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VISION

To become a world-class efficient and modern revenue agency, fully financing national needs.

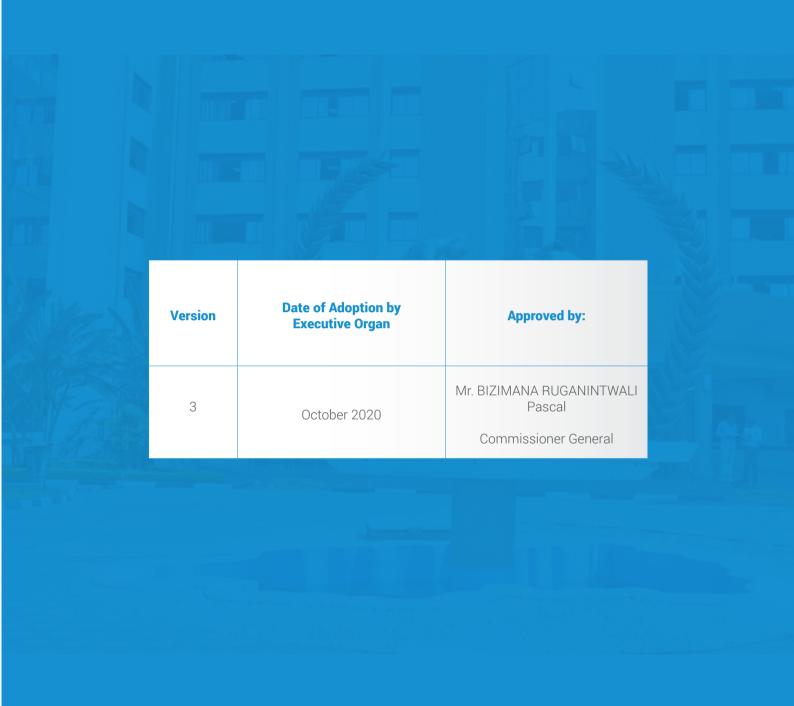


MISSION

To mobilise revenue for economic development through efficient and equitable services that promote business growth.







FOREWORD

On behalf of Rwanda Revenue Authority, I am pleased to present to you this service charter document made as a way to clearly show all services that Rwanda Revenue Authority (RRA) will observe when dealing with taxpayers and to inform our customers about their rights and obligations.

As regulated by law, RRA is responsible for administering and collecting various taxes including Income tax, Value added tax, Withholding taxes, Customs duties, Consumption tax, District revenues, and other different fees and charges. It recognizes the importance of establishing a closer partnership with taxpayers and has put forward this service Charter as a pronouncement of its commitment to deliver quality services to taxpayers.

RRA operates on the fundamental belief that taxpayers are more likely to comply with the tax law if they have the information on the services they need, to meet their obligations. In observing the tax laws, RRA will perform its functions according to the services pronounced in this Charter. These efforts will help to cultivate service culture which reinforces tax compliance and enhances a good tax system.

I wish to conclude by reiterating our commitment to ensure that quality service is provided rightly all the time and to uphold our promise to be there for you.

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Commissioner General



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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 WHO WE ARE

1.1.1 RRA STRUCTURE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Rwanda Revenue Authority (RRA) was established in November 1997 by the law No 15/97 on 8/11/1997. It is a corporate body administered and managed by a Board, and supervised by the Ministry having jurisdiction over finance. The Rwanda Revenue Authority is responsible for the administration and collection of the following taxes:

- Personal and Corporate Income Tax
- Value-Added Tax
- Customs duties
- Withholding taxes: Pay As You Earn, Withholding Tax on Imports, withholding tax on Public

Tenders and Withholding Tax on other payments to a non tax registered person.

- Consumption tax
- Gaming tax
- Tax on minerals
- Levy tax on imported goods
- District revenues including Trading License, Property Tax, Rental Income Tax and other different fees
- Non-fiscal revenues including road maintenance funds



The deadline for declaring and paying the above mentioned taxes and duties is here below:

Tax or Duty	Deadline
Personal and Corporate Income Tax	
 First Quarter (1st January to 31st March) 	30 th June
➤ Second Quarter (1st April to 30th June)	30 th September
Third Quarter (1st July to 30th September)	31 st December
Annual PIT or CIT (Balance of the year)	31st March of the following tax period
	Note: Indicated deadline may change in case a taxpayer is applying a tax period different from the calendar year as provided by the law.
2. Value Added Tax (VAT)	
Monthly	Paid within fifteen (15) days after the end of the month in which transaction happened
Quarterly	Paid within fifteen (15) days after the end of Quarter as
	follow:
From 1 st December to 28 th or 29 th February	15 th March
From 1st March to 31st May	15 th June
From 1st June to 30th August	15 th September
From 1st September to 30th November	15 th December
3. Custom duties	Paid at customs basing on the CIF value at first border of
	entry before the goods are released by customs

