

First wave of tax measures adopted on 18 July 2025

Expertise	Law voted on	Measure	Entry into force	More information
Tax measures: Indirect Tax	18 July 2025	Residential demolition and reconstruction – new regime for reduced VAT rate of 6% with regard to housing after demolition and reconstruction.	As of 1 July 2025 – tolerance for period between the extinction of the previous transitional regime and the date of the entry into force of the programme law.	Programme law and circulars published on demolition and reconstruction, heating plants and coal – BDO
	18 July 2025	Abolition of reduced rate for the supply and installation of central heating installations using fossil fuels in case of renovation works on private residences older than 10 years, and in case of delivery after demolition and reconstruction. Exclusion 6% VAT rate.	In case of renovation works: on the day of the publication of this law in the Belgian Official Gazette (29 July 2025) . In case of supply of reconstructed houses: As of 1 July 2025 .	Programme law and circulars published on demolition and reconstruction, heating plants and coal – BDO
	18 July 2025	Abolition of reduced rate for the supply of coal and coal derivatives. Henceforth 21% instead of 12% VAT applicable.	On the day of the publication of this law in the Belgian Official Gazette: 29 July 2025 .	Programme law and circulars published on demolition and reconstruction, heating plants and coal – BDO
Tax measures: Varia	18 July 2025	Abolition of the 10% tax increase for a first offence committed in good faith	For assessments levied as of 29 July 2025 .	Tax measures : Varia – BDO
	18 July 2025	A new stricter permanent (para)tax regularisation	On the day of the publication of this law in the Belgian Official Gazette: 29 July 2025 .	Tax measures : Varia – BDO
Tax measures: Corporate Income Tax	18 July 2025	DRD deduction: tightening of the minimum participation requirement	Assessment year 2026 .	Tax measures : Corporate Income Tax – BDO
	18 July 2025	Exit tax in case of emigration of companies	For transactions taking place as of 29 July 2025 .	Tax measures : Corporate Income Tax – BDO

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Tax measures: Personal Income Tax	18 July 2025	VVPR bis regime/liquidation reserve: favourable regime for dividends issued by 'small' companies (subject to certain conditions). Adjustments to the liquidation reserve regime to harmonise taxation with the VVPR bis regime. The waiting period for beneficial distribution will be reduced from 5 years to 3 years, but the withholding tax rate will increase from 5% to 6.5%.	On the day of the publication of this law in the Belgian Official Gazette: 29 July 2025 .	Fiscal Measures : Personal Income Tax – BDO
	18 July 2025	Carried interest: carried interest received by individuals will be classified as movable property income and subject to a flat tax rate of 25%.	On the day of the publication of this law in the Belgian Official Gazette: 29 July 2025 .	A new tax regime for carried interest is set to be introduced in Belgium! – BDO
Social Measures: Labour market / work	18 July 2025	Unemployment benefits will be limited in time	As of 1 March 2026 . Additionally, as of 1 June 2025 , transitional measures apply to individuals already receiving unemployment benefits.	Social measures : Labour market / Work – BDO
	18 July 2025	Capping of the social employer contribution	As of 1 July 2025 – The ONSS has already confirmed the quarterly wage above which the social employer contribution will be capped, but it is not yet confirmed by a Royal Decree.	Social measures : Labour market / Work – BDO
	18 July 2025	Extension of existing system of relance-overtime and voluntary overtime until 31 December 2025.	As of 1 July 2025 .	Social measures : Labour market / Work – BDO
Social Measures: Pension reform	18 July 2025	Highest statutory pensions will be limitedly indexed (applies to civil servants, as well as employees, and self-employed individuals).	During the period as of 1 July 2025 until 31 December 2029 .	Social measures : Pension reform – BDO

This table gives you a concise overview of the tax and social measures approved so far. This overview is based on current legislation. We compile this information with the utmost care but cannot guarantee its completeness and accuracy. Please make sure to contact a BDO expert for advice regarding these measures.

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