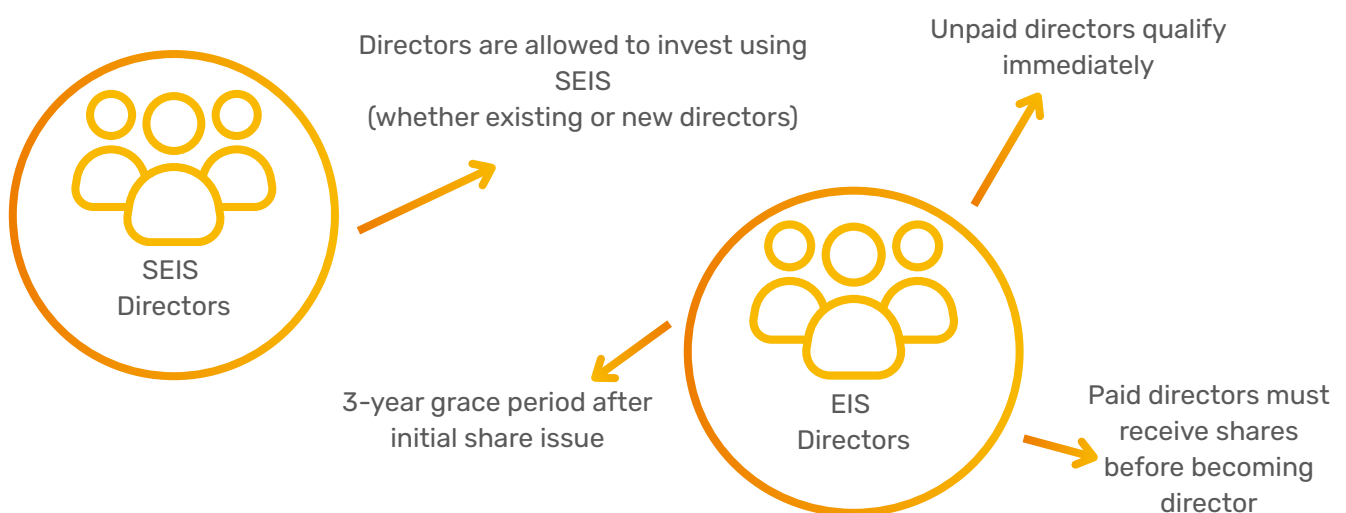


What are SEIS & EIS Investment Schemes?

About SEIS & EIS

The Seed Enterprise Investment Scheme (SEIS) and Enterprise Investment Scheme (EIS) are government backed tax incentive programs designed to encourage investment in small, high-risk companies that might find it difficult to raise finance through traditional means.

Director Investment Rules



Note: Employees cannot invest in their own company SEIS or EIS.

Feature	SEIS	EIS
Income Tax Relief	50%	30%
Annual Investment Limit (Investor)	£200,000	£1,000,000 (£2m knowledge-intensive)
CGT Exemption	100% if held 3+ years	100% if held 3+ years
CGT Deferral Relief	50% exemption on other gains	Full deferral of other gains
Company Age Limit	3 years	7 years (10 years knowledge-intensive)
Gross Asset Limit	£350,000	£15M (£16M post-investment)
Employee Limit	25	250 (500 knowledge-intensive)

SEIS - Seed Enterprise Investment Scheme

Company Criteria

- UK established company
- Small unquoted company
- Trading for maximum 3 years
- Gross assets under £350,000
- Fewer than 25 employees
- Investor holds max 30% of shares/voting rights
- Company can raise lifetime investment of £250,000

Tax Benefits

- 50% income tax relief up to £200,000/year per investor
- 100% CGT exemption if held 3+ years
- 50% CGT reinvestment relief on other gains
- Loss relief against income tax

EIS - Enterprise Investment Scheme

Company Criteria

- UK established company
- Small unquoted company
- Trading for maximum 7 years
- Gross assets under £15m pre-issue (£16m post)
- Fewer than 250 employees
- Investor holds max 30% of shares/voting rights

Tax Benefits

- 30% income tax relief up to £1M/year (£2M for knowledge-intensive)
- 100% CGT exemption if held 3+ years
- CGT deferral relief on other gains
- Loss relief against income tax

Important Notes

*All criteria must be satisfied at the time of investment

*Claims must be made between 4 months of trading and 5 years after 31st January in the tax year following investment

*Shares must be held for minimum 3 years to qualify for CGT exemption

*Loss relief can be claimed against current or previous year's taxable income

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Client Testimonials



Our company Emerald Associates met with Nick who was courteous and helpful from the outset. It was also very reassuring to have our accountant, who was present at the Teams meeting, say that he had used their services and that they were indeed the experts in the field of Tax. Nick provided great clarity.



I've worked with Pete Miller and Nick Wright from Jerroms Miller on a few projects and each time have found their assistance and expertise invaluable. They and their team have a wealth of expertise and experience across a broad spectrum of taxes, in particular corporate reorganisations.



Jerroms Miller have provided specialist tax support on a number of transactions and reorganisations for our clients. As well as being technically very good Pete and Nick provide excellent ongoing support to clients both during and after the transactions which is both valuable and reassuring.



Jerroms Miller are a fantastic resource for dealing with our complex tax issues or when we need a second opinion on a technical query. Pete, Nick and the rest of the team are always quick to respond with clear and concise advice.



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