

Self Assessment Mistakes and Delays with Tax Issues

In some circumstances mistakes can occur.

Where a client has had to incur extra costs due to a mistake, or delay, caused by the Inland Revenue, they can be reimbursed for reasonable expenses such as: -

- Postage.
- Professional fees.
- Earnings lost sorting out the issue.

In extreme cases, where the complaint has been badly handled, compensation maybe paid ranging from £25 to £500. Where distress has been caused, additional compensation of £25 to £500 may also be paid.

Overpayment of tax, due to a mistake by the claimant, maybe reclaimed up to 5 years after 31st January following the end of the tax year in question.

Overpayment of tax due to a mistake by the Inland Revenue (or other Government Office) maybe reclaimed at any point, as long as there are no disputed facts in the case.