

Cornmarket Presentation





About Cornmarket

- With over 40 years' experience, we are the largest Public Sector financial services company in Ireland.
- We currently administer over 50 Union, Association and Employer endorsed Schemes.
- We are now a member of the GreatWest LifeCo group of companies.



In a recent survey, 95%
of our customers said
we were
extremely/quite helpful
& knowledgeable*





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Shaping a Healthier Future

























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- 1. Group Life Plan Review
- 2. Tax
- 3. Other Money Saving Tips.



1. Group Life Plan





University of Limerick Group Life Plan

2015 Review

Cornmarket has been appointed to administer the Plan & Friends First have been retained as the underwriters. As a result of the review benefits now include:

- Death Benefit of 2.5 times your annual salary up to age 65 or the date that you retire, if earlier (separate to any Life Cover under the UL Pension Scheme).
- Reduction in cost: from 0.558% to 0.53% of gross salary (0.32% of net salary based on a member paying tax at the 40% rate).
- 5 year rate guarantee: The new reduced rate is guaranteed for the next 5 years (until 1st May 2020).
- Enhancements announced: the Plan is now more beneficial than ever before with new enhancements.



New enhancements at the 2015 review

1 Accidental Death Benefit

Members benefit from additional Death Benefit in the form of a payment of €15,000 in the event of accidental death. This is payable in addition to the normal Death Benefit of 2.5 times your annual salary.

2 Terminal Illness Benefit

An advance payment of 25% of the Life Cover on diagnosis of a terminal illness with death expected within 12 months. The balance of the Life Cover will be paid on death. This benefit applies to members up to their 62nd birthday.

3 Children's Death Benefit

In the event that a member's child (under age 21) dies, a Death Benefit of €4,000 will be paid.

4 Special Arrangements for members taking Maternity, Parental, Adoptive or Carer's Leave

Prior to the 2015 review, the Plan offered cover free of charge for up to 18 weeks for members availing of Maternity, Parental, Adoptive or Carer's Leave. As result of this review, if a member takes unpaid leave under more than one of these categories (e.g. unpaid Maternity Leave followed by a period of unpaid Parental Leave), Friends First will now allow the member to take up to 30 weeks in a 12 month period without having to pay a premium.

5 Special Arrangements for members taking a career break

Members who take a career break of up to a maximum of 5 years may maintain their life cover by paying the annual premium to Cornmarket. Alternatively, members who decide not to continue the life cover during their career break may automatically re-enter the Plan at the end of the career break, without the usual requirement for medical underwriting. This is subject to the member notifying Cornmarket either prior to or within 4 months of taking the career break.

IMPORTANT: You must remain an employee of UL to remain an eligible member of the UL Group Life Plan. If you leave employment with UL you must inform Cornmarket in writing, as you can no longer stay in the Plan and you will not be able to claim from it.



Who can join the Plan?

All pensionable employees of the University of Limerick, who are under age 65, are entitled to join the Plan.

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Half Price offer for Employees Under Age 45!

From 1st June – 30th September'15



Employees under Age 45, who join the Plan for the very first time by 30th September 2015, will pay **HALF PRICE for the** first 12 months*.

To avail of this offer you must fulfil the Plan eligibility criteria and:

- Be under age 45 and
- Be joining the Plan for the first time

^{*}The first 12 months means 12 consecutive months from the 1st of the month following the date that you are accepted as a member of the Plan by the insurance company.



Cost of Membership

with Half Price Offer

- Salary of €40,000 cost €1.20 per week
- Salary of €50,000 cost €1.50 per week
- Salary of €60,000 cost €1.79 per week.

Net cost is 0.16% of salary after tax relief is applied, assuming income tax @ 40% (gross cost is 0.26% of salary).



How Can I Join?

To apply to join the Plan or for more information on the benefits available,

Call Cornmarket: (01) 470 8054

Email: pensions@ul.ie

Phone UL on: (061) 202930.



2. Tax



How many people here do tax returns?



82% of PAYE workers overpaid in tax last year

In 2014, the average tax rebate was €1,200!

