Jurisdiction's name: Nigeria

Information on Tax Identification Numbers

Section I – TIN Description

In Nigeria, TIN is issued to both individuals and business entities. Individuals in employment are given TIN by the States Board of Internal Revenue/Federal Capital Territory Inland Revenue Service (JTB TIN) while members of the armed forces of Nigeria, Nigeria Police Force, diplomat, and corporate entities are issued TIN by the Federal Inland Revenue Service (FIRS). The TIN is a unique identification number to be used by all registered persons/entities for payment of all tax types. Nigeria does not issue separate TIN for different taxes.

Additional information on the mandatory issuance of Tax Identification Numbers (TINs)

Question 1 – Does your jurisdiction automatically issue TINs to all residents for tax purposes?

Individuals[Yes/No] YesEntities[Yes/No] Yes

Question 2a – If you answered No to Question 1 with respect to individuals, describe those instances where individuals are not being automatically issued a TIN.

Response:

Question 2b - If you answered No to Question 1 with respect to Entities (as defined by the CRS), describe those instances where Entities are not being automatically issued a TIN.

Response:

Section II - TIN Structure

TIN issued by the FIRS comprises of numerical values with a hyphen. The structure is eight digits, a hyphen then the 0001 e.g., 12345678-0001 while that of the JTB is purely numerical and contains 10 digits.

Section III – Where to find TINs

- i. Tax Clearance Certificate (individual and corporate)
- ii. Annual tax returns form
- iii. Payment receipts issued by designated collecting banks
- iv. VAT certificates and invoices
- v. JTB tax card
- vi. Revenue receipts issued by tax authorities

Section IV - TIN information on the domestic website

- The link for individual consultation of TIN (issued by JTB); https://tinverification.jtb.gov.ng/
- ii. The link for entity consultation of TIN (issued by FIRS); https://apps.firs.gov.ng/tinverification/

Section V – Contact point for further information

Please provide here the contact details of the competent service authority, which can be contacted in case of further questions on TINs.