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### Agenda

CGT & ECPI – 3 years on



- Refresh on the CGT relief rules
- How to claim exempt current pension income (ECPI) when an asset is sold
- What happens when assets are sold at a loss
- Issues arising from the CGT relief
- Strategies to maximise EPCI for assets which utilised the CGT relief

Refresh on CGT relief rules

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### What was the CGT Relief?



### CGT relief rules

- One-off opportunity in 2016-17 to lock in tax treatment of capital gains/losses on assets impacted by super reforms.
- If an election was made to apply the relief in the 2016-17 annual return the decision is irrevocable

  - Trustees had a choice, they did not have to apply the relief even if eligible

    Election to reset the cost base of an asset was made on a per asset basis

    Asset deemed to have been disposed of in 2016-17 year

    Must wait 12 months from date CGT relief applied to be eligible for CGT discount upon sale of asset
- Two methods for applying CGT relief:
  - Segregated method where asset solely supporting pension at 9 Nov 16 and ceased to solely support pension prior to 1 July 2017
     Unsegregated method where asset did not solely support pension from 9 Nov 16 to 30 Jun 17



### CGT relief documentation required



### **CGT** relief rules

- Trustees will have documented which assets (if any) applied the CGT relief in 2016-17
- For each asset the Trustee will have recorded:

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    The date a which the CGT relief was applied

    If using the unsegregated method whether gain was deferred and if so the deferred gain (assessable amount)

    The new cost base equal to the market value at the date of CGT relief
- Any total deferred gain will have been reported to the ATO via the annual return



### **Family Windsor**



### Claiming the CGT relief

- Windsor family invest in similar things and each household's SMSF has the following key assets which have been held for a number of years
   Assets and their value just prior to 30 June 2017:

Asset	Cost base	Market value
Investment property	\$950,000	\$1,500,000
Royal Doulton shares	\$90,000	\$100,000
Corgi Fashion shares	\$80,000	\$150,000
Horse and Cart shares	\$60,000	\$50,000
Gold	\$300,000	\$500,000



- Philip and Elizabeth are members of "Crown SMSF"
- Charles and Camilla are members of "Chill SMSF"

  Anne and Tim are the members of "AT Retirement SMSF"

### Not eligible

### AT Retirement SMSF

At 30 June 2017:

Anne aged 67 was retired \$1,450,000 in an account-based pension
Tim aged 62 still working \$960,000 in accumulation

\$2.3m in key assets and \$110,000 in cash and term deposits



- Actuarial exempt income proportion for 2016-17 of 63% and income of \$88,000
- No other capital gains or losses in the year
   ECPI = 63% x 88,000 = \$55,440 Taxable income = \$32,560 • ECPI = 63% x 88,000 = \$55,440





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### Eligible - unsegregated method

### Chill SMSF

At 30 June 2017:

• \$2.3m in key assets and \$1.5m in cash and term deposits

Both were impacted by the TBC => \$300,000 and \$100,000 commuted 30 June 2017

All assets were eligible for CGT relief at 30 June 2017 using unsegregated method

Actuarial exempt income proportion for the year of 96% and income of \$130,000
 Applied CGT relief on assets with a gain

Decide not to apply to assets in a loss as don't want to lock in a lower cost base, potentially increasing a future capital gain realised with a lower future exempt income proportion

### Charles aged 65 was semi-retired \$1.9m in a TRIS and \$200,000 in accur Camilla aged 60 was retired \$1.7m in an account-based pension

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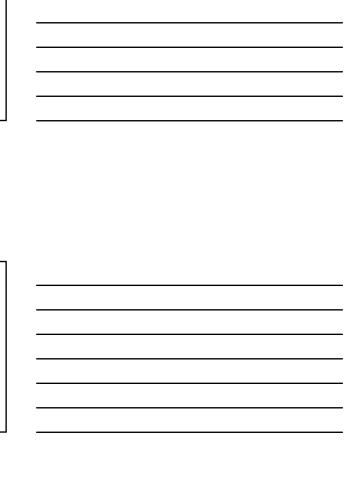
### Eligible - unsegregated method

### Chill SMSF

- Decide to recognise gains on shares in 2016-17 return and defer gains on property and gold
   No assets were sold in 2016-17 and were no carried forward losses
- Net capital gain for 2016-17 annual return of \$53.333
  - \$80,000 gains from deemed sale and purchase of shares less 33.33% since assets held longer than 12 months
- ECPI = 96% x ( 53,333 + 130,000) = \$176,000 Taxable income = \$7,333
- · Deferred gains

