

Gift Aid Declaration The Church of Scotland

Name of congregation:

Donor's Full Name in CAPITALS:

Donor's Title: Mr/Miss/Mrs/Ms/Rev

Donor's Address in CAPITALS:

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..... Postcode:

I want the Congregation to treat all donations I have made for the six years prior to this year, and all donations I make from the date of this declaration until I notify you otherwise, as Gift Aid donations.

Signature of Donor:

Date of signing:

Notes:

1. You can cancel this Declaration at any time by notifying the Congregation.
2. You must pay an amount of income tax and/or capital gains tax at least equal to the tax that the Congregation reclaims on your donations in the tax year (currently 28p for each £1 you give).
3. If in the future your circumstances change and you no longer pay tax on your income and capital gains equal to the tax that the Congregation reclaims, you can cancel your declaration (see note 1)
4. If you pay tax at the higher rate you can claim further tax relief in your Self Assessment tax return.
5. Please notify the Congregation if you change your name or address.

Please give completed form to your Congregational Treasurer
or Gift Aid Convener

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GIFT AID



... *is Good News*

What is Gift Aid?

It is a government scheme that enables the Church to reclaim the tax you have already paid on the money you give in your offering.

How much does the Church benefit from Gift Aid?

While the basic rate of income tax is 22%, the Church can recover tax at the rate of approximately 28p on every £1 given.

£10 becomes £12.82

£100 becomes £128.20

£1000 becomes £1282.05

If members of the congregation give offerings of £40,000 as Gift Aid contributions, the tax refund will increase this total to £51,282.

If members of the congregation give offerings of £70,000 as Gift Aid contributions, the tax refund will increase this total to £89,743

If members of the congregation give offerings of £100,000 as Gift Aid contributions, the tax refund will increase this total to £128,205.

Who can give through Gift Aid?

Anyone who pays Income Tax or Capital Gains Tax.

What is Required?

Giving your offering through Offering Envelopes, by Bank Standing Order, or by Cheque – to provide the Church with the necessary record of your giving.

Sign a Gift Aid Declaration – this is printed overleaf, ready for you to complete.

You do not need...

- ⌘ To promise to give a particular amount each week.
- ⌘ To promise to give for a specified period of time.

Gift Aid is Good Stewardship

- ⌘ Giving your offering as a Gift Aid contribution makes your offering worth more.
- ⌘ More money means more can be done to further the mission of the Church and advance the kingdom of God.
- ⌘ Giving in this way is good Christian Stewardship.

