

GIFT AID INCOME

What is Gift Aid?

Gift Aid is tax relief on money donated to UK Charities. Many people are uncertain about whether they are entitled to sign a Gift Aid declaration or whether they can sign more than one declaration.

If a member pays tax through income or their pension, through capital gains tax or if they pay tax on savings, they can claim Gift Aid.

How does Gift Aid benefit the Fellowship?

Central Office process the claim for the Fellowship on behalf of every branch and send to HMRC based on the total subscription for each member. It is therefore important to make sure that Central Office knows the branch's membership subscription rate.

If a branch has 50 members and a subscription fee of £30.

The Branch Treasurer sends capitation fees of £1000 to Central Office (50 x £20)

To work out the branch refund:-

Membership fee of £30 less £20 capitation fee = £10

Refund to branch = 25% of £10 = £2.50 per member x 50 members = £125 sent to branch.

Members can sign more than one Gift Aid declaration.

A member can sign a Gift Aid declaration for the NHS Retirement Fellowship, the National Trust, a local church, the Women's Institute and many others registered charities provided that the total Gift Aid rebate does not exceed the total amount of tax paid. Gift Aid rebate is 25p in the pound.

If a member makes various donations to registered charities totalling £100, they can sign Gift Aid declarations for this amount provided they pay tax of £25. If they donate £1000 to registered charities they can sign Gift Aid declarations for this amount provided they pay tax of £250.

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