

Annex A

Entities that are exempt from taxation under Part I of the Act¹⁴

Type of Tax-Exempt Organization	Requirement to file return specific to exemption ¹⁵	Able to carry on Business on a Tax-Exempt Basis	Notes
Foreigners employed by a foreign government and their families	No	No	
Crown Corporations and wholly-owned subsidiaries of Crown corporations	No	Yes	
Municipalities or municipal or public bodies performing a function of government in Canada (includes Aboriginal self-governments and virtually any Indian band)	No	Yes	For tax purposes, no geographic limit on income-earning activities.
Municipal Corporations, wholly owned by municipality (includes corporations wholly owned by Aboriginal self-governments and by Indian bands acting as a public body performing a function of government in Canada	No	Generally limited to activities carried on within the geographical boundaries over which the municipality or public body (or Indian band or Aboriginal self-government)	Longstanding practice includes corporations of most Indian bands - to be confirmed by pending amendment to 149(1)(d.5) adding corporations wholly owned by municipal or public body performing a function of government in Canada.

¹⁴ Part I tax is the general tax on income. Other taxes, such as GST, payroll, etc., are not considered for this purpose.

¹⁵ In all cases, a tax-exempt entity that is constituted as a corporation (as opposed to a club, association or trust) is required to file a tax return by reason of being a corporation.

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		exercises authority.	
Agricultural Organizations, Boards of Trade, and Chambers of Commerce	Information return is required if the entity's total investment income exceeds \$10,000 or the value of its assets exceed \$200,000.	Yes	
Registered Charities	Information return is available to the public.	Yes, only related businesses and businesses operated entirely by volunteers.	
The Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada	No	Yes	
Certain Low-cost Housing Corporations, including low cost housing for the aged	No	Limited to the business of providing low-cost housing.	
Non-profit Corporations for Scientific Research and Experimental Development	No	Limited to SRED activities.	
Labour Organizations	No	Yes	
Non-profit Organizations (excluding charities)	Information return is required if the entity's total investment income exceeds	No, although business-like activity may be acceptable if the purpose of the activity was	Where the main purpose of an NPO is to provide dining, recreational or sporting facilities, the income from property related to such facilities in excess of \$2000

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	\$10,000 or the value of its assets exceed \$200,000, or the NPO has filed in a previous year.	social welfare (i.e., a business that is not carried on for the purpose of earning a profit).	is taxable.
Pension trusts, pension corporations, master trusts, RRSPs, RESPs, RDSPs, TFSA's, RRIFs and certain small business corporations that are wholly owned by registered pension plans	Yes	No	Subject to limits in respect of its investments.
Various employee trusts, including a trust to administer a retirement compensation arrangement, a profit sharing plan, a registered supplementary unemployment insurance benefit plan or vacation pay	No	Yes	
Certain insurers (for charitable organizations or fishers and farmers)	No	Insurance Business only.	The exemption for insurers of farmers and fishers may be restricted where risks other than fishing or farm risks are covered by the insurance.
Eligible funeral arrangements and cemetery care trusts	No	Yes	Distributions are taxable.

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Amateur Athletic Trusts	No	No	Income of the athlete is deemed to be income of the trust. Distributions to the athlete are taxable to the athlete.
Registered Canadian Amateur Athletic Associations (RCAAA)	Yes. Budget 2011 announced that the return will be publicly-available.	Budget 2011 clarified that RCAAs are allowed to operate a related business or a business operated entirely by volunteers.	
Certain Trusts to provide compensation for claims against a business	No	Yes	
Qualifying environmental trusts, including trusts that are wholly-owned by the Crown	Tax return required to pay Part XII.4 tax.	No	Subject to a special tax (Part XII.4) that is refundable to the QET's beneficiaries.

Note: Tax may be imposed under other parts of the Income Tax Act, such as in the case of a qualifying environmental trust or a trust governed by a retirement compensation arrangement. A qualifying environmental trust pays a corporate level tax on its income under Part XII.2 of the Income Tax Act which is then credited against the tax payable by the beneficiaries of the trust. A retirement compensation arrangement generally refers to an offside or non-statutory pension plan arrangement that provides benefits on retirement in excess of what is permitted under the rules governing registered plans. To remove the tax benefits associated with such arrangements, a trust governed by a registered compensation arrangement pays a special 50% tax on the contributions and its income, which is refundable when the benefits are paid out.