

Tax Wrappers: Which, why and when?



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Learning objectives

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Internal Taxation - Bonds and OEICs

Internal Taxation

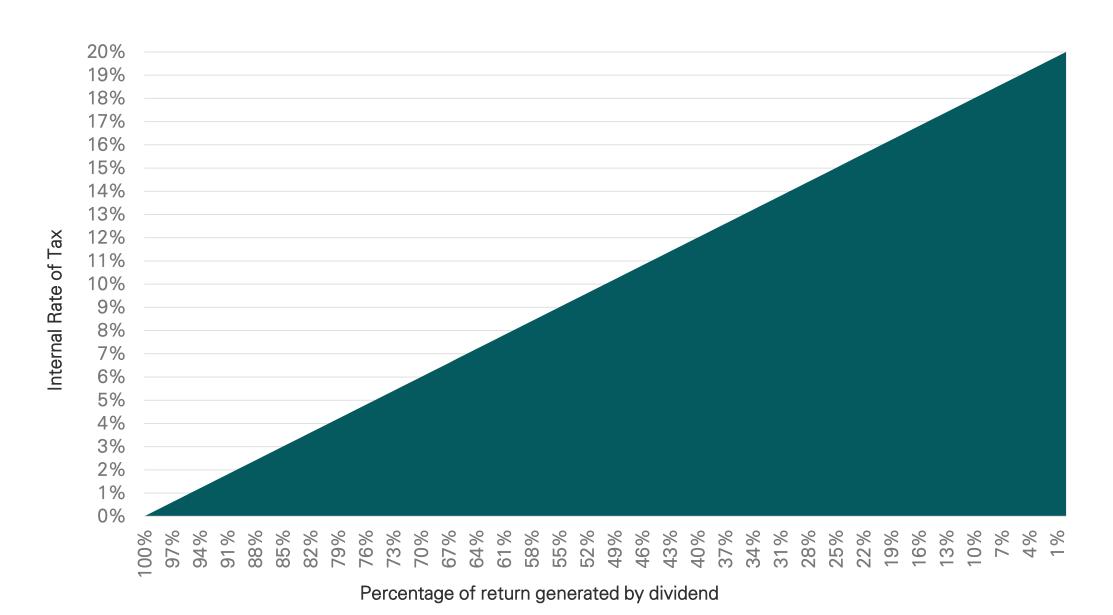
	OEIC	UK Bond	Non UK Bond
Income	20% / Exempt	20%	Exempt
UK dividends	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt
Overseas dividends	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt
Capital gains	Exempt	20% after Indexation to Dec 2017	Exempt

Onshore – why 20% isn't 20%



Tax rules can change and the impact of taxation (and any tax relief) depends on your clients circumstances.

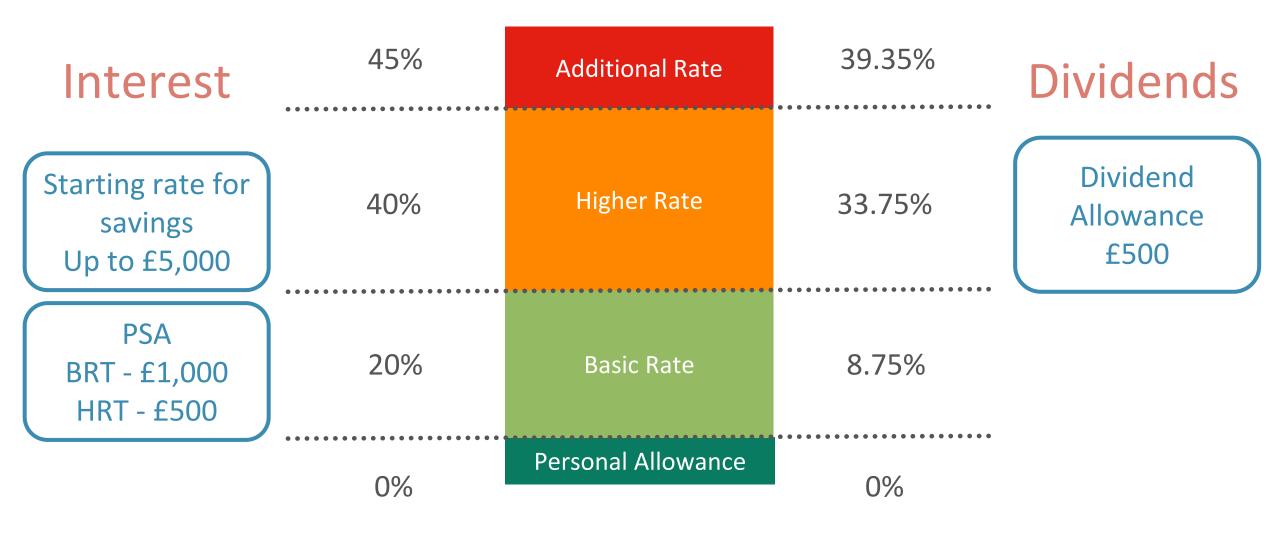
Onshore Internal Tax Rate (by dividend component)