4. Withholding tax:	
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4.1 Pay As You Earn (PAYE):	
Monthly	Paid within fifteen (15) days following the end of each
	Month
Quarterly	Paid within fifteen (15) days after the end of the Quarter
	as follow:
From 1st December to 28th or 29th February	15 th March
From 1st March to 31st May	15 th June
From 1st June to 30th August	15 th September
From 1st September to 30th November	15 th December
4.2 Withholding Tax on Imports	Paid at customs basing on the CIF value before the goods
4.2 Withholding Tax on imports	are released by customs
4.3 Withholding tax on Public Tenders,	
winnings and other payments	Paid in the period not exceeding fifteen (15) days following
go and care payments	the month in which the tax was withheld
	A month is divided into three periods:
	From 1st to 10th of every month
	From 11 th to 20 th every month
	From 21st toward the end of the month
5. Consumption Tax	Paid in the period not exceeding five (5) days following
	periods mentioned above.
	The consumption tax on imports is paid concurrently with
	custom duties.
	Paid in period not exceeding fifteen (15) days following the
6. Tax on Gaming activities	end of each Month.



7. Tax on Mineral	Paid within fifteen (15) days following the end of each Month.
8. Levy tax on imported goods	Paid at customs before the goods are released by customs.
9. District revenues: Trading license	Paid not later than January 31 st of the tax year.
Property tax	Paid not later than December 31st of the taxable year
Rental income tax	Paid not later than 31 st January of the year following the taxable year
10. Fees: Public cleaning fee	Fees and other charges payable on a monthly basis are paid before 5 th of every Month.
Fees for occupation of public domain	Deadline depends on terms and conditions of the contract.
Fees based on services rendered to citizens	Fees and other charges are paid before the service is delivered.
Fees on advertising billboard or banners, on boat and bicycle number plates, etc.	Paid not later than 31 st December.
11. Non fiscal revenues: Road Maintenance Fund Others	Paid in customs when entering into the country

The following fees previously collected by RRA are currently collected through Irembo: Immigration and Emigration Services, Birth Certificate, Registration for Driving Test and Driving License, Application and Replacement of National ID, Certificate of Completed Identity, Criminal Record Clearance Certificate, Notarization and Gazette Services, Services on Land, Certificate of Being Alive, Certificate Replacing a Lost ID, Status Certificates and Payment of Cemetery Fees, etc.

1.1.2 TAX COLLECTION

Tax liability is assessed and revenue is collected by the following departments of RRA that are headed by Commissioner General Office and Deputy Commissioner General & Commissioner for Corporate Services:

- Domestic Taxes Department comprising Large Taxpayers Office, Small and Medium Taxpayers Office and Regions & Decentralized Taxes Office;
- Customs Service Department
- Support Departments: Quality Assurance Department, Finance Department, Revenue Investigation and Enforcement Department, Taxpayer Services Department, Planning and

Research Department, Legal and Board Secretariat Department, Human Resource Department, Information Technology Department, Corporate Risk Management& Modernization Department, Administration and Logistic Department and Training Department.

1.1.3 TAX DECLARATION AND PAYMENT

Taxes are collected using electronic means. Declarations are done through e-tax system for Domestic Taxes, Local Government Taxes system, Rwanda Electronic Single Window (ReSW) for customs duties which is a web based systems and through mobile (M-declaration) by dialing *800# and following instructions for taxpayers under flat and lump sum regimes who are not registered in e-tax. Trading License can also be declared through M-declaration.

After declaring taxes, duties and all fees are paid using any of the Commercial Banks, internet and mobile banking platforms, Mobile Money or Mobicash channel.



1.2 VISION

"To become a world-class efficient and modern revenue agency, fully financing national needs".

1.3 MISSION

"Mobilize revenue for economic development through efficient and equitable services that promote business growth".

1.4 CORE VALUES

We are Customer-Focussed:

- We treat our customers with fairness and equity
- We cater for our customer needs when delivering services
- We are open to customer concerns, ideas and criticism for our continuous improvement

We act with Integrity:

We are honest, sincere and have high ethical standards

- We are fair and considerate in our treatment to others
- We show respect, courtesy and tolerance to the views of others
- We are open and work with clarity and consistency in dealing with our customers

We are Accountable:

- We embrace our government given mandate and trust for revenue collection and endeavour to deliver on it
- We assume responsibility for our decisions and actions as they affect our customers
- We are open, reliable and transparent in dealings with our customers

We work as a Team:

- We empower our people
- · We involve our staff
- We value team work
- We are engaged



We are Professional:

