

DO YOU GIFT AID YOUR SUBSCRIPTION?



1. WHAT IS GIFT AID?

Gift Aid is a UK government scheme that allows charities to claim an extra 25p for every £1 you donate. There is no additional cost to you and it boosts the value of your donations significantly.

2. HOW DOES IT WORK?

When you donate to a charity, you're giving money that has already been taxed. By agreeing to Gift Aid, the charity can reclaim the basic rate tax (20%) you paid on your donation from HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC).

3. WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR GIFT AID?

You must be a UK taxpayer to use Gift Aid. The amount of tax you pay must be at least equal to the amount the charity will reclaim on your donations.

4. HOW CAN I REGISTER FOR GIFT AID?

You need to complete the Gift Aid declaration form which confirms that you are a taxpayer and allows the charity to claim the tax back on your donations.

5. CAN I GIFT AID PAST DONATIONS?

Yes, you can include donations made in the **last four years**, as long as you have paid enough tax during that time (see 3).

6. WHAT IF I STOP PAYING TAX?

If you stop paying enough tax to cover your Gift Aid donations, you must inform the charities you support. Otherwise, HMRC may ask you to pay the difference.

7. IF I AM A HIGHER RATE TAX PAYER CAN I BENEFIT FROM GIFT AID?

Yes, if you pay higher or additional-rate tax, you can claim the difference between the higher rate and the basic rate of tax on your donation through your Self-Assessment tax return.