



COMPLIANCE FOCUS 2011/2012



Inland Revenue released its compliance focus document for the 2011/2012 year at the end of last month.

They have identified four key “themes” that they will be focusing on:

- ❖ Making sure everyone pays and receives the correct amount of tax
- ❖ Receiving the correct information at the right time
- ❖ Making sure everyone files and pays their taxes on time
- ❖ Providing confidence and certainty to IRD customers

Under each of these themes there are a number of specific areas which the IRD will be zeroing in on which include:

- ❖ Diverting personal income –through creating structures to minimize tax obligations (*e.g. child support*) or increase tax entitlements (*e.g. WFTC*).
- ❖ Generation and use of excessive losses –through claiming deductions for items that aren’t real economic losses.
- ❖ Misuse of Charities - through creating false invoices/receipts to exploit tax-exempt status.
- ❖ Offshore & international issues – using offshore investments and accounts to misrepresent income
- ❖ Fraud and identity theft – stealing others identities to access their tax refunds (*e.g. hoax emails circulating claiming to be from IRD in order to access personal details*).
- ❖ The hidden economy – through working in cash to avoid taxes such as PAYE and GST (*e.g. paying employees from the till*).
- ❖ Record keeping – making businesses aware of the records they are required to keep and for how long.
- ❖ Income from property – ensuring taxable property sales are fully accounted for (*e.g. for property speculators and dealers*).

For more info on IRD’s 2011/2012 compliance focus see the IRD website:

<http://www.ird.govt.nz/aboutir/gettingitright/focus/current-focus-public-index.html>

Let Us Know

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Reminder

**28th August – June/July 2011 GST for 2 monthly filers
1st Provisional Tax instalment**

PRIZE DRAW

Congratulations to Lyn Grep who won the \$40 voucher from Everyman Records.

This month's prize is a dozen cupcakes from Willow Sands the "cake lady" at the Saturday Market. To go in the draw email rebecca@savage.co.nz and tell us you want to enter.

You need to do this by the 26th August. The winner will be published in next month's newsletter.

You have to be in to win - Good Luck!



The Department of Internal Affairs recently launched a new website: www.communitymatters.govt.nz which provides a community advice and support service.

The website also contains information on how to apply for grant funding from the lottery, Crown funded schemes and certain trusts/fellowships.

ANNUAL ACCOUNTS REMINDER

We are now nearly halfway through the current financial year and it is time to get last year's accounts and taxes sorted!

So give your cashbooks a tidy-up, backup your computer file or gather all your receipts and bank statements together and drop in with your completed client questionnaire forms for us to get started.

Featured Client



In an age of technical and, at times, impersonal medicine, massage therapy offers a drug-free, non-invasive and humanistic approach based on the body's natural ability to heal itself.

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Owner of Massage Therapy Allan Heta Cleaver is a qualified and experienced practitioner. He has eleven years clinical practice in both Medical and Osteopathic Centres as well as his own private practices.

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- Trigger Point
- Stress Reduction
- Pre / Post Natal
- Foot Joint Mobilisation
- Hot Stones

For more info or to book an appointment contact Allan today!

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All of us here at Savage & Savage can vouch for Allan's excellent work as we have a standing fortnightly appointment with him!

Won Line-ers

The secret to success is knowing who to blame for your failures!