- We commit to provide quality services to our clients
- Our work always aims to provide solutions to our clients
- We embrace best practice and innovation for continuous improvement
- We demonstrate confidentiality in dealing with our customers
- We commit to work with passion

2. TAXPAYER'S RIGHTS

Revenue collection system functions effectively and efficiently when taxpayers know, understand and uphold their rights amongst which we list the right:

- To be treated as honest, truthful and equitably;
- To be treated fairly, with justice, respect and common courtesy;
- To respect full confidentiality within legal

- provision in respect to your personal right to privacy and secrecy as per laws;
- To seek clarification on any rule and its implementation;
- To seek and receive information on all issues pertaining to taxes;
- To question and constructively criticize service levels and the manner in which we have communicated with you;
- · To expect fair and just treatment;
- To challenge and question our decisions with regard to taxes you are required to pay;
- To be properly informed of your rights and obligations;
- To request that your tax affairs be re-examined by appeal when you are not satisfied with our decisions;
- To be represented and advised;
- To be consulted and given feedback on tax matters policy;



- To receive a response to any correspondence addressed to the tax administration;
- To get any claimed refund as provided for the applicable laws and regulations.

3. TAXPAYER'S OBLIGATIONS

We strive to offer world-class service to you and your participation can make it happen. We require you to fulfill the following obligations to enable us offer you the best service possible:

- Register with RRA within 7 days upon commencement of your business;
- Have ONE Tax Identification Number (TIN);
- · Submit tax returns on time;
- Make payment of the correct amount of tax due on time;
- Retain and pay withholding taxes as provided by the law:
- Prepare and maintain up to date and accurate records:

- · Submit all relevant and accurate information;
- Treat tax officers with respect and courtesy and shall cooperate with them in pursuance of their duties;
- Know your rights, obligations and commitments;
- Promptly report on any tax malpractices;
- To be honest;
- To be cooperative.

4. SERVICE OFFERED, REQUIREMENTS, TIMELINES AND COSTS

4. 1. RESPONSES TO CORRESPONDENCES, CALLS, MESSAGES

SERVICES	REQUIREMENTS	TIMELINE	COST	CONTACT PERSONS
Answering incoming calls: Telephone/Call center on 3004	No requirement	20 seconds Note: Waiting time can take up to 5 minutes	Free	Call Center and Public Relations Manager Tel:0788185796 Head of Media and Customer Relations Division Tel:0788185660
Respond to received messages through RRA E-mail (info@rra.gov.rw)	No requirement	Acknowledging receipt immediately	Free	Web Editor Tel: 0788185755
Respond to received messages through Social Media (Twitter, Facebook, YouTube and Instagram), e-suggestion box and Web Live Chat.	No requirement	2 hours during work hours	Free	



Respond to a simple letter which requires no investigations	Written letter specifying clearly the reason Supporting documents Detailed address (PO Box, Telephone, Email, TIN, District, Sector, Cell and Village)	3 working days	Free	1.Central Secretariat Officer Tel: 0788185524 2.Executive Assistant /DTD Tel: 0788185540 3. Administrative Assistant/ SMTO Tel:0788185600 4. Administrative Assistant/ LTO Tel:0788185570 5. Administrative Assistant/
Respond to letters that need investigations requiring external information	 Written letter Detailed address (Telephone, District, Sector, Cell and Village, PO Box, Email, TIN, House number if any) 	30 working days	Free	R&DTD Tel: 0788185519 6. Executive Assistant / Customs Tel:0788185712
Request for clarification for public tender Hard copy of a document	Application letterApplication letterProof of payment	5 working days 2 working days	Free Frw 5,000 per request	Procurement Unit Tel: 0788185596 Executive Assistant /DTD Tel: 0788185540



4.2. TAXPAYER REGISTRATION AND DE-REGISTRATION

SERVICES	REQUIREMENTS	TIMELINE	cost	CONTACT PERSONS
Business registration & acquisition	a) Individual BusinessCopy of ID card or passport for foreignerFill the registration form	6 Hours	Free	
of a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)	 b) Cooperative Certificate of Association from RCA (Rwanda Cooperative Agency) Fill the registration form 	20 Minutes		Head of
	 c) Government Entities Published in official Gazette Fill the registration form d) NGOs 	20 Minutes		Registration and Block Management Division
	 Certificate from Rwanda Governance Board for local NGOs Certificate from Immigration for International NGOs Fill the registration form 	20 Minutes		Tel: 0788185585 Or
VAT registration and acquisition of a VAT Certificate	➤ Fill the VAT registration form	10 Minutes	Free	Group Leader of Registration Unit
Registration under quarterly payment of VAT & PAYE	 To have an annual turnover less than 200 million Frw Fill the registration form. 	20 Minutes	Free	Tel: 0788185748