  - Timestment property: 550,000 less 33.33% = 366,667 x (1 0.96) = \$14,667 Gold: 200,000 less 33.33% = 133,333 x (1 0.96) = \$5,333 Total deferred gain reported in 2016-17 CGT schedule = \$20,000 Locked in 2016-17 ECPI and amount is carried forward to be recognised as taxable income in year asset is sold







# Eligible - segregated method Crown SMSF At 30 June 2017: Elizabeth aged 86 was retired \$2.5m in an account-based pension Philip aged 90 was retired \$2.0m in an account-based pension \$2.3m in key assets, \$2m in a second investment property (cost base of \$1.2m), \$200,000 in cash Both impacted by the TBC => \$900,000 and \$400,000 commuted 30 June 2017 All assets eligible to apply CGT relief at 30 June 2017 - date assets ceased to be segregated Applied CGT relief to all fund assets with a gain, didn't apply to the loss Must recognise deemed gains in 2016-17 \$1,630,000 in gains from deemed sale and purchase of assets are 100% exempt and disregarded





CGT event post 1 July 2017 Checklist	SMSF
Was asset held prior to 1 July 2017? if YES consider impact of	f CGT Relief
Look at records to identify if CGT relief was utilised     Onfirm the cost base - this should reflect the market value at date CGT if date of event is less than 12 months from date CGT relief applied then	
3. Identify if asset has a deferred gain	
Only funds which utilised the unsegregated CGT relief method can have:	a deferred gain
<ul> <li>A total deferred gain will have been reported to the ATO in the 2016-17</li> </ul>	CGT schedule
Deferred gain will be reported in the CGT schedule in year of CGT event:  4. Deal with any deferred gain	Amount of capital gain previously deferred S \$
Is taxable income and actuarial exempt proportion will not apply	
If have capital losses consider applying first to deferred gain then to other	er gains subject to indexing or discounting
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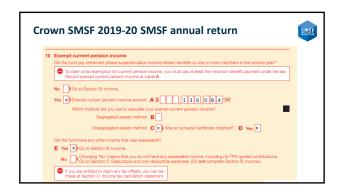
# How to claim ECPI Method to use 1. Did the fund have disregarded small fund assets? 1. Yes = must use unsegregated method for ECPI 1. No = eligible to use the segregated method An SMSF will have disregarded small fund assets if 2. any SMSF member had 1789 > 51.6 just prior to start of the income year AND 3. If No take account of deemed segregation 4. If have periods solely in retirement phase, and other periods with a non-retirement phase interest anywhere in super 2. If No take account of deemed segregation 4. If have periods solely in retirement phase, and other periods with a non-retirement phase interest only use the unsegregated method 5. If solely in retirement phase will be deemed as segregated and use the segregated method

### Windsor family assets Selling an asset post 1 July 2017 Elizabeth and Philip: • sold their large investment property for \$2,100,000 on 20 Jan 2020 and withdrew a lump sum of \$2,000,000 from accumulation in order to give \$1,000,000 each to Harry and William Charles and Camilla: • identified an opportunity to buy shares in an innovative business and sold their Corgi Fashion shares and then their Horse and Cart shares on 15 Nov 2018, using the proceeds to buy Farm Faster shares • want to buy a shack in Vancouver so they can visit Archie - they sold the SMSF's investment property on 2 Feb 2020 for \$1,625,000 and took a lump sum payment of \$750,000 each out of the SMSF.

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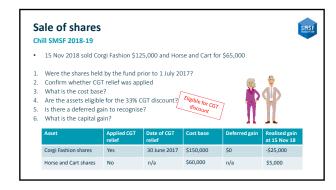


# Sale of large investment property Crown SMSF ECPI calculation in 2019-20 Capital gain recognised in year of \$100,000, no carried forward capital losses Other income of \$125,000 Fund has disregarded small fund assets and is using the proportionate method for ECPI Actuarial exempt income proportion 71% Net capital gain = 100,000 gain - 33,333 discount = \$66,667 ECPI = (125,000 + 66,667) x 0.71 = \$136,084 Taxable income in 2019-20 = (125,000 + 66,667) x (1 - 0.71) = \$55,583



### Sale of large investment property Crown SMSF ECPI benefit using CGT relief Total gain from original cost base of \$1.2m was \$900,000 With Crown SMSF utilising the CGT relief in 2016-17 only \$19,333 of the overall gain was taxed \$800,000 gain recognised in 2018-20 had CGT discount apply and net gain was 71% exempt of the \$900,000 gain \$880,667 was tax free If had not applied CGT relief to this asset \$174,000 would have been taxed Net capital gain in 2019-20 = 900,000 – 300,000 = 600,000 ECM = 600,000 x 0.71 = 426,000 so total amount of gain exempt = 300,000 + 426,000 = 726,000 of the \$900,000 gain \$786,000 was tax free

