



Stamp Duty Land Tax Advisory Services



Are your clients considering buying or selling a property, or restructuring their property portfolio?

At Rayner Essex our Stamp Duty Land Tax (SDLT) advisory services are designed to support solicitors, and other professionals on an ad-hoc, case by case basis. Our specialist team can assist you in guiding your clients who are looking to buy or restructure their property portfolio.

We offer expert advice and guidance for businesses with complex property transactions or restructuring, ensuring that the full implications of SDLT are understood and carefully managed to minimise your client's exposure to tax.

We collaborate closely with professional services firms, adding value through our expert knowledge in navigating SDLT complexities.

What is Stamp Duty Land Tax?

In England and Northern Ireland, individuals and businesses will pay Stamp Duty Land Tax (SDLT) when buying property or land over a certain price threshold. Taxes are eligible when:

- buying a freehold property
- buying a new or existing leasehold

- buying a property through a shared ownership scheme
- transferring land or property in exchange for payment

How much is paid depends on whether the land or property is used as a residential, non-residential, or mixed-use property. Rates of SDLT can also vary for first-time buyers, those who already own a property and are buying another, or non-UK residents.

SDLT applies when the financial threshold for certain property or land is met. The current thresholds sit at £250,000 for residential properties, £425,000 for first-time buyers purchasing a residential property (worth £625,000 or less) and £150,000 for non-residential land and properties.

Understanding updated legislation and when SDLT may be exempt can be complex to determine and often requires extensive research into the individual case.



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Why Work with Rayner Essex?

When it comes to SDLT, the intricacies of changing legislation can pose significant challenges and require the specialist advice of professional accountants.

Our team can collaborate with you to determine the correct SDLT analysis of a specific client transaction and offer advice relating to specific reliefs, identifying how to reduce your client's exposure to tax, whilst also managing all compliance and HMRC queries on your client's behalf.

Working together to provide sophisticated and accurate SDLT services for your clients, will enable you to strengthen your client relationships and provide a holistic approach to their business needs.

Get in Touch

Our fees are extremely competitive so please contact us for a no-obligation quote.

To find out more about how we can support you across SDLT and other taxation matters, please contact our SDLT and VAT experts today.



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About Rayner Essex



Rayner Essex is a leading mid-tier firm of Chartered Accountants and trusted business advisers, based in St Albans and London.

With over 50 years of experience of working with corporates, SMEs, and private individuals from various industry sectors including property and construction, Rayner Essex delivers quality VAT, SDLT, Tax, compliance, accounting, and advisory services, offering extensive expertise and adds value to your clients.

We are a client-focused practice committed to fostering long-term relationships. Every client is supported by a dedicated team that is partner and director led, collaborating closely with you to gain a deep understanding of your client's challenges and goals. Together we can offer commercial expertise to minimise your client's tax exposure.

Whether it is routine inquiries or complex compliance issues, we are here to support you with clear, practical solutions that will assist you to better serve your clients.

Our expert team works with professionals ranging from solicitors to estate agents, bankers, and investment firms.

We also offer International Property advice, utilising our INPACT Global association of 160 members in over 200 countries around the world to provide support on cross-border property tax planning matters, as well as assisting non-resident clients with UK property tax matters.

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