Taxation of the investor OEICs

Tax rates on OEIC income



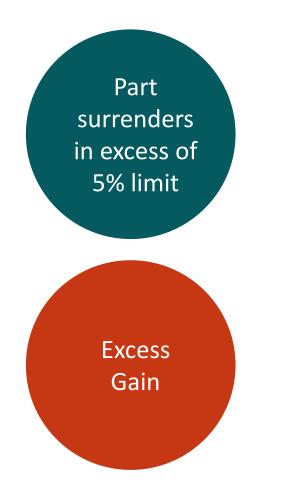
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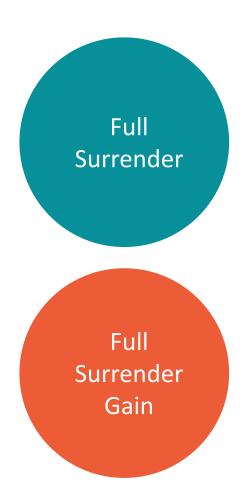
Additional Rate Annual Exempt Higher Rate 24% **Amount** £3,000 18% Basic Rate Personal Allowance



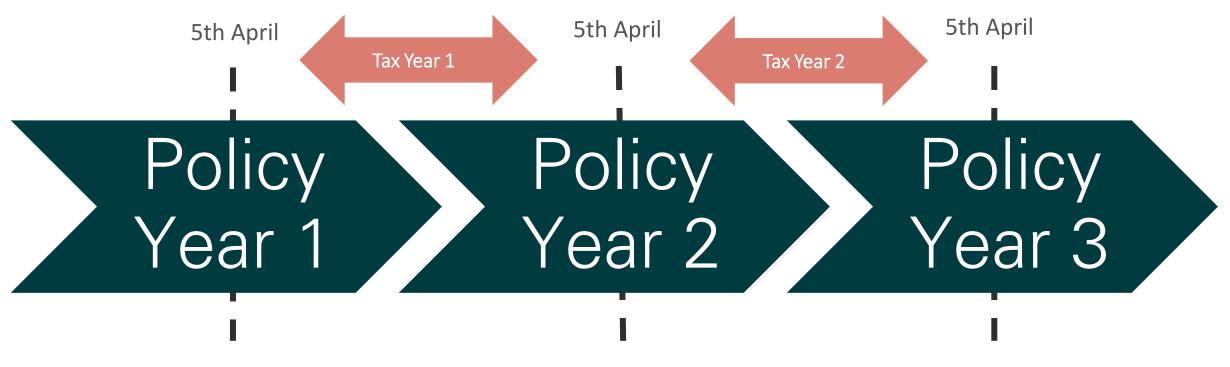
Investment Bonds Chargeable Gains

The most common types of chargeable event and gain calculations





Policy year v tax year



Assessed in tax year of event

Full Surrender

Assessed in tax year policy year ends

