



South African Revenue Service

Dear Stakeholder

TAX DIRECTIVES: INTERFACE SPECIFICATION VERSION 6.504 UPDATE

SARS will implement an additional validation change to the Tax Directives process as indicated in the IBIR-006 Tax Directives Interface Specification Version 6.505 on 15 September 2023. The updated Tax Directives Interface Specification is available on the SARS website www.sars.gov.za.

The additional validation change is in respect of asylum seekers and refugees relating to the permit number. Please refer to the above Interface Specification. You are encouraged to implement the validation change as soon as possible.

Please feel free to join us for a MS Teams Meeting on 15 September 2023 at 10:00 to discuss the validation.

MS Teams

Meeting ID: 342 064 442 52

Passcode: KRrLEu

Please follow these steps to submit test files if you need to test this validation change:

Step 1: Before testing can commence, you will need to email 10 taxpayer reference numbers to ncts@sars.gov.za to ensure the numbers are active. In the email subject line, use **“Tax reference numbers for Trade Testing”**. **A maximum of 10 taxpayer reference numbers will be allowed.**

Step 2: You will be notified via the same email address to confirm when testing may commence.

For trade testing queries please email ncts@sars.gov.za

Sincerely

THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVENUE SERVICE

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