



*Insurance Premium Tax Act*

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**Definition**

- 1 In this regulation, “**Act**” means the *Insurance Premium Tax Act*.

**Taxable insurer – prescribed insurer**

- 2 For the purposes of paragraph (b) of the definition of “taxable insurer” in section 1 of the Act, the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia is a prescribed insurer.

**Taxable insurer – prescribed class of insurers**

- 3 (1) For the purposes of paragraph (c) of the definition of “taxable insurer” in section 1 of the Act, each of the following groups of persons constitutes a prescribed class of insurers:
  - (a) persons who are members of a reciprocal exchange, as defined in section 186 of the *Financial Institutions Act*, for which a permit under section 187 of that Act has been issued and is in effect;
  - (b) companies that are registered under the *Insurance (Captive Company) Act*;
  - (c) insurers that meet the requirements of subsection (2).
- (2) For the purposes of subsection (1) (c), an insurer must be a purely mutual corporation
  - (a) that is exempt from the application of Parts 1 to 10 of the *Financial Institutions Act*, and
  - (b) whose insurance business in British Columbia is restricted solely to the insurance of churches, schools or other religious or charitable institutions.

**Taxable premium – approved medical services and health care plans**

- 4 For the purposes of paragraph (d) of the definition of “taxable premium” in section 1 of the Act, a medical services or health care plan that meets the following criteria is approved:
  - (a) the plan is established and managed by an insurance company or an extraprovincial insurance corporation that

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- (i) is authorized to carry on insurance business under the *Financial Institutions Act*, and
  - (ii) is a non-profit corporation;
- (b) the plan provides for the payment of benefits directly to a person entitled to practise a designated health profession under the *Health Professions Act*.

**Classes of insurance**

- 5** For the purposes of the Act, “**accident and sickness insurance**”, “**aircraft insurance**”, “**automobile insurance**”, “**hail insurance**”, “**life insurance**” and “**marine insurance**” have the same meanings as in the Classes of Insurance Regulation under the *Financial Institutions Act*.

**Instalment payments threshold**

- 6** For the purposes of section 7 (1) of the Act, the amount prescribed is \$25 000.

**Calculation of interest**

- 7** For the purposes of sections 7 (5), 11 (2) and (3) and 15.1 (1) of the Act, interest payable on amounts due to the government must be
- (a) calculated at the rate prescribed under the Interest Rate under Various Statutes Regulation, B.C. Reg. 386/92, and
  - (b) calculated on a daily basis and compounded monthly.
- [am. B.C. Reg. 229/2018, s. 1.]

**Information sharing – prescribed enactments**

- 8** For the purposes of section 38 (5) (m) of the Act, the following enactments are prescribed:
- (a) the *Business Number Act*;
  - (b) section 8 of the *Financial Administration Act*.
- [en. B.C. Reg. 121/2023, Sch. 3.]