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BRENTHURST
THE HOME OF WEALTH

THE POWER OF INDEPENDENT ADVICE

MAKING INVESTING OFFSHORE EASIER

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For many years Brenthurst Wealth has been advocating increasing our client's offshore allocation due to the many macro-economic factors and uncertainties within our country's borders and parliament. A strategy that has worked in our client's favour as well as our own.

Brenthurst is for ever investigating different opportunities to add value to our client offering, **that something** that pushes us to the *TOP*** and thus we offer an in-house Forex service to clients.

THIS SERVICE INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:

- ✓ **Opening of private savings accounts for forex trading purposes**
- ✓ **Applying for tax clearance certificates online**
- ✓ **Administration with regards to forex booking and trading**
- ✓ **Securing a highly competitive rate**

TAKE NOTE:

Legislation currently provides that South African tax-payers with a green barcoded ID or new ID card, can transfer up to R10 000 000 annually offshore under their Financial Capital Allowance (FCA), which requires SARS tax clearance. In addition, the same person is also entitled to an annual Single Discretionary Allowance (SDA) amounting to R1 000 000.

This can be used for travel, studies, acquiring physical property or to invest in offshore instruments. Under the age of eighteen (18) you are entitled to a travel allowance only to the value of R200 000 per annum. This SDA does not require tax clearance and is applicable per calendar year. Note that no unused allowance may be carried forward.

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In certain circumstances and with motivation SARS do allow repatriation of an amount more than your annual FCA.

Clients that travel abroad several times during the year must carefully keep track of their spending and the currencies they purchase on these trips, especially if they make use of their SDA for investing offshore. If you make use of only one bank or forex trader in order to purchase foreign currency for your transactions, the bank will inform you immediately if you have breached your allowance for the current year. If it is done via multiple institutions, which is most often the case, it may only be picked up months down the line. A couple of years ago, I had a client that was in violation of the annual allowance – which was flagged by SARB, but only three years after the actual investment was made. In this case the amount was minimal, and the client came to an agreement with SARB, without any penalties.

To date I have not encountered a case where SARB has penalised (fined) a client for exceeding their allowance. That is not to say that they won't, which is at their discretion, dependant on the severity of the breach.

If a client is found negligent then SARB will apply penalties, and they will insist the client to repatriate foreign individual allowance exceeded amounts.

HOW CAN WE FURTHER HELP YOU:

Brenthurst assist clients in direct offshore investments structures which can make payments into almost any currency around the globe – your money does not have to come back to South Africa! These investments are tailored to each client's individual needs and goals. Invested in one of two structures depending on your individual tax-rate to ensure maximum tax efficient investments.

Our legal professionals can also assist you in ensuring that your will is correctly drafted to accommodate your final wishes on your entire world-wide estate. Keeping in mind that different countries have different legislation and estate duties.

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BRENTHURST OFFICES WILL BE CLOSING ON 21 DECEMBER 2018 & WILL BE REOPENING 7 JANUARY 2019

MAY THIS SEASON BE WRAPPED UP WITH CHEER & FILLED WITH *celebration* FOR THE NEW YEAR.

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IN CASE OF EMERGENCY ALL FINANCIAL PLANNERS WILL BE REACHABLE ON THEIR EMAILS OR CELL PHONES OVER THIS TIME