Provide access to E-tax system (Web registration)	 ID card or passport (for foreigner) Mobile telephone number E-mail address Fill online registration form 	20 Minutesewanda Revenue Authority service	Free	Head of Business Analysis Division Tel: 0788185552
Business de- registration	 Clear all tax arrears up to date if any; Fill the online de-registration form 	5 working Days	Free	Group Leader of Registration Unit Tel: 0788185748
Registration and acquisition of a Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) for Local Government Taxes	 a) Small Business Copy of Identity Card or Passport (for foreigner) Rental Income Land documents National ID/ Passport. Property tax Land documents National ID/ Passport. National ID/ Passport.	5 minutes	Free	Head of Compliance Division Tel. 0788185802

De-registration	De-registration form signed by taxpayer and	3 working days	Free	Head of
from Local	the Executive Secretary of the Sector.			Compliance
Government	Photocopy of ID card or Passport (for			Division
Taxes	foreigner)			Tel.
	Note:			0788185802
	1. De-registration is done at the tax center			
	where business activities are carried out.			
	2. De-registration can be done online via			
	https://localgov.rra.gov.rw/login			

Note: * Time frame considered is after submitting all required documents



4.3. SERVICES RELATED TO MOTOR VEHICLES/ MOTORCYCLES

SERVICES	REQUIREMENTS	TIMELINE	COST	CONTACT PERSONS
Motor vehicle registration and issuance of number plate	 Possess customs clearance documents Proof of payment of customs duties and taxes Proof of payment of motor vehicle registration fees Note: New Vehicle registration is done at RRA - Gikondo Customs Office and RRA Head office for domestically assembled vehicles 	1 day	Registration fees are paid once depending on the motor vehicle engine capacity as follows: 0-1000cc = Frw75,000 1001-1500cc = Frw160,000 1501-3000cc = Frw250,000 3001-4500cc = Frw420,000 4501cc and above = Frw560,000 Special vehicle = Frw640,000	Head of Motor Vehicle Division Tel: 0788185626

Motorcycle registration and issuance of number plate	 Clearance documents given by licensed dealers or customs clearance documents if imported by an individual / company Proof of payment of customs duties and taxes Registration form filed and stamped with company stamp of a licensed dealer. Proof of payment of motorcycle registration fees 1 passport size photo Photocopy of the ID or Passport (for foreigners) Note Motorcycle registration is done at RRA-HQ - Kimihurura and at RRA Regional Offices 	2 days	Registration fees of Frw75,000 are paid once in accordance with the engine capacity (0-1000cc = Frw 75,000)	Group Leader in Charge of Licensing, Registration and Documentation Unit Tel: 0788185627
Registration of vehicle/ Motorcycle with personalized number plates	 Possess customs clearance documents Proof of payment of customs duties and taxes Proof of payment of motor vehicle/ Motorcycle registration fees Application letter specifying personalized words to be written on the number plates 1 passport size photo in case of Motorcycle registration Photocopy of the ID or Passport (for foreigners) 	½ Day	Number plate fees: Frw2,000,000	



Registration of Vehicles and Motorcycles with IT Number plates	 Customs clearance documents A letter of guarantee for temporary importation regime An exemption letter signed by the Commissioner for Customs Services Department Proof of payment of motor vehicle registration fees Note: Vehicle/ Motorcycle registration is done at RRA-Customs Services Office (Gikondo=MAGERWA). 	1 day	Registration fees are paid once depending on the motor vehicle engine capacity as follows: 0-1000cc= Frw75,000 1001-1500= Frw160,000 1501-3000= Frw250,000 3001-4500= Frw420,000 4501and above= Frw560,000 Special vehicle = Frw640,000	Head of Motor Vehicle Division Tel: 0788185626
Registration of UN/CD Number plates	 Customs clearance documents MINAFET documents confirming diplomatic status of the applicant Proof of payment of motor vehicle registration fees Note: Vehicle/ Motorcycle registration is done at RRA Gikondo Offices. 	1 day	Registration fees are paid once depending on the vehicle/ Motorcycle engine capacity as follows: 0-1000cc= Frw75,000 1001-1500= Frw160,000 1501-3000=Frw250,000 3001-4500=Frw420,000 4501and above= Frw560,000 Special vehicle = Frw640,000	

	4501and above= Frw560,000 Special vehicle = Frw640,000	Change UN/ CD Number plates to private number plate	 Possess Inactivity certificate confirming remittance of UN/CD plate and log book Proof of payment of customs duties; Sale agreement 1 passport size photo Photocopy of Identity card/Passport (for foreigners) The buyer must possess a TIN 	1 day	Frw560,000 Special vehicle =	Head of Motor Vehicle Division Tel: 0788185626
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Plate change of motor vehicles/	Possess Inactivity certificate confirming remittance of IT plate and log book	1 day	Registration fees are paid once depending on the vehicle/ Motorcycle engine capacity as follows:	Head of Motor Vehicle Division
Motorcycle with IT number plates	 Proof of payment of customs duties; Sale agreement 1 passport size photo Photocopy of Identity/Passport(for foreigners) The buyer must possess a TIN 		0-1000cc= Frw75,000 1001-1500= Frw160,000 1501-3000=Frw250,000 3001-4500=Frw420,000 4501and above= Frw560,000 Special vehicle = Frw640,000	Tel: 0788185626

