

POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TAXATION (PGDT) FAQs AND RESPONSES

- 1. Question: When will the last examination sitting for the Diploma in Taxation be held.**

Answer: The last examination sitting will be in December 2026. The Diploma in Taxation & PGDT will run side by side from December 2025 until December 2026

- 2. Question: When will the first exam sitting for the new Post Graduate Diploma in Taxation be held.**

Answer: The first exam for the new Post Graduate Diploma in Taxation will be held in December 2025.

- 3. Question: What are the entry requirements for the Post Graduate Diploma in Taxation?**

Answer: 5 credits or better including Mathematics and English and a Bachelor's Degree or any qualification recognised at ZQF level 7 by the Zambia Qualifications Authority (ZAQA)

- 4. Question: At what level is the Post Graduate Diploma in Taxation placed on the Zambia Qualifications Framework?**

Answer: The PGDT is quality assured and is placed at ZQF Level 8 on the Zambia Qualifications Framework.

- 5. Question: How many subjects are in the Post Graduate Diploma in Taxation?**

Answer: The PGDT has 8 subjects as below:

1. PGDT 1: Financial Accounting and Reporting
2. PGDT 2: Law of Taxation
3. PGDT 3: Direct Taxes
4. PGDT 4: Indirect and Trade Taxes
5. PGDT 5: International Taxation
6. PGDT 6: Transfer Pricing
7. PGDT 7: Tax Audit and Investigations
8. PGDT 8: Tax Management and Planning

6. Question: Are there exemptions for this programme?

Answer: Yes, exemptions are available as follows:

1.	Holder of CA Zambia, ACCA, CIMA, and other recognized professional accounting qualifications	PGDT 1: Financial Accounting and Reporting PGDT 3: Direct Taxes PGDT 4: Indirect and Trade Taxes
2	Holder of CA Application Advanced Diploma in Accountancy, recognised Degree in Accountancy or other recognised level ZQF7 accounting qualifications	PGDT 1: Financial Accounting and Reporting PGDT 3: Direct Taxes PGDT4: Indirect and Trade Taxes
3.	Holder of the Advanced Diploma in International Taxation (ADIT)	PGDT5: International Taxation PGDT 6: Transfer Pricing
4.	Holders of the Bachelor of Laws.	PGDT 2: Law of Taxation
5.	Holders of the Bachelor of Economics, other recognized non –accounting related degrees and ZQF level 7 qualifications	No exemption

7. Question: What conversions will someone who has done the Diploma in Taxation subjects have?

Answer: The conversions are as follows:

Paper in Certificate/ Diploma in Taxation	Paper in PGDT in which conversion pass should be awarded
C1 Business Management	No equivalent paper in PGDT
C2 Economics and Financial Mathematics	No equivalent paper in PGDT
C3 Accountancy for Tax Practitioners	PGDT 1: Financial Accounting and Reporting
C4 Direct Taxes	PGDT 3 Direct Taxes
C5 Indirect Taxes	PGDT 4 Indirect and Trade Taxes
C6 Law for Tax Practitioners	No equivalent paper in PGDT
D1 Business Information Management	No equivalent paper in PGDT
D2 Financial Management	No equivalent paper in PGDT
D3 Business Taxation	PGDT 3 Direct Taxes
D4 Personal Taxation	PGDT 3 Direct Taxes
D5 International Taxation	PGDT 5 International Taxation
D6 Tax Audit and Investigation	PGDT 7 Tax Audit & Investigation

8. Question: What are the progression rules?

Answer:

- A candidate who has not yet passed Financial Reporting, shall not be allowed to attempt Direct Taxes, Indirect and Trade Taxes, International Taxation, Transfer pricing, Tax Audit and Investigations and Tax Planning and Management.

- A candidate who has not yet passed Law of Taxation, Direct Taxes and Indirect and Trade Taxes shall not be allowed to attempt International Taxation, Transfer pricing, Tax Audit and Investigations and Tax Planning and Management
- A candidate who has not passed Law of Taxation, Direct Taxes, Indirect and Trade Taxes, International Taxation, and Transfer Pricing shall not be allowed to attempt Tax Audit and Investigations and Tax Planning and Management

9. Question: How many times will PGDT examinations be conducted in a year?

Answer: PGDT examinations will be conducted twice in a year during the June and December Examination sessions.