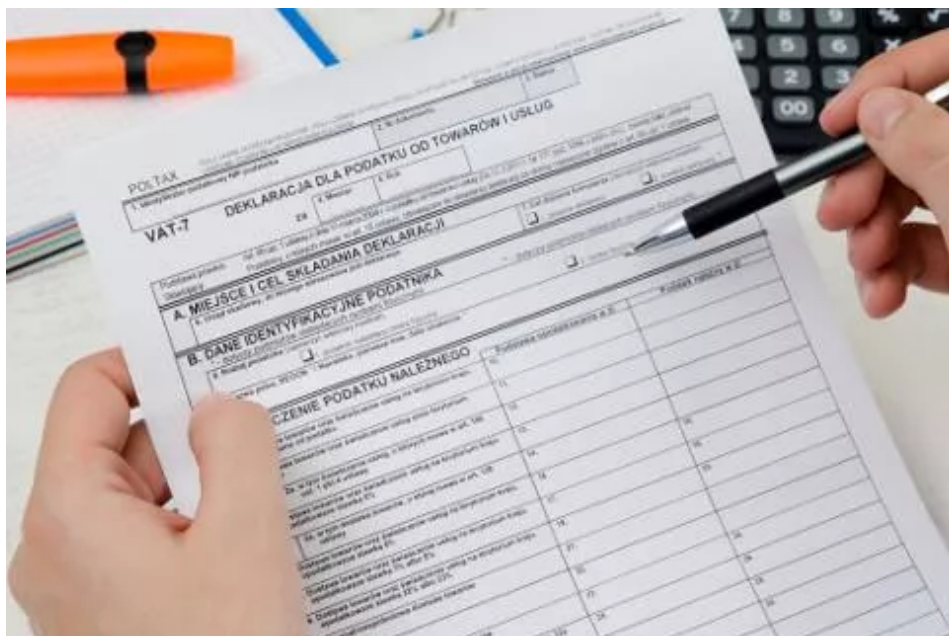


Entrepreneurs: The Treasury delays VAT refunds

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As many as 82 percent of companies did not notice any acceleration of VAT returns made by tax offices. In their opinion, the tax office gives back tax at the latest possible date. However, the conditions to speed up the return are difficult to meet. Such conclusions result from the BCC survey among 600 entrepreneurs.

Business Center Club (BCC) notes that, according to entrepreneurs, VAT is refunded as soon as possible, i.e. most often the day before the 60-day period expires.

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- It is possible to request a shortening of the deadline, but the conditions that must be met are impractical, difficult to meet. But even then it is not a 15-day period - entrepreneurs write. The BCC report also shows that there are often situations in which abuse of art. 87 paragraph 2 sentence 2 of the VAT Act, **offices do not refund VAT even for a year and longer** . However, everything depends on the tax office. There are also such offices and cases of entrepreneurs for which the deadline for refunding VAT on the VAT account is on average from 25 to 30 days.

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Long wait for a VAT refund

A survey conducted by BCC shows that 82.4 percent they did not notice any acceleration in VAT refunds granted by tax offices. In their opinion, officials did not notice the situation and the dramas of thousands of entrepreneurs.

BCC notes that today, every day is a struggle for entrepreneurs for financial liquidity and for saving their companies. Before the promised flows begin in the so-called "Anti-crisis shield" money - and not to everyone - could be prevented by dramatic payment gridlocks through mechanisms available to the tax administration, such as faster VAT returns. - It is also worth reminding the tax administration that this is money owed to entrepreneurs, not the money of the Treasury - although it is always much harder to say goodbye to the treasury with the money it already has at home. - indicates BCC.

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