN	SOCIAL SECURITY BENEF	ITS	
		2019/2020	2020/2021
		£	£
Child Benefit	First child	20.70	21.05
	Subsequent children	13.70	13.95
	Guardian's allowance	17.20	17.90
Employment and Support Allowance	Assessment Phase		
	Age 16 - 24	Up to 57.90	Up to £58.90
	Aged 25 or over	Up to 73.10	Up to £74.35
	Main Phase		
	Work Related Activity Group	Up to 102.15	Up to 74.35
	Support Group	Up to 111.65	Up to 113.55
Attendance Allowance	Lower rate	58.70	59.70
	Higher rate	87.65	89.15
Basic State Pension	Single	129.20	134.25
Busic State Felision	Married	201.45	268.50
Single Tier State Pension	Single	168.60	175.20
Pension Credit	Single person standard minimum		
	guarantee	167.25	173.75
	Married couple standard minimum guarantee	255.25	265.20
	Maximum savings ignored in		
	calculating income	10,000.00	10,000.00
Bereavement Support Payment	Higher rate – First payment	3,500.00	3,500.00
	Higher rate – monthly payment	350.00	350.00
	Lower rate – First payment	2,500.00	2,500.00
	Lower rate – monthly payment	100.00	100.00
Jobseeker's Allowance	Age 18 - 24	57.90	58.90
	Age 25 or over	73.10	74.35
Statutory Maternity, Paternity			
and Adoption Pay		148.68	151.20

COR	PORATION TAX	
	2019/2020	2020/2021
Standard rate	19%	19%

VALUE ADDED TAX			
	2019/2020	2020/2021	
Standard rate	20%	20%	
Annual registration threshold	£85,000	£85,000	
Deregistration threshold	£83,000	£83,000	

## **STAMP DUTY LAND TAX**

	Residential
Value up to £125,000	0%
£125,001 - £250,000	2%
£250,001 and £925,000	5%
£925,001 and £1,500,000	10%
£1,500,001 and over	12%

Important note: For residential properties purchased between 8<sup>th</sup> July 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021, Stamp Duty Land Tax does not apply up to £500,000. For purchases above £500,000, the band rates above apply as normal. Additional SDLT rules still apply as below.

Stamp Duty Land Tax (SDLT) is payable in England and Northern Ireland only. Land Transaction Tax (LTT) is payable in Wales and Land and Buildings Transaction Tax (LBTT) is payable in Scotland. The rates for LTT and LBTT are different to the rates shown above.

Additional SDLT of 3% may apply to the purchase of additional residential properties purchased for £40,000 or greater.

SDLT may be charged at 15% on interests in residential dwellings costing more than £500,000 purchased by certain corporate bodies or non-natural persons.

First-time buyers benefit from SDLT relief on purchases up to £500,000 when purchasing their main residence. On purchases up to £300,000, no SDLT is payable. On purchases between £300,000 and £500,000, a flat rate of 5% is charged on the balance above £300,000.

	Non residential
Value up to £150,000	0%
£150,001 and £250,000	2%
£250,001 and over	5%