

Newsletter – March 2026

Newsletter for the month of March 2026 from the pen of Jaco Fouché, CEO in Midnight Moon Accounting – your partner to your company's financial success.

Budget 2026 – Key Tax Updates

The 2026 South African Budget Speech focused on **stabilising government finances while avoiding major new taxes**. The **VAT rate remains at 15%** and the **corporate income tax rate remains 27%**. Instead of introducing new taxes, government indicated that **SARS will increase compliance and enforcement**, meaning businesses should ensure their records and submissions remain accurate and up to date.

Several thresholds were adjusted to **support small businesses and encourage long-term savings**.

Key Tax Changes

Tax Area	Previous	New
Tax-Free Investment Annual Limit	R36 000	R46 000
VAT Registration (Compulsory)	R1 000 000	R2 300 000
VAT Registration (Voluntary)	R50 000	R120 000
Turnover Tax Threshold	R1 000 000	R2 300 000
Donations Tax Exemption	R100 000	R150 000
Retirement Fund Deduction Limit	R350 000	R430 000

What this means:

These changes aim to **encourage saving, reduce administrative pressure on small businesses, and support economic growth**.

★ Client Spotlight – Charl Olivier

We are proud to highlight **Charl Olivier**, a Financial Advisor who works closely with our practice to help clients structure **tax-efficient investment portfolios**.

Charl specialises in **Tax-Free Investments and Retirement Annuities**, two powerful tools that help individuals grow wealth while reducing their tax burden. Tax-Free Investments allow **interest, dividends and capital growth to remain completely tax-free**, while Retirement Annuities provide **tax-deductible contributions and structured retirement savings**.

Charl assists clients with **portfolio reviews, cost analysis and long-term wealth planning**, ensuring investments align with overall tax planning strategies.

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 Important Deadlines & Reminders

Deadline	Tax Type	Notes
7 March 2026	PAYE / EMP201	Monthly employer tax submission
25 March 2026	VAT (Manual)	VAT201 submission deadline
31 March 2026	VAT (eFiling)	VAT201 via SARS eFiling
Ongoing	Provisional Tax	If it is 6 months after your year end, or if it is your year end month this will be due in March 2026
Annual	CIPC Returns	This is due in the month your company was registered.

Thank You

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 Quote of the Month

"Success usually comes to those who are too busy to be looking for it."
— Henry David Thoreau