Excess

The tax deferred allowance

Available to individuals and trustees

Top-ups increase TDA

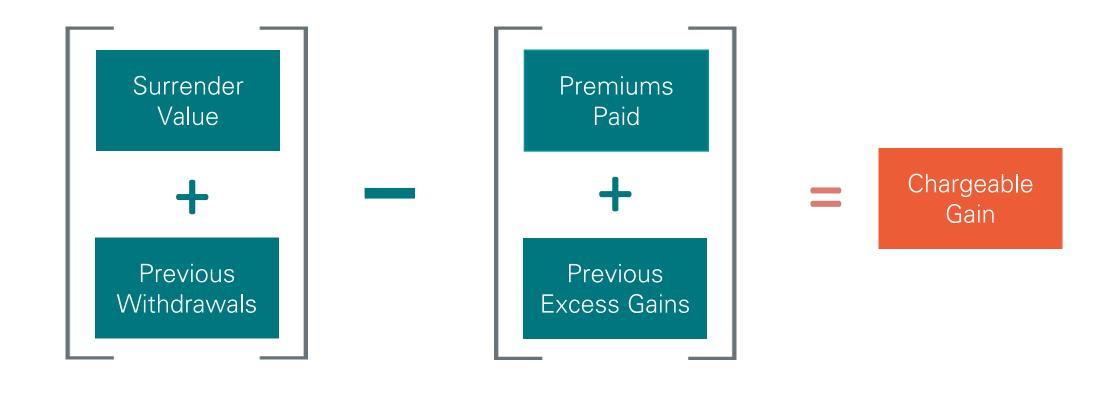
Tax-deferred NOT tax free

5% of premium p.a. x 20 years

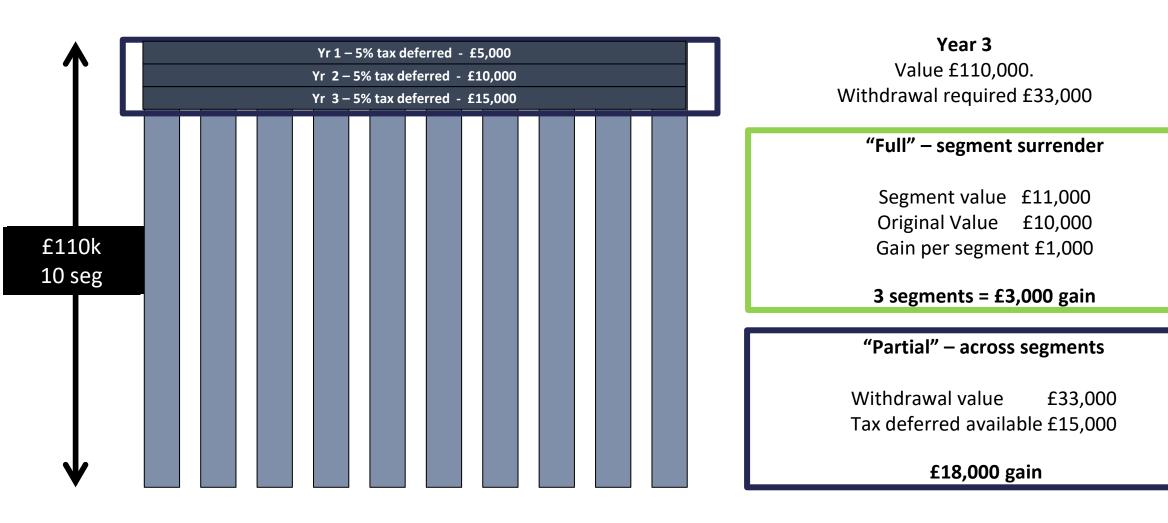
Excess gains occur at end of the policy year

Excess gain is the excess over the TDA

Full surrender of segments



Full v Partial



Bond Gain Tool

built by M&G

Inputs

Please navigate between inputs and outputs using Tabs below

Hover over the red tags beside fields for further information.

