



COMPULSORY TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (TIN) FOR OPENING OF BANK ACCOUNTS, BUSINESS REGISTRATION AND VEHICLE REGISTRATION

In the 2010 Revised Budget that was announced on 2nd July 2010, the Prime Minister and Minister for Finance has announced that anyone who has a bank account or wishes to obtain a business registration certificate is required to obtain a TIN from the Fiji Islands Revenue and Customs Authority (FIRCA).

FIRCA wishes to advise the general public that effective from 15th August, 2010, anyone who:

- opens a bank account;
- registers vehicles at LTA (First registration, Renewal of Registration, Transfer of Motor Vehicles and any other transaction contained in the Land Transport Act and Land Transport Regulations);
- Obtains a Driving License (Learners Permit, Provisional License, Full License, Issuance , Renewal (of any class) and any other transaction contained in the Land Transport Act and Land Transport Regulations) at LTA; or
- registers a business with the Registrar of Companies Office,

is required to obtain a TIN by completing TIN registration form and furnishing it to the Customer Enquiry Centre, FIRCA at its office (Suva, Lautoka and Labasa). The registration form (that can be obtained from www.frca.org.fj or from FIRCA office) must be accompanied with a valid identification card (drivers license, FNPF card, certified photo page of Passport), Birth Certificate, or Certified Copy of Passport Photo in case of minor.

FIRCA also wishes to advise that:

- all **existing bank account holders** are to ensure that TIN is provided to the banks by 31 December, 2010 after which a review will be undertaken to determine compliance status .
- all **existing vehicle owners** are to ensure that TIN is provided to LTA at the time of renewal of registration.

- to obtain TIN for business registration at the registrar of Companies office, preliminary documents from companies office is required; and
- the official TIN registration letter from FIRCA should be supplied to Banks, LTA and the Registrar of Companies office to confirm the validity of such TIN.

Should you have any further *queries* please contact taxation call centre on 3243777 or email Mr. Rohit Pillay: rpillay@frca.org.fj.

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