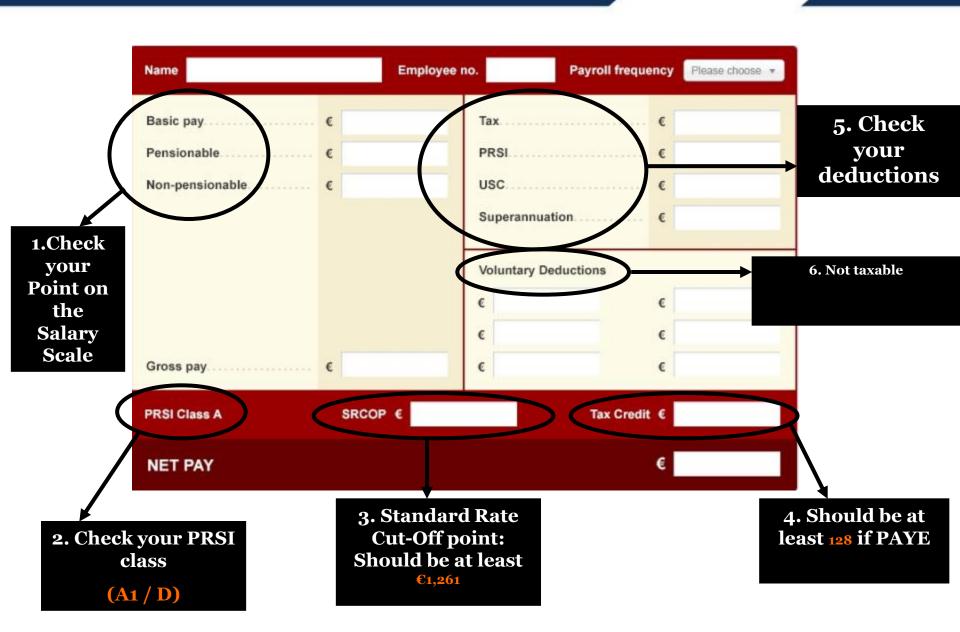
To date **we have claimed back over €37 million** in overpaid tax on behalf of Public Sector employees like you.



Why Public Sector Employees Overpay Tax

Factors	Repercussions
✓ Married	Not sharing credits and cut-off points in a tax efficient manner
✓ Change Job	X Not claiming the appropriate tax credits, reliefs, rate bands, etc
✓ Agency Work	X Not availing of all allowances & entitlements
✓ Income changes	
✓ Birth of child	x Tax Credit Certificate details incorrect
 Human error when calculating and deducting tax. 	x Incorrect allocations accumulate year on year.







Tax Credit Cert

It instructs your employer on the amount of Tax to deduct.

If it's wrong.....

YOU PAY too much or too little!

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How to calculate Income Tax

Gross Salary/Pension/Other Income - (PRSI & USC)

Less Superannuation/Pension Levy/AVC/NSP/PHI

= Taxable Income

Apply Rate Bands - 20% & 40%

Deduct Credits

= Income Tax Liability



Check your Tax Credits & Rate Bands



Rate bands

- First €33,800 taxed at: 20%
- Earnings over €33,800 taxed at: 40%

2015 example - A Public Sector Employee earning €40,000 pays €9,240 in tax before they apply their credits and €5,940 after applying their tax credits.



Tax credits

The more credits you accumulate, the less tax you pay.

....they are worth money and shouldn't be ignored!





Standard Rate Bands - 2015

Personal Circumstances	2015
Single	€33,800 @ 20%
	Balance @ 40%
Lone Parent	€37,800 @ 20%
	Balance @ 40%
Married with one income	€42,800 @ 20%
	Balance @ 40%
Married with two	€67,600 @ 20%
incomes*	Balance @ 40%

^{*}transferrable between spouses, maximum of €42,800 with one spouse.





CREDITS Personal Tax Credits - 2015

Personal Circumstances	2015
Single Person Credit	€1,650
Married Person Credit	€3,300
PAYE Credit	€1,650
Single Parent	€1,650



Other Tax Credits



- ➤ Home Carer €810
- Incapacitated Child €3,300
- Dependant Relative €70
- ➤ Age Credit Single €245 / Married €490
- Service Charges max €80 (2011 only).



Maximise your Allowances & Reliefs



Lecturers

Flat Rate Expenses

Agreed between Revenue and your Union for expenses incurred directly related to the nature of your employment.



Relief at your marginal tax rate

✓ Professor, Heads of Schools/Departments: €608

✓ Lecturer on full hours: €518

✓ Part-time lecturer (not on full hours):
€279



How much is this allowance worth to you?

€212 per year if you are earning €40,000!*

*for a lecturer on full hours claiming the flat rate expenses tax credit €518.





Tuition Fees

- Relief for Tuition Fees in approved 3rd Level Colleges
- Primary 2 year+ / Masters 1 Year +
- Ireland and EU based courses
- Limits: €7,000 total fees per person p.a.
- Exemption (per household):
 - First €3,000 for full time course not claimable
 - First €1,500 for part time course not claimable.