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### Sale of shares



### Chill SMSF ECPI calculation in 2018-19

- Capital loss of \$25,000 recognised in year and capital gain of \$5,000, no carried forward losses
- Other income of \$95,000
- Fund has disregarded small fund assets and is using the proportionate method for ECPI
- Actuarial exempt income proportion 83%
- Net capital loss = 25,000 loss 5,000 gain= \$20,000
- Capital loss of \$20,000 carried forward and net capital gain in the annual return is \$0
   ECPI = (95,000 + 0) x 0.83 = \$78,850
   Taxable income = (95,000 + 0) x (1-0.83) = \$16,150



### Sale of shares



### Chill SMSF ECPI calculation in 2018-19

- Total gains from original cost base of \$140,000 was \$50,000

- Original cost base of \$80,000 for Corgi Fashion and \$50,000 for Horse and Cart
  Horse and Cart did not apply CGT relief in 2016-17
  Corgi Fashion did apply CGT relief locking in CGT discount and 96% exempt income on \$70,000 gain
- With Chill SMSF utilising the CGT relief in 2016-17 only \$1,867 of the total gain was taxed
   In 2018-19 there was a net capital loss so the only taxed capital gains were those from 2016-17
   Of the overall \$50,000 gain \$48,133 was tax free
- If had not applied the CGT relief \$4,667 would have been taxed
   Net capital gain in 2018-19 = 50,000 16,667 = 33,333
   ECPI = 33,333 x 0.83 = 28,667 => total amount of gain exempt = 28,667 + 16,667 = 45,333
   Of the \$50,000 gain \$45,333 was tax free
- An extra \$2,800 in tax free gains was achieved using the CGT relief

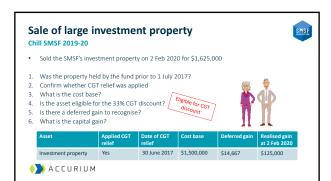
### Eligible - unsegregated method



Chill SMSF Assets at 1 July 2019:

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Asset	Unrealised gain at 1 July 2019	Applied CGT relief	Date of CGT relief / purchase	Cost base	Deferred gain
Investment property	\$120,000	Yes	30 June 2017	\$1,500,000	\$14,667
Royal Doulton shares	\$10,000	Yes	30 June 2017	\$100,000	\$0
Gold	\$25,000	Yes	30 June 2017	\$500,000	\$5,333
Farm Faster shares	\$2,500	No	15 Nov 2018	\$190,000	n/a





# Sale of property Chill SMSF ECPI calculation in 2019-20 Capital gain recognised in year of \$125,000 The asset realised has a CGT relief deferred capital gain of \$14,667 Other income of \$80,000 and \$20,000 carried forward capital losses Fund has disregarded small fund assets and is using the proportionate method for ECPI Actuarial exempt income proportion 91% Net capital gain = 125,000 gain + 14,667 deferred gain = 20,000 carried forward losses Allow for 33% CGT discount => 119,667 – 39,889 discount = \$79,778 Of the \$79,778 net capital gain \$14,667 has already allowed for exempt income ECPI in 2019-20 = (80,000 + (79,778 - 14,667)) x 0.91 = 145,111 x 0.91 = \$132,051 Taxable income = 14,667 deferred gain + 145,111 x (1 – 0.91) = \$27,727

## Sale of property Chill SMSF ECPI calculation in 2019-20 Total gains from original cost base of \$950,000 is \$675,000 With Chill SMSF applying the CGT relief only \$20,527 of the overall gain was taxed \$550,000 gain recognised in 2016-17 locked in with CGT discount applied and 96% tax free \$152,000 gain recognised in 2019-20 had CGT discount apply and net gain was 71% exempt Of the \$950,000 gain \$654,473 was tax free If had not applied the CGT relief to this asset \$39,300 would have been taxed Net capital gain = \$75,000 gain = 20,000 carried forward losses - 218,333 CGT discount = 436,667 ECPI = 436,667 x 0.01 = 397,367 = botal amount of gain exempt = 397,637 + 238,333 = 635,700 Of the \$950,000 gain \$635,700 was tax free An extra \$18,773 in tax free gains achieved using the CGT relief



I can't find the docum	entation from 2017
Tax return will have 'Yes' at label 110	Jule from 2016-17 to see if CGT relief was applied  10 di you have a capital gains tax (CGT) event during the year'  deferred and gains/losses recognised in year    New Cord Words For This World Conference on the CGT of the for seven contact of the CGT of the for seven contact gains contact date of the CGT
Market value of asset at 30 June 20     If looks like gain was deferred use 20	method then CGT relief would have occurred on 30 June 2017 17 would be basis for the new cost base 216-17 actuarial exempt proportion to work out deferred gain on the asset date ceased to be segregated (any date 9 Nov 16 - 30 June 17) he segregated would be root base.

