





# **Air Passenger Tax**



## Effective Date: 30 June 2025

## **TABLE OF CONTENTS**

1	PURPOSE	3
2	POLICY STATEMENT	3
3	REFERENCES	3
3.1	Legislation	3
3.2	Cross References	3
4	DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS	3

Revision: 7



ican Revenue Service Effective Date: 30 June 2025

### 1 PURPOSE

a) The purpose of this policy is to outline the liability requirements of operators for Air Passenger Tax (APT) in terms of Section 47B.

- b) Operators liable for APT must submit their returns and payments within 21 days following the end of each accounting period.
- c) APT officers at Oliver Reginald Tambo International Airport (ORTIA) administer and manage the APT.

## **2 POLICY STATEMENT**

- a) The requirement for APT registration is described in SC-CF-19.
- b) Operators must submit their return through eFiling as described in APT-03.
- c) The accounting period for APT is one (1) calendar month. A calendar month commences on the first day and ends on the last day of the month.
- d) The operators must submit their passenger manifest using eFiling as described in APT-03 External Guide.
- e) The operators can now also use eFiling to pay for the Letter of Demand amounts due.
- f) Where the last day for submission of the account and payment falls on a weekend or public holiday, the account and payment must be submitted on the last official working day before that day.
- g) Payments must be submitted as prescribed in Rule 119A.R101A(10)(d) in the format and in accordance with the procedures specified in the eFiling service. The payment rules are described in GEN-PAYM-01-G01.
- If operators are unable to access the eFiling service, they must contact the SARS Contact Centre for assistance.

#### 3 REFERENCES

#### 3.1 Legislation

TYPE OF REFERENCE	REFERENCE
Legislation and Rules	Customs and Excise Act No. 91 of 1964: Sections 1, 44A, 47B, 48(6), 98,
administered by SARS:	99(1), 101, 101A and 105
	Customs and Excise Rules: 47B.07 – 47B.10 and Rule 119A.R101A(10)(d)
Other Legislation:	None
International Instruments:	None

### 3.2 Cross References

DOCUMENT #	DOCUMENT TITLE
APT-03	Air Passenger Tax – External Guide
GEN-PAYM-01-G01	SARS Payment Rules – External Guide
SC-CF-19	Registration Licensing and Designation – External Policy

## 4 DEFINITIONS AND ACRONYMS

The definitions, acronyms and abbreviations can be accessed via the following link: Glossary A-M | South African Revenue Service (sars.gov.za)

Revision: 7