Motor vehicle/ Motorcycle de- registration	 Payment of tax arrears if any; Submit/Return the log book & Number plate Note: Vehicle/ Motorcycle de-registration is done at: RRA Customs Services Offices-Gikondo-MAGERWA RRA- HQ And the following RRA Offices: SOUTHERN PROVINCE Huye Nyanza Nyamagabe Ruhango 	1 hour at the service desk	Free	Head of Motor Vehicle Division Tel: 0788185626
	EASTERN PROVINCE 1. Nyagatare 2. Rwamagana 3. Gatsibo 4. Bugesera NOTHERN PROVINCE 1. Musanze 2. Gicumbi WESTERN PROVINCE 1. Karongi 2. Rusizi 3. Rubavu			



Motor Vehicle/	For individual:	½ day	Transfer fees:	Head of
cycle Ownership	Request done online by the taxpayer on RRA website		Frw 60,000/ for vehicles	Motor Vehicle
Transfer	Contract of sale/cession/donation1 passport size photo for the buyer;		Frw 30,000 for motor cycles	Division
	Photocopy of the ID Card or passport (for foreigners) for the buyer		Thotor cycles	Tel:
	 Tax Identification Number for the buyer (TIN); 			0788185626
	 Motor vehicle physical verification (approved on line by RIED officers) 			
	 Original vehicle Log Book; The motor vehicle must be free from 			
	tax liabilities; Presence of the buyer and the seller at			
	RRA offices for signature;			
	 Completed and signed transfer ownership form; 			
	Companies/Organizations must present the:			
	 Evidence of the legal status for associations and other legal entities; and 			
	RDB registration Certificate for companies			
	Note:			
	1. In absence of the seller, the seller representative must present the power of attorney signed by the Notary or Rwandan Embassy for Rwandans leaving abroad			
	2. Buyers who have no TIN can get it from RRA Motor Vehicle Division			

Transfer of auctioned Motor vehicle/ Motor cycle by Government Agencies (GR, RDF, RNP)	 Sales agreement Payment receipt « Acquit de droit » or "To Whom It May Concern" 1 passport size photo for the buyer; Photocopy of the ID Card or passport (for foreigners) for the buyer; Tax Identification Number (TIN) for the buyer; 	1 hour	Registration fees are paid once depending on the vehicle/ Motorcycle engine capacity as follows: 0-1000cc= Frw75,000 1001-1500= Frw160,000 1501-3000=Frw250,000 3001-4500=Frw420,000 4501and above= Frw560,000 Special vehicle = Frw640,000	Group Leader in Charge of Licensing, Registration and Documentation Unit Tel: 0788185627 Head of Motor Vehicle Division Tel: 0788185626
Duplicate of lost logbook of motor Vehicle/ Motorcycle	 Online request A loss certificate given by Rwandan National Police Station Pay fees for duplicate Log Book Pay ownership certificate 	1 hour	Frw 6,000	
Duplicate of Lost Number Plate of motor vehicle/ Motorcycle	 A loss Certificate given by Rwandan National Police Station Pay fees for duplicate plate Motor vehicle /motor cycle physical checking form signed and stamped by a Revenue Investigation officer Note: Request is done online by the taxpayer. 	½ day	Frw 15,000/ for one lost number plate for vehicles; Frw 15,000 for lost motor cycle number plate;	



Change of old Motor vehicle/cycle number plate	 Motor vehicle /motor cycle physical checking form signed and stamped by a Revenue Investigation officer Return old number plate (s) for destruction Pay fees for duplicate plate Note: Request is done online by the taxpayer. 	½ day	Frw 15,000 for one piece for one old motor vehicle number plate; Frw 15,000 for an old motor cycle number plate;	Group Leader in Charge of Licensing, Registration and Documentation Unit Tel: 0788185627
Change of old motor vehicle/ cycle log book	 Return old log book Pay fees for duplicate log book Note: Request is done online by the taxpayer. 	1 hour	Frw 5,000	Motor Vehicle Division Tel: 0788185626

