



South African Revenue Service

Dear Stakeholder

MEDICAL SCHEME CONTRIBUTIONS AND INSURANCE PAYMENTS: EXTENSION TO SUBMIT THIRD PARTY DATA

The original deadline for third party data submissions in the new format which has been available for testing during the recent testing period was 31 May 2013. Following discussions with stakeholders, it has however, been agreed to grant an extension for submissions until 28 June 2013 to specifically the medical scheme and insurance third party data suppliers.

This extension will allow you sufficient time to prepare your systems to submit in the new format. All other third party data suppliers are still required to submit their data electronically in the new format by 31 May 2013.

Please note that as previously communicated, we will no longer be able to accept submissions on CD/DVD from 1 April 2013. The following electronic channels will be available for third party data submissions:

- the new IBM®Connect:Direct® channel is suitable for bulk submissions (more than 50 000 lines of third party data)
- the HTTPS channel (up to 50 000 lines)
- the existing SARS eFiling channel suitable for low volumes (less than 20 lines).

These channels are considered to be more secure than CD/DVD submissions, ensure faster feedback to the taxpayer and reduce the overall administrative burden of large volume data transfer.

Further information

For more detailed information about IT3 Data Submissions, please visit our webpage on the SARS website which can be accessed by clicking here [IT3 Data Submissions](#) or by following the path www.sars.gov.za > Tax Types > Income Tax > IT3 Data Submissions.

Sincerely

ISSUED ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSIONER FOR THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE

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