If you need to account for segment surrenders from outset click EXPAND. Click RESET to startover

EXPAND (to include previous segment surrenders)

RESET

Policy year

Partial Withdrawals (include applicable Premiums adviser charges)

Policy start

08/07/2016

Policy Type (Onshore/Offshore)

Offshore Bond

Initial Segments

100

Calculation Date
Current Surrender Value
Segments at calculation date

11/08/2025 £510,990.99 100

1	08/07/2016	07/07/2017	£352,610.00	£2,945.02
2	08/07/2017	07/07/2018		£3,900.96
3	08/07/2018	07/07/2019		£4,062.66
4	08/07/2019	07/07/2020		£4,105.19
5	08/07/2020	07/07/2021		£4,029.85
6	08/07/2021	07/07/2022		£4,614.68
7	08/07/2022	07/07/2023		£4,786.90
8	08/07/2023	07/07/2024		£4,713.33
9	08/07/2024	07/07/2025		£4,949.33
10	08/07/2025	07/07/2026		£5,000.00
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Savings Allowances

Personal Allowance	£12,570
Savings Starting Rate	£5,000
Personal Savings Allowance	£1,000/£500



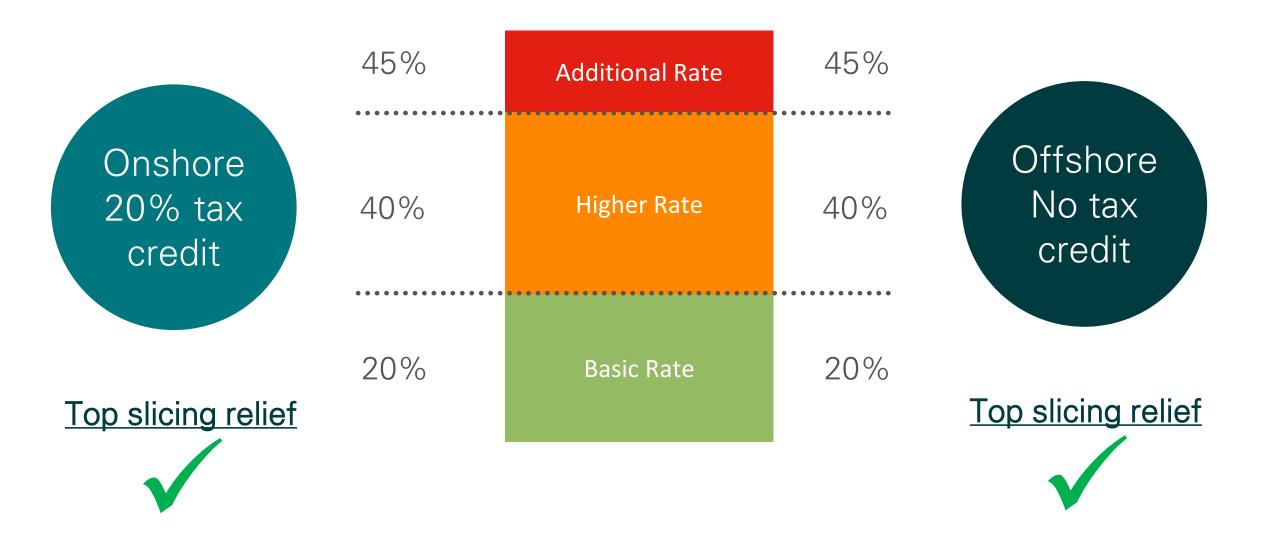


Offshore bonds

Those liable for gains:

- are likely to have little or no income on encashment, or
- can flex their income in the year of encashment