Note: * Time frame considered is after submitting all required documents

4.4. ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES AND FORMS

SERVICES	REQUIREMENTS	TIMELINE	COST	CONTACT PERSONS
Issuance of tax clearance certificate	Online Application and Immediate payment for application fee.	3 working days	Application fee of Frw 5,000	Head of
Tax arrears certificate (for public tender purpose)	 Approved installment payment plan; Proof of payment for application fee; 	2 working days	Frw 5,000	Tax Return Section Tel: 0788185623
Issuance of "Quitus Fiscal"	 Filed at least 2 years on income tax, and one year for VAT Imported at least 4 times the previous year Imported goods at least with CIF of 20 million Frw in the last year Domestic company registration certificate; Free of tax liabilities; Filed and paid PAYE and VAT as required with detailed attachments Physical business address in Rwanda Has not been convicted for tax evasion Use of electronic payment system Use of Electronic Invoicing System Has a recommendation letter from PSF Proof of payment of application fee Filled application form; Submit certified Financial statement (where applicable) 	5 working days	Frw 10,000	



Issuance of a tax payment certificate	 Application letter Passport copy or ID for Rwandans Invoice copy if involved in business Physical address of the applicant in the homeland 	2 working days	Free	Head of Tax Return Section Tel: 0788185623
Issuance of tax stamps on tobacco, liquors and wines	 Register in the tax stamp management system (https://excisestamps.rra.gov.rw) Make a request for the tax stamp in the system mentioned above. Make payment immediately after making the request. Upload Customs documents for importers; Attach Proof of payment; Fill the application form and upload it in the system. Request letter for local manufacturers; Submit quantity of goods. 	 3 working days for Imported Liquors, wine and Tobacco. 3 working days for Liquors, wine and tobacco produced locally. 1 month for bulk importers of tobacco 	Frw15F/ per piece for Liquors and wine. Frw8.69/ per piece for Tobacco. NB: Prices may Change depending on the Dollar rate.	Head of Audit Division Tel: 0788185759

Note: * Time frame considered is after submitting all the required documents

4.5. VAT REFUND AND INSTALLMENT PAYMENT FACILITY

SERVICES	REQUIREMENTS	TIMELINE	COST	CONTACT PERSONS
VAT Refund request below: • 500,000 for Small Taxpayers • 2,000,000 for Medium Taxpayers • 5,000,000 for Large Taxpayers	Filing VAT online; Automatically carried forward for the next declaration	15 days (after the due date)	Free	Refund Group Leader/ Small Taxpayers Tel: 0788185637
VAT Refund request above: • 500,000 for Small Taxpayers • 2,000,000 for Medium Taxpayers • 5,000,000 for Large Taxpayers	 Filing VAT online Applicant Bank account Declaration of input within its period Any other accounting documents (if requested) 	90 days after the due date	Free	Or Refund Group Leader / Medium Taxpayers Tel: 0788185608



VAT refund for privileged persons	 a) Privileged persons Diplomatic passport from his /her Country Diplomatic card from Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Rwanda; 	60 days	Free	
	 Work Permit in Rwanda EBM receipts Bank Account Number Fill the online application form 			Refund Group Leader /Large Taxpayers Tel:
	 b) Projects or NGOs Agreement between the government of Rwanda and the donor Memorandum of understanding or agreement between the project or NGO and the government of Rwanda Ratified agreement EBM Receipts Bank account number to credited Fill the online application form 	60 days	Free	0788185581

VAT refund for taxpayers with an investment certificate	 Filing VAT declaration; Proof of input tax on local purchases and imports EBM sales invoices Bank statements Cash books, General ledgers and Other accounting documents Current bank account and addresses (Telephone, E-mail, etc) 	15 days	Free	Refund Group Leader/ Medium Tel: 0788185637 Or Refund Group Leader/ Small Tel: 0788185608
Installment Payment facility	 Application letter to the Commissioner General; Proof of payment of 10% of the total arrears Bank/Insurance security guarantee, or tender contract or movable/ immovable assets or standing order 	3 days	Free	Chief Tax Collector Tel: 0788185613

Note: * Time frame considered is after submitting all the required documents



4.6. SERVICES RELATED TO EBM

SERVICES	REQUIREMENTS	TIMELINE	COST	CONTACT PERSONS
EBM activation	 VAT registration certificate RDB registration certificate for companies Copy of ID or Passport (for foreigners) Application form signed by the owner or legal representative of companies 	1 hour	Free	EBM Support Team. +250788185463 +250788185702
EBM V1 Machine Local audit	EBM machineSDC all in one machine device	2 hours	Free	
EBM Machine De-activation/ suspension	 Acceptance letter of Deregistration from the deregistering entity Present EBM device to be deactivated Written letter to RRA requesting this service 	2 hours	Free	EBM Support Team. +250788185132 +250788185100 +250788185702
Deactivation of EBM Machine damaged	 Report from EBM Supplier Local audit file Physical presence of EBM device to be deactivated Written letter to RRA 	2 hours	Free	

