



GIFT AID FAQs

Q What is GIFT AID?

A Gift Aid is a simple way to increase the value of a donation - at no extra cost to the donor. If an individual pays tax in the UK, PAM can reclaim the basic rate tax (25%) on that donation. So, if £100 is donated, it is worth £125 to PAM.

Q What does this mean?

A In order for PAM to reclaim the tax an individual has paid on a donation, the donor must have paid income or capital gains tax (in the UK) for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) Please note that Gift Aid can only be reclaimed on donations made by individuals who pay UK income or capital gains tax at a rate at least equal to the amount reclaimed on their donations in the current tax year. Other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify.

Q What is GIFT AIDABLE?

A Payments that are

- straight cash donations to a registered charity where the qualifying conditions above are met
- Sponsorship of individuals taking on a challenge

Q WHAT CANNOT BE GIFT AIDED?

A Payments that are:

- Entry fees to events such as golf competitions etc.
- In payment of items bought in charity auctions
- Donations from companies or organisations
- Not paid to a registered charity

(There are various exceptions to these rules so the PAM Treasurer should be consulted if there is doubt about the inclusion or otherwise of certain payments).

Q How does this work in practice?

A The process is simple - all a donor has to do is make a Gift Aid declaration. There are potentially two ways to proceed:

- ❓ PAM uses Mydonate (a BT fundraising service for charities) to collect donations on line on our behalf and will automatically claim back the relative tax on eligible donations. When donating through this route an individual will be asked some simple questions to prove that their donation is eligible to be gift aided. In due course PAM will received the donation along with the reclaimed tax.

The facility is accessible via the Peter Alliss Masters website:

(<http://www.peterallissmasters.org>) through which the donation may be made by credit or debit card.

- ❓ Complete a PAM Gift Aid Declaration form (copy attached) and send this along with a cheque made out to “Peter Alliss Masters” to:

Peter Alliss Masters
c/o R Feldwick
Wychwood
Quarry Bank
Utkinton
Tarporley
Cheshire
CW6 0LR

The first of these options is strongly favoured by PAM as there is no postage or cheque banking involved. Futhermore, it avoids the need for the charity to make a separate claim on HMRC.

If a club or group is expecting a number of donations over a period of (because of sponsorship or other fundraising activities) a separate fundraising page can be set up on Mydonate. This is useful as it records the amount raised (against a target if needs be) and ensures that PAM recognize the source of the incoming donations and account for it accordingly.

Q How does PAM account the incoming donation?

A PAM will accrue all donations into a single account in the relative golf club’s name. This will be maintained until such time as the club instructs PAM to disburse the funds, usually for the purchase of a chair. Most clubs transfer all the related funds that they accrue through their fund raising activities to PAM in so that everything is handled via the charity. Please note that in law any entity who raises in excess of £5000 in charitable income should seek charity registration (with Charity Commission for England & Wales).

Please note that this is very much a summarized description of GIFT AID and a more specific and detailed information is available on the HMRC website – (<https://www.gov.uk/donating-to-charity/gift-aid>)