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2 Estimated Tax Payments: Delinquent or Underestimated Payment or Both, Constitutes

3 **Underpayment**

- 4 (1) An underpayment of Corporate Activity Tax (CAT) estimated tax exists when the payments received
- 5 on or before a payment due date are less than the required payment due as determined under section (3)
- 6 of this rule.
- 7 (2) Returns processed on or after January 1, 2021. If none of the exceptions as provided in section (3) of
- 8 this rule are met, interest on underpayment of estimated tax is computed on the difference between the
- 9 lowest amount determined under section (3) of this rule and the total estimated tax payments for the
- installment period made on or before the due date.
- 11 (3) Exceptions. Underpayment charges will not be imposed if each estimated tax payment is equal to or
- more than 25 percent (or the appropriate percentage of tax for short periods provided in OAR 150-317-
- 13 1300) of any one of the following:
- 14 (a) For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2020 and ending before January 1, 2021, 80 percent of
- 15 the tax for the tax year.
- 16 (b) For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2021, 100 percent of the tax.
- 17 (c) For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2021, 100 percent of the tax shown on the return for the
- preceding tax year (after credits) provided that the preceding tax year was a period of twelve months and
- an Oregon return showing a liability was filed for such tax year. When applying this subsection to a
- 20 current taxable year of less than 12 months, the tax for the preceding tax year is reduced by multiplying it
- by the number of months in the short tax year and dividing the resulting amount by 12.
- 22 (d) An amount equal to 100 percent of the tax computed on annualized taxable commercial activity. For
- 23 purposes of this computation, tax credits available on the date of the payment may be deducted from the
- 24 annualized tax. An estimated or anticipated tax credit may not be used. Annualized taxable commercial
- 25 activity is computed by entering the taxable commercial activity on an annualized basis:



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- 1 (A) For the first three months of the taxable year, in the case of the installment required to be paid in the
- 2 fourth month;
- 3 (B) For the first three months or for the first five months of the taxable year, in the case of the installment
- 4 required to be paid in the sixth month;
- 5 (C) For the first six months or for the first eight months of the taxable year, in the case of the installment
- 6 required to be paid in the ninth month; and
- 7 (D) For the first nine months or for the first 11 months of the taxable year, in the case of the installment
- 8 required to be paid in the 12th month of the taxable year.
- 9 (e) An amount equal to 100 percent of the amount obtained by applying Section 6655(e)(3)(C) of the
- 10 Internal Revenue Code to Oregon taxable commercial activity for any person with seasonal commercial
- 11 activity.
- 12 (4) *Unitary group returns*. If a unitary group CAT return is filed, any underpayment shall be computed
- on a combined basis. In computing the underpayment on a combined basis, the tax and facts shown on
- 14 the returns for the preceding year must be aggregated, regardless of whether combined or separate returns
- were filed.
- 16 (5) If separate returns are filed and estimated tax is paid on a combined basis, the payments and prior
- 17 year's tax may be divided between the various persons' liabilities in any manner designated by the
- 18 taxpayers.
- 19 (6) *Interest on underpayment*. When an estimated tax payment is underpaid, interest accrues on the
- 20 underpaid amount at the rate provided in OAR 150-305-0140 from the due date of the payment to the
- 21 earlier of:
- 22 (A) the date the tax is paid, or
- 23 (B) the date the tax return is due.
- 24 (7) Underpayment interest will not be imposed for a quarter in which the annualized taxable income
- results in a net annualized tax of \$10 or less.



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- 1 (8) Underpayment charges shall be assessed on the last return filed and received before the due date for
- 2 such return. That return shall be considered the "original return," and the tax due shall be used as the
- 3 basis for computing the underpayment charges.
- 4 (9) Once underpayment charges are assessed on the original return, an amended return reducing the tax
- 5 liability will not reduce the underpayment charges.
- 6 [Publications: Contact the Oregon Department of Revenue for information about how to obtain a copy
- 7 of the publication referred to or incorporated by reference in this rule pursuant to ORS 183.360(2) and
- 8 ORS 183.355(1)(b).]
- 9 **Stat. Auth.:** ORS 305.100, Oregon Laws 2019, chapter 122, section 72
- 10 Stats. Implemented: Oregon Laws 2019, chapters 122, 579; ORS 314.525