Request for password for EBM V2	 Fill the Request form provided by RRA Copy of ID or passport (for foreigners) Power of attorney if the applicant is not the owner of business. 	30 minutes	Free	EBM Support Team. +250788185132 +250788185100 +250788185702
Request for EBM sales in system	 Fill the request form provided by RRA and attach copy of ID or passport (for foreigners) Power of attorney if the applicant is not the owner of business. 	30 minutes	Free	EBM Support Team. +250788185702 +250788185463 +250788185100
Issuance of certificate of using EBM	Written letter to Head of EBM Division requesting for the certificate	1 day	Free	
Technical assistance for EBM with technical problems	Present the problem to RRA officer to help sort out the problem	2 hours	Free	EBM Support Team. +250788185131 +250788185702
Installation of EBMV 2 after training	 Fill online form (https://ebm2.rra.gov.rw) Copy of RDB Certificate Copy of VAT Certificate Copy of ID of the owner /share holder If not owner, powers of attorney letter is needed (procuration) Have a Computer/laptop 	3 hours	Free	EBM Support Team. +250788185132 +250788185100



Training on EBM V2 usage	 Physical presence of the trainee and ability to follow up training Knowledge on Computer Skills Able to read & write 	4 Hours	Free	EBM Support Team. +250788185132 +250788185100
Re-installation of EBM V2 when a computer gets damaged or needs to be repaired	 Request letter from owner of the Company to Head of EBM Division Bring to RRA Computer/ Laptop for re-installation of EBM V2 software. 	1 Day	Free	EBM Support Team. +250788185132 +250788185100
Computer/ laptop containing EBMV2 software gets permanently Crushed	 A letter to RRA requesting for a new software Bring to RRA the Hard disk that has been permanently crushed 	3 Days	Free	EBM Support Team. +250788185132 +250788185100
Changing EBM V2 Software from one Computer to another	 Request Letter to RRA Bring computer holding EBM V2 Bring a new computer to install software 	3hrs	Free	EBM Support Team. +250788185132 +250788185100

General technical support for EBM V2	Being able to connect to Internet Call on telephone EBM Staff for support OPTION 2 Come to EBM office with a Computer containing EBM V2 for support	30 Minutes	Free	EBM Support Team. +250788185132 +250788185100 +250788185702
Certification of traders software	 Submit all administrative requirements to cis_sdc_ certification@rra.gov.rw which include: Business Registration Certificate Valid RSSB Clearance Certificate Valid RRA Tax Clearance Certificate Product brochure Product warranty statement Physical address Product User manual Installation guide Programming and configuration manual CIS software (on Optical Disk storage) Tool to manage database Note: Additional information can be requested to proceed the evaluation if necessary. Fulfill all required technical specifications found at https://www.rra.gov.rw/fileadmin/user_upload/20180328_tspe_cis_v4.pdf 	5 working days for approval of Administrative requirements 20 working days for the certification to be issued	Free	EBM Certification Technical Team +250788185105



Note: * Time frame considered is after submitting all required documents

4.7. SERVICES RELATED TO DECENTRALISED TAXES

SERVICES	REQUIREMENTS	TIMELINE	COST	CONTACT PERSONS
Installment	Application letter	15 days	Free	Head of
Payment facility	 Proof of payment of 10% of the 			Enforcement and
	total arrears.			Taxpayers Account
	Note: If the total amount to be paid			Division
	is more than 500,000 the taxpayer			Tel 0788185613
	is requested to provide a guarantee.			

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4.8. SERVICES RELATED TO CUSTOMS SERVICES DEPARTMENT

SERVICES	REQUIREMENTS	TIMELINE	COST	CONTACT PERSONS
Processing of customs import declaration	 Use of customs clearing agency Online customs declaration through ReSW Invoice Bill of lading Packing list Certificate of origin (if applicable) Import permit/license where applicable N.B: All goods which value is above Frw 500,000 must be declared through clearing agencies 	Timeline varies according to the selectivity of goods: • AEO / Gold card scheme / Blue channel: 1 hour • Yellow channel: 1.5 days • Red channel: 2 days	Frw 3,000	Head of Outstations Division Tel: 0788185602 Or Head of Kigali Field Operations Division Tel: 0788185675
Simplified declaration	 Have a TIN Invoice Certificate of origin (if applicable) Import permit/license where applicable N.B: The value of goods depends on the threshold on the boarder. 	2 hours	Frw 500	



