

### STAMP DUTY & LAND TAX GUIDE

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## INTRODUCTION

There are over 40 tax reliefs available to purchasers. Our role is to advise our clients which tax reliefs are available on their acquisitions to ensure the correct level of stampduty is paid.





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We are a property tax team advising companies and individuals of the correct level of stamp duty payable on acquisitions.

# WHY DO BUYERS OVERPAY?

At present, 1 in 4 Stamp Duty Land Tax returns are calculated Incorrectly. This is mainly due to HMRC's online 'guide' calculator not being detailed enough to assess purchasers' circumstances.

Many purchasers expect guidance from their solicitor. In fact, solicitors are only appointed to collect SDLT on behalf of HMRC and not advising on it. Solicitors are legal professionals who are asked to give tax advice which creates an advice vacuum.



Solicitors, Estate Agents and buyers alike don't know where to turn for Property Tax advice which usually results in higher levels of tax being paid without applying the correct tax reliefs.

#### **BOPERTY DEVELOPER** ACT SHEET

Stats:

- incorrectly.
- due is £75,000.

Summary:

HMRC.

• 1 in 2 Property Developers transactions are calculated

• Typically, on a £2.5m site acquisition, SDLT is charged at £288,750. With the correct tax reliefs, the amount of SDLT

It's estimated that in excess of £2bn is overpaid each year to



Stats:

- 1 in 4 transactions overpay
- SDLT due is £45,000.



• In 2020, over 1 million homes were sold in the UK.

• Typically, on a £1.5m house purchase, SDLT is charged at £93,750. With the correct tax reliefs, the amount of



#### Site with Planning or Permitted Development Rights

Example: Acquisition price £1,290,000 Stamp duty payable £111,450 Correct stamp duty payable £47,000 Savings £64,450



#### House with an annexe or granny flat

Example: Purchase price £1,000,000 Stamp duty payable £43,750 Correct stamp duty payable £30,000 Savings £13,750





#### Purpose built accommodation or HMO purely for students

Example: Purchase price £500,000 Stamp duty payable £30,000 Correct stamp duty payable £15,000 Savings £15,000

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#### Purchasing out of probate, exempt from stamp duty

Example: Purchase price £1,000,000 Stamp duty payable £73,750 Correct stamp duty payable £0 Savings £73,750





#### Retail units with access to flats above

Example: Purchase price £1,500,000 Stamp duty payable £64,500 Correct stamp duty payable £24,900 Savings £39,600



#### House that needs substantial improvements

Example: Purchase price £1,000,000 Stamp duty payable £73,750 Correct stamp duty payable £39,500 Savings £34,600



Houses with access to; land, woodland, farmland, public footpath, pylons, stables, barns etc.

Example: Purchase price £1,500,000 Stamp duty payable £93,750 Correct stamp duty payable £64,500 Savings £29,250

#### TESTIMONIALS BY OUR CLIENTS

Really pleased my solicitor recommended Cap Ex Associates. Great Saving!

Extremely simple, thank you Adam from the tax team!

#### Our conveyancing team uses Cap Ex as a support network every week. Excellent!



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