Claim relief on your Medical Expenses

1. Make your medical insurance claim (<u>www.hia.ie</u>)

Tax relief at source, unless paid by employer.









2. Avail of the Drug Payments Scheme - max €144 pm (www.hse.ie)

3. Apply for your tax relief through Form Med 1.



Qualifying Health Expenses



- 2 Doctor, GP, consultant or hospital fees
- 2 Items or treatments prescribed by a Doctor
- Approved nursing home fees (40%)
- Non-routine Dental Treatments
- Prescribed medicines
- Certain dietary products, e.g. Coeliac/Diabetic.

Keep the receipts for 6 years.



Rent

Rent Credit

- Renting in a private residential property
- Must have been renting on 7th December 2010
- 2015 Credit:
 - €480 if aged 55 or over
 - €240 if under age 55
- To be phased out by 2017.

O. For Rent

Rent a Room Relief Scheme from Jan '15

- Tax-free income where owner occupier
- Maximum is €12,000 per annum including meals, laundry etc.
- Must still be declared to Revenue.



Earning more than €3,175 outside of PAYE Income

If you earn more than €3,175 of income from any source outside the PAYE system you are obligated to file a return annually.

If you don't file a return, penalties and late fees apply.



Other Income





Rental Income

Income - Expenses = Taxable Profits

Example of allowable expenses

- Mortgage interest (75%)
- Insurance
- Mortgage protection
- Management Fees
- Letting Fees
- Repairs & Maintenance
- Advertising
- Accountancy fees
- Painting & Decorating
- PRTB
- Utility bills
- Wear & Tear on Fixtures & Fittings.



Rental Income

	Taxpayer's View	Revenue's View
Monthly Rental Income	€1,000	€1,000
Mortgage repayment / interest	(€1,200)	(€720)*
Profit / (Loss)	(€200)	€280

^{*} Assuming 80% of repayment is interest, restricted to 75% allowable.



Other Income

- Landlord
- Self Employment
- Deposit Interest where DIRT paid
- Foreign Income
- Irish Dividends where 20% tax deducted.