Processing of customs export declaration	 Use of customs clearing agency Export declaration EBM Invoice Export License (if required) Certificate of origin (if applicable) 	6 hours	Frw 3,000	Head of Outstations Division Tel: 0788185602
Validation of Transit declaration (T1)	Transit declarationOnline application	10 minutes 1 day	Free \$10	Head of Outstations Division Tel: 0788185602 Or Head of Kigali Field Operations Division Tel: 0788185675
Licensing of Clearing Agencies	Online application in ReSW Other requirements as provided by the Customs Management Act and Commissioner's instruction via https://www.rra.gov.rw/index.php?id=262	Application is done within 30 days from the date of public announcement The publication of result is done in 45 days after the deadline	☐ \$50 Application fees ☐ \$400 License fees	Legal officer Tel:0788185718

Licensing of bonded warehouse Operators	 Online application in ReSW Other requirements as provided by the CMA and Commissioner's instruction via https://www.rra.gov.rw/index.php?id=251 	 Application is done within 30 days from the date of public announcement The publication of result is done in 45 days after the deadline 	\$1500 per License	Head of Trade Management Division Tel:0788185674
Licensing Vehicles of transit goods.	Online application in ReSW	2hours	License fee • \$200 per vehicle • \$400 for Pulling trailer	
Request for temporary importation	As provided by the Customs Management Act and Commissioner's instruction via https:// www.rra.gov.rw/index. php?id=370	2 days	Free	
Exemption of Passengers' Baggage and personal effects that the passenger has owned and used	 Online application Packing list of the imported goods Recommendation from Rwandan Embassy in the country where the applicant resided (for Rwandan returnees) Employment contract or work permit (for foreigners coming to Rwanda) 	2 days	Free	



Exemption of motor vehicle	 Online application Arrival notice Bill of lading or airway bill; Invoice /logbook and insurance document of the motor vehicle in original form NB: The exemption is allowed for one vehicle (excluding buses and minibuses of seating capacity of more than 13 passengers and load carrying vehicles of load carrying capacity exceeding two tones) which the passenger has personally owned and used outside a Partner State for at least twelve months (excluding the period of the voyage in the case 	2 days	Free	Head of Trade Management Division Tel:0788185674
Customs	of shipment)Online application	2 days	Free	
Exemptions for other goods	 Original invoices; Packing list of the imported goods Online exemption application approved by the line Ministry depending on the nature of goods Exemption application form depending on the nature of goods 	2 44,0		

Certificate of Origin	☐ Invoice ☐ On line Application	30 minutes	Free	Senior Customs Officer in Charge of Rules of Origin Tel:0788185676
Special regime fa	cility:			
-Offloading on truck (déchargement sur camion)	Online application via ReSWLogged declaration	2 working hours	Free	Head of special regime unit Tel:0788185699
-Offloading and Re-loading (Dech-Rech)	Online application via ReSWLogged declaration	4 working hours	Free	Head of special regime unit Tel:0788185699
-Direct delivery (DAD)	Online application via ReSWLogged declaration	1 day	Free	Head of special regime unit Tel:0788185699
Request for advance rulings	 Online application Proforma or Commercial invoice Certificate of analysis (if applicable) Parking list Bill of lading Proposed HSC where applicable Catalogue of product where applicable 	10 days	Free	Head of Trade Management Division Tel:0788185674
Application for duty remission	 Application letter List of products Certificate of Registration of the company 	Quarterly	Free	



Motor vehicles entry cards	 Copy of log book Driver's passport Driver's driving permit Exit card from neighboring country Application letter 	30 minutes 30 minutes	Free for EAC Members & Others pay Frw 15,000	Head of Outstations Division
Extension of entry card	 Entry card given at the border Copy of log book Driver's passport Driver's driving permit 			Tel: 0788185602
Change of destination	Online application	30 minutes	\$10	Head of Kigali Field Operations Division Tel: 0788185675
Change of ownership	 Online Application Tax Clearance Certificate Sales contract EBM Invoice Bill of lading 	30 minutes	\$10	Head of Kigali Field Operations Division Tel: 0788185675
Response to the appeal	 Application letter Detailed address (Telephone, District, sector, cell and village) P.O. Box / E-mail 	30 days	Free	Head of Objections and Appeals Unit Tel:0788185703
Scanning cargo	Online application	10 minutes	Free	Head of Kigali Field Operations Division Tel: 0788185675

Refund of caution money/ Excess payments	 Application letter to the Commissioner for Customs Department; Proof of payment Customs Declaration 	30 days	Free	Head of Airport Operations Unit Tel:0788185717
Request for hard copy of customs documents: - Customs declarations - Attachments to declarations	Application formProof of payment	8hrs	5\$/ Document	Head of Trade Management Division Tel:0788185674 Or Head of Statistics and Documentation Unit Tel:0788185718
Request for copy of customs statistics: Exports, Imports, Transit, etc	Application letterProof of payment	1 day	Frw 5,000 per year and per regime	Head of Trade Management Division Tel:0788185674 Or Head of Statistics and Documentation Unit Tel:0788185718

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