

South African Revenue Service

Dear Stakeholder

TAX DIRECTIVES: TRADE TESTING DATES AND SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION

SARS will introduce enhancements to the Tax Directives process as indicated in the IBIR-006 Tax Directives Interface Specification Version 6.303. The trade testing dates are still to be confirmed and the implementation of the software is planned for the first quarter of the 2022/23 financial year (1 March 2022 – 31 May 2022). You will receive communication with regards to the exact dates for trade testing and the implementation date closer to the time.

The Tax Directives Interface Specification is available on the SARS website <u>www.sars.gov.za</u> and you are encouraged to review the document prior to testing.

Please follow these steps to submit test files:

Step 1: Before testing can commence, you will need to email 10 taxpayer reference numbers to <u>ncts@sars.gov.za</u> to ensure the numbers are active. In the email subject line, use **"Tax reference numbers for Trade Testing". A maximum of 10 taxpayer reference numbers will be allowed.**

Step 2: You will be notified via the same email address to confirm when testing may commence.

For trade testing queries please email ncts@sars.gov.za

Sincerely

THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE

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