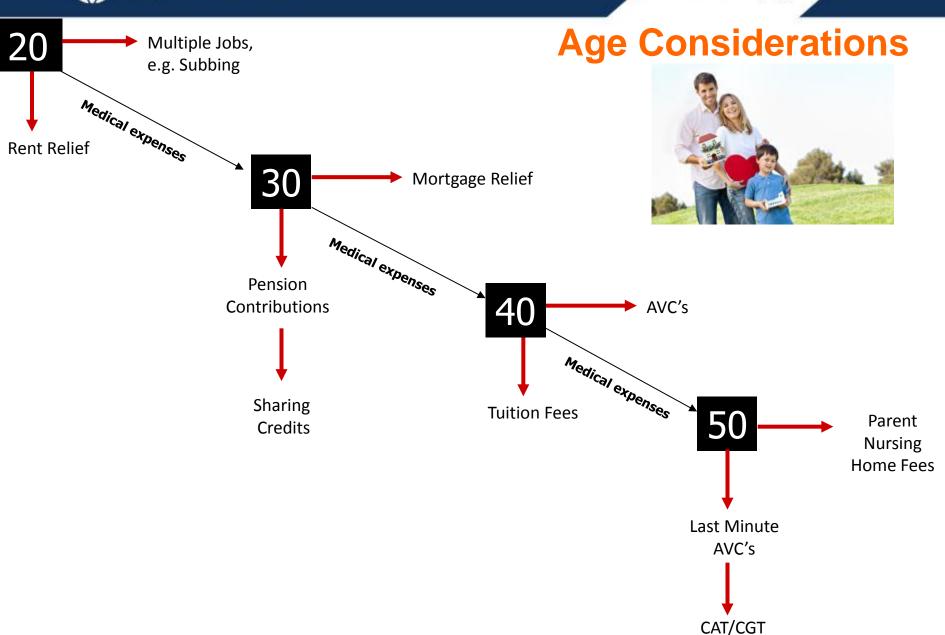




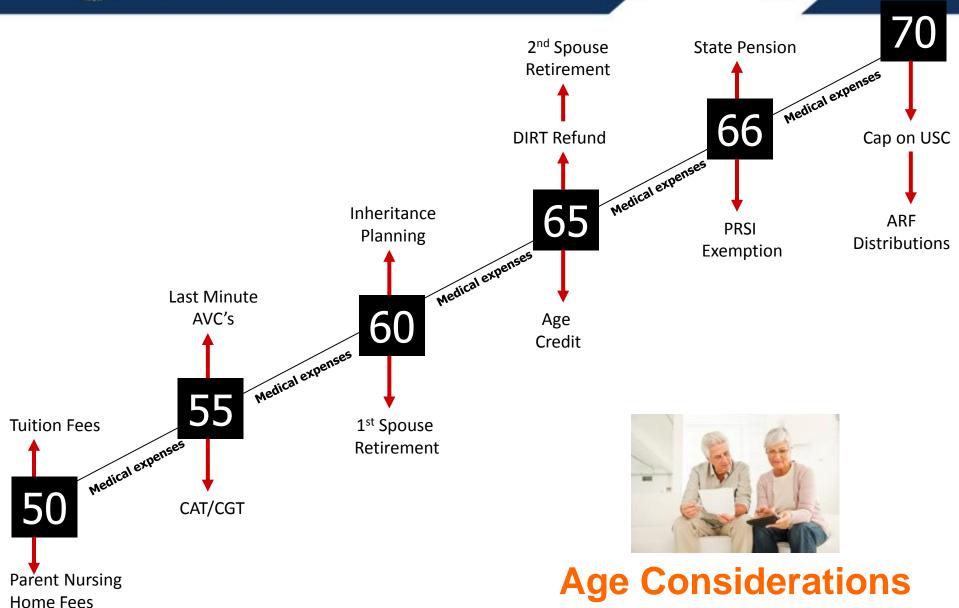
Remind me why we should file regular tax returns?







Here to help you





Organising Your Affairs

- ✓ Request & review your Tax Credit Certificates.
- ✓ Ensure correct allocation of Standard Rate Band between spouses.
- ✓ Notify amendments to Inspector.
- ✓ File Tax Returns annually.
- ✓ Review previous Tax years.
- ✓ Make sure you claim for any S & C/training & temporary/marriage gratuity interest and other superannuation deductions.

Seek professional advice



3. Money Saving Tips





Life Cover



- ■How much do you need?
- •Are you over/under-insured?
- Is your family protected?



Life Cover

We offer a 5% discount off the cheapest price on the market!*

Mortgage Protection / Life Cover Mortgage
Protection /
Life Cover

*Lowest price match we offer is €13.13 for Mortgage Protection plans and €15.15 on Term Level plans per month. The 5% discount on the lowest price quoted is subject to a minimum premium of €20 per month.



Health Insurance

- Complete a brief analysis of your requirements
- Compare all 4 health insurers on the market
- Offer free impartial advice











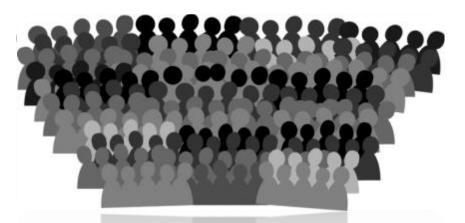




Car and Home Insurance



Cornmarket General Insurance Client Numbers



Over 75,000 Clients



Over 54,000 Clients



Over 19,000 Clients



Over 2,000 Clients



The Broker Process









Quarterly Service Reviews

Quarterly Rate Reviews

Quarterly Benchmarking



Car Insurance Proposal



- Breakdown
- DAS Legal
- Reduced Excess with approved repairer
- Full NCB
- Stepback NCB
- Malicious Damage
- Driving of other cars: Comprehensive



- Breakdown
- DAS Legal
- Reduced Excess with approved repairer
- Optional: Stepback NCB
- Windscreen Cover
- Driving of other cars: 3rd
 Party only









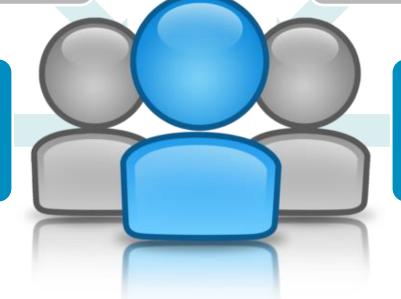
The Service

80% of calls answered within 20 seconds.

70% of quotes issued on the spot via email

98% of certs issued within 2 days

Over 20,000 car & home calls handled monthly



33% of customers renew on-line



Special offer: UL





€75 Discount available to all UL members who purchase a new motor insurance policy.

when you switch your car insurance to Cornmarket between 01/06/15 & 31/10/15 (subject to a minimum premium of €309.95, inclusive of Government levy)



3 months free offer on Allianz home insurance policies.

when you switch your home insurance to Cornmarket between 01/02/15 & 31/08/15 (subject to a minimum premium of €328).



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