Over the allowances



Tax Year 2025/26

ABOUT YOUR CLIENT			CHARGEABLE EVEN	ITS - BOND GAINS		
What is the client's age?	Under 75	Onshore Gain 1		Years Gain 1 (N)	Slice 1	
	-	Onshore Gain 2		Years Gain 2 (N)	Slice 2	
Scottish Tax Payer?	No	Onshore Gain 3		Years Gain 3 (N)	Slice 3	
		Onshore Gain 4		Years Gain 4 (N)	Slice 4	
Number of Children - Only fill if Child Benefit is claimed						
		Offshore Gain 1		Years Gain 1 (N)	Slice 1	
Gift Aid (Gross amt)		Offshore Gain 2		Years Gain 2 (N)	Slice 2	
		Offshore Gain 3		Years Gain 3 (N)	Slice 3	
		Offshore Gain 4		Years Gain 4 (N)	Slice 4	
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Taxable Self Employed Profits		Dividends				s
UFPLS (taxable element)		Capital Gains above the annual exempt amount		NEW PENSIC	ON CONTRIBUTIONS	
Drawdown / Annuity Income / Scheme Pension Income		Taxable Redundancy Payment				E
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Tax Wrapper Comparison Tool

Case studies

Ben and Holly have each been left an inheritance of £250,000 they are now looking to invest.

Their financial advisers are considering whether to invest in an OEIC or via an investment bond wrapper.





Basic Rate Ben



- Married, aged 45, with 2 children
- Ben works and earns £25,000 p.a.
- Ben's wife is a higher rate taxpayer
- Investing for growth and looking to fund his ISA
- No change to his income in medium to longer term

Cash £25,000

S&S ISA £40,000 Home Joint owned £350,000

Interest £1,000

Why does an OEIC work out best for Ben?



1 Dividend allowance available for OEIC income

2 Only basic rate tax on income exceeding allowances

3 CGT AEA available for disposals each year

4 Ben pays no CGT over the term

Other factors – tax v non tax trade off



What's important to the client?

 You will have to do a tax return and pay tax every year, but your net return might be higher

• Your net return may be might be lower than it could be, but you won't need to pay tax or do a tax return every year

Higher Rate Holly



- Single, aged 52, with 2 children and 4 grandchildren
- Earns £60,000 p.a.
- Her DB pension is payable from age 60 (£18,000 p.a.)
- State pension is payable from age 67 (£12,000 p.a.)
- Holly plans to retire in 10 years at age 62

Cash £50,000

S&S ISA £100,000

GIA £200,000 Home £350,000

Interest £2,000 Dividends £6,000

Why does an onshore bond work out best for Holly?



1 Tax deferral within the bond until BRT

2 Top slicing relief spreads the gain

3 Basic rate tax credit mitigates BRT

4 No AEA available for capital gains

5 Income allowances used - HRT on OEIC income

Other factors – future gifting?









No tax on assignment

Assignee/Beneficiary's tax position?

Are bonds the answer?

Return
expected to
be income
driven
(especially
dividends)