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### Devil is in the details...



- Capital gains incurred as a result of a scrip for scrip rollover
- Capital gain is disregarded and replacement shares taken to be acquired at cost base of original interest
   If the asset has a deferred CGT relief gain that is recognised in the annual return in the relevant year
- Rollower of CGT asset to another SMSF due to relationship breakdown
   SMSF disregards the capital gain or loss that would otherwise arise and cost base of asset transferred to new fund
   If the asset has a deferred CGT relief gain that is recognised in the annual return in the relevant year
- Check software defaults around sale of assets
  - Some SMSF administration platforms allow you to preselect options for sale of assets so that assets are chosen to maximise or minimise profile e.g. parcels of shares Many funds which applied the CGT relief lobede in tax free gains on assets up to 1 July 2017 and will now have less exempt income due to accumulation assets -a selection of "highest profit" may have been appropriate pre 1 July 2017 when fully in retirement phase, but may no longer be optimal





### Funds with disregarded small fund assets



### **Maximising ECPI**

- Funds which applied the CGT relief due to the TBC will likely have disregarded small fund assets
- Must use the proportionate method to claim ECPI on all assets

  - Net capital gains will have the actuarial exempt proportion apply
     Net capital losses carried forwards
     Timing of capital gains during a financial year does not impact ECPI
- Maximise ECPI on a gain by maximising average pension liabilities over a year
  - Make pension payments and lump sum withdrawals from pension as late in year as possible
     Start pensions as early in the year as possible
     Take lumps sum withdrawals from accumulation as early in the year as possible
     If desire payments in excess of minimum pensions consider taking lump sums from accumulation
- Transactions which are 'material' in size relative to size of fund will have biggest impact on ECPI

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### Funds without disregarded small fund assets



### ising ECPI

- Fund claimed CGT relief due to TRIS or member balances have subsequently reduced under \$1.6m
- ECPI will depend on whether fund solely in retirement phase or has periods with accumulation
  - Net capital gains and losses incurred when fund solely in retirement phase (deemed segregated) are disregarded
     Net capital gains incurred when fund has an accumulation interest will have the actuarial proportion apply
     Net capital losses incurred when fund has an accumulation interest will be carried forward
     Timing of capital gain or loss can impact ECPI
- To maximise ECPI think strategically about timing of capital gains

  - If sell 'gain' asset when fund solely in retirement phase gain is 100% exempt
     If sell 'loss' asset when fund has an accumulation interest loss is carried forward
- 2019 Budget proposed to remove 'deemed segregation' from 2020-21

  - Funds would default to the proportionate method
     Could elect to implement a segregated pension asset strategy for future capital gains (subject to Part IVA)

### Case study - maximise ECPI



Chill SMSF selling their investment property

At 1 July 2019:

Charles aged 67 was semi-retired
 Camilla aged 62 was retired
 \$1.4m in a TRIS and \$500,000 in accumulation
 \$1.4m in an ABP and \$100,000 in accumulation

- \$2.4m in key assets and \$1m in cash and term deposits
- Fund has disregarded small fund assets in 2019-20 and must use proportionate method for ECPI
- Looking to sell investment property valued at \$1,625,000 at 2 Feb 2020
   Want to withdraw \$1.5m from the SMSF to buy a shack in Vancouver
- Fund has significant assets in accumulation phase -> part of capital gains will be taxable



### Case study - maximise ECPI





- · Minimise accumulation balance to maximise ECPI
- Defer capital gain until 2020-21
  - Withdraw entire \$600,000 accumulation balance by 30 June 2020 from cash available in SMSF
    No capital gain in 2019-20, continue to carry forward capital loss
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  - In 2020-21 fund solely in retirement phase sell property and capital gain would be disregarded as 100% exempt, withdraw remaining \$900,000 required from the SMSF, continue to carry forward capital loss
- . If did not have disregarded small fund assets in 2019-20 could sell this year with same outcome...

