

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2010 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 111-147 applicable to obligations issued after the date which is 2 years after Mar. 18, 2010, see section 502(f) of Pub. L. 111-147, set out as a note under section 149 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section applicable to taxable years ending after July 18, 1984, except as otherwise provided, see section 44 of Pub. L. 98-369, set out as a note under section 1271 of this title.

**§ 1288. Treatment of original issue discount on tax-exempt obligations**

**(a) General rule**

Original issue discount on any tax-exempt obligation shall be treated as accruing—

- (1) for purposes of section 163, in the manner provided by section 1272(a) (determined without regard to paragraph (7) thereof), and
- (2) for purposes of determining the adjusted basis of the holder, in the manner provided by section 1272(a) (determined with regard to paragraph (7) thereof).

**(b) Definitions and special rules**

For purposes of this section—

**(1) Original issue discount**

The term “original issue discount” has the meaning given to such term by section 1273(a) without regard to paragraph (3) thereof. In applying section 483 or 1274, under regulations prescribed by the Secretary, appropriate adjustments shall be made to the applicable Federal rate to take into account the tax exemption for interest on the obligation.

**(2) Tax-exempt obligation**

The term “tax-exempt obligation” has the meaning given to such term by section 1275(a)(3).

**(3) Short-term obligations**

In applying this section to obligations with maturity of 1 year or less, rules similar to the rules of section 1283(b) shall apply.

(Added Pub. L. 98-369, div. A, title I, §41(a), July 18, 1984, 98 Stat. 553; amended Pub. L. 100-647, title I, §1006(u)(3), Nov. 10, 1988, 102 Stat. 3427.)

AMENDMENTS

1988—Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 100-647 substituted “paragraph (7)” for “paragraph (6)” in pars. (1) and (2).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1988 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 100-647 effective, except as otherwise provided, as if included in the provision of the Tax Reform Act of 1986, Pub. L. 99-514, to which such amendment relates, see section 1019(a) of Pub. L. 100-647, set out as a note under section 1 of this title.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Section applicable to taxable years ending after July 18, 1984, and applicable to obligations issued after Sept. 3, 1982, and acquired after Mar. 1, 1984, see section 44 of Pub. L. 98-369, set out as a note under section 1271 of this title.

**PART VI—TREATMENT OF CERTAIN PASSIVE FOREIGN INVESTMENT COMPANIES**

Subpart

- A. Interest on tax deferral.

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- B. Treatment of qualified electing funds.
- C. Election of mark to market for marketable stock.
- D. General provisions.

AMENDMENTS

1997—Pub. L. 105-34, title XI, §1122(d)(6), Aug. 5, 1997, 111 Stat. 977, added items for subparts C and D and struck out former item for subpart C “General provisions”.

SUBPART A—INTEREST ON TAX DEFERRAL

Sec.

- 1291. Interest on tax deferral.

**§ 1291. Interest on tax deferral**

**(a) Treatment of distributions and stock dispositions**

**(1) Distributions**

If a United States person receives an excess distribution in respect of stock in a passive foreign investment company, then—

- (A) the amount of the excess distribution shall be allocated ratably to each day in the taxpayer’s holding period for the stock,
- (B) with respect to such excess distribution, the taxpayer’s gross income for the current year shall include (as ordinary income) only the amounts allocated under subparagraph (A) to—
  - (i) the current year, or
  - (ii) any period in the taxpayer’s holding period before the 1st day of the 1st taxable year of the company which begins after December 31, 1986, and for which it was a passive foreign investment company, and
- (C) the tax imposed by this chapter for the current year shall be increased by the deferred tax amount (determined under subsection (c)).

**(2) Dispositions**

If the taxpayer disposes of stock in a passive foreign investment company, then the rules of paragraph (1) shall apply to any gain recognized on such disposition in the same manner as if such gain were an excess distribution.

**(3) Definitions**

For purposes of this section—

**(A) Holding period**

The taxpayer’s holding period shall be determined under section 1223; except that—

- (i) for purposes of applying this section to an excess distribution, such holding period shall be treated as ending on the date of such distribution, and
- (ii) if section 1296 applied to such stock with respect to the taxpayer for any prior taxable year, such holding period shall be treated as beginning on the first day of the first taxable year beginning after the last taxable year for which section 1296 so applied.

**(B) Current year**

The term “current year” means the taxable year in which the excess distribution or disposition occurs.