Those
who can
manipulate
income in
year of
access

Higher rate tax payers who expect to be basic on access

Subject to tax traps

Expectation of lifetime gifting

Access savings allowances with equity funds

Larger /
Active
Portfolios

Those looking for simplicity / low_admin

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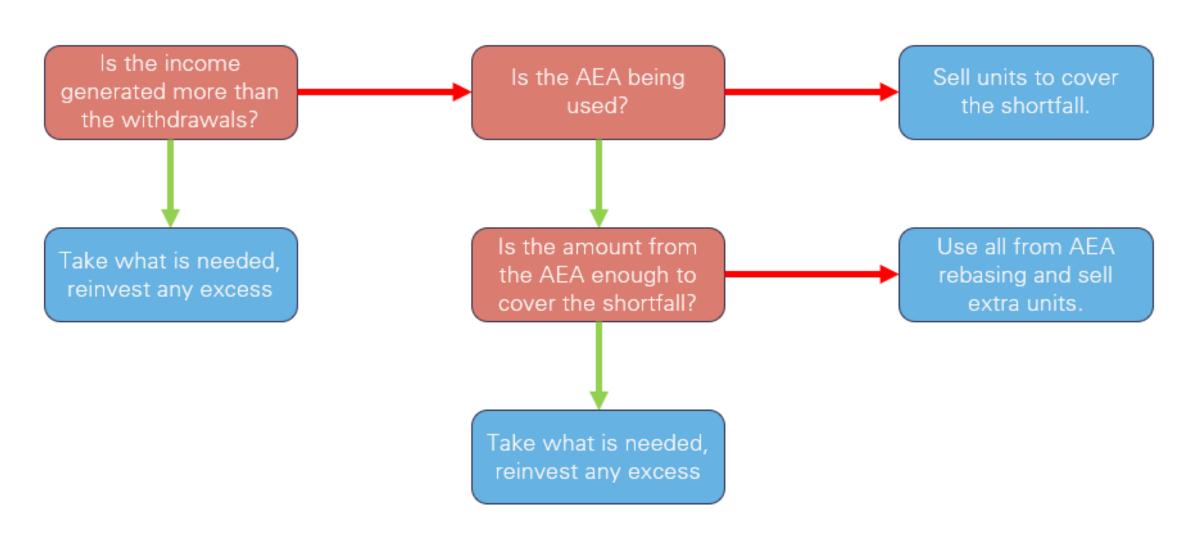
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QUESTION TIME



How the TWCT gets the wrapping and withdrawals done - OEICS





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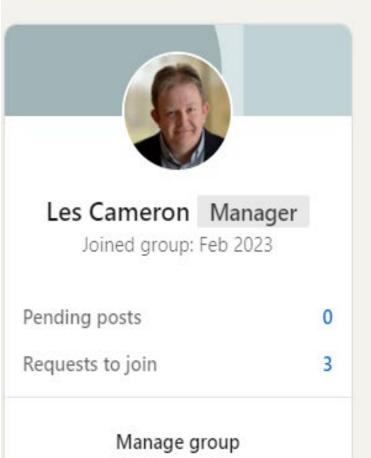




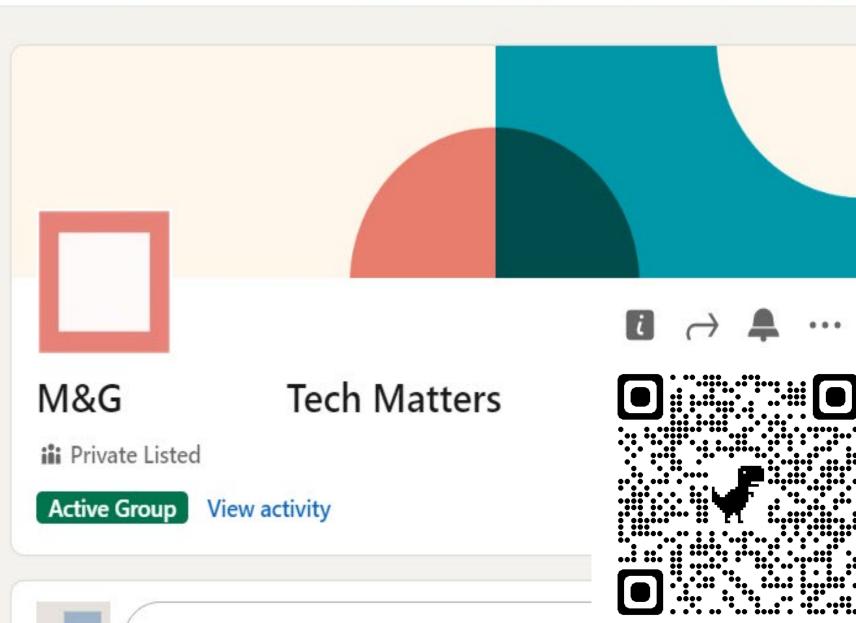








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