  - Withdraw \$60,000 from accumulation in February prior to selling the property

    With no accumulation balance the fund would be deemed as segregated from that time

    Sell asset in deemed segregated period so gain disregarded as 100% exempt, capital losses still carried forward



### If Chill SMSF sold property in 2020-21



### ECPI calculation in 2020-21

- Chill SMSF withdrew accumulation balance in 2019-20 and realised capital gain in 2020-21
- At 1 July 2020 both members have balances under \$1.6m = fund does NOT have disregarded small fund assets
   Capital gain recognised of \$125,000 cher income of \$70,000, and \$20,000 carried forward capital losses
   Fund is solely in retirement phase and uses segregated method for ECPI
- · Capital gains tax:

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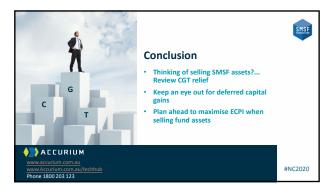
  5125,000 capital gain disregarded = 100% exempt

  The deferred gain has already had ECPI apply and so is assessable income and not disregarded

  514,667 deferred gain must be recognised and a CGT schedule completed

  Net capital lose = 0,000 loss 14,667 gain 5,333 loss to carry forward

  ECPI = \$70,000 Taxable income = \$0 Carried forward capital loss = \$5,333
- Applying this strategy there is no taxable income for Charles and Camilla on the property sale
- Note: if did not have carried forward loss then deferred gain of \$14,667 would be taxable in Previously with property sold in 2019-20 there was \$20,527 taxable income



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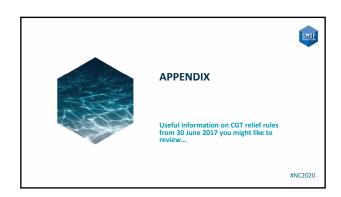


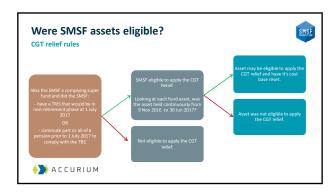
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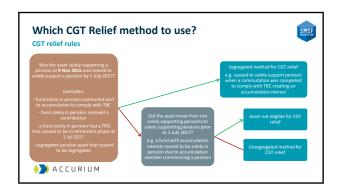
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### Segregated CGT relief method



### Electing to apply the CGT relief

- If elect to apply the CGT relief work out relevant date and disregard gain or loss
- Date asset was no longer solely supporting pension = date deemed to have sold and repurchased
   Reset cost base to market value of asset at that date
   This is the date asset ceased to be a segregated pension asset
- Capital gain or loss on the asset disregarded
  - Not eligible to be deferred, and was recognised in 2016-17 year
    Lock in 100% exemption from income tax
- Typically saw funds apply CGT relief on assets with capital gain but not on those with a capital loss
  Likely to have an accumulation interest post 1 July 2017 = income would no longer be tax free
  If realise loss in a future year with an accumulation balance loss could be carried forward



### **Unsegregated CGT Relief method**



### **CGT** relief rules

- CGT Relief applied at 30 June 2017 on a per asset basis

- Reset cost base to market value of asset at 30 Jun 2017
  A loss must have been recognised in 2016-17 annual return
  A gain could have been recognised in annual return of deferred until the asset is sold
  2016-17 exempt income proportion applies
- · CGT relief gains and losses recognised in 2016-17

  - CGT discount applied if asset held prior to 30 June 2016
    Included in net capital gain calculations alongside other gains or losses, and carried forward losses
- Mlight not have utilised CGT relief if expected exempt income proportion to increase
   Eg, members not fully retired in 2016-17 but expected to be solely in retirement phase in a few years after which plan to sell assets



### **Unsegregated CGT Relief deferred gain**



### **CGT** relief rules

- To defer a gain:
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  Capital gain determined on the deemed disposal current year or carried forward losses were not applied

  sesset was acquired prior to 30 June 2016 CGT discount was applied

  Acturalize wempt proportion for the 2016-17 year was applied to work out assessable part of the gain

  The assessable amount was the deferred gain
- Total of deferred gains was reported in the CGT schedule:

Small business 15 year exemption – exempt capital gains A \$
Capital gains disregarded by a foreign resident B\$
Capital gains disregarded as a result of a sorip for sorip rollover C\$
Capital gains deregarded as a result of an inter-company asset rollover D\$
Capital gains diregarded by a demerging entity E \$
Capital gains deferred due to CGT Relief? F Yes No
Capital gain amount deferred Q \$

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