INTRODUCTION
- Tax Clearance Letter (Surat Penyelesaian Cukai [SPC]) is a letter issued by Lembaga Hasil Dalam Negeri Malaysia (LHDNM) to notify the employer of a deceased / retiring / resigning employee’s tax liability to enable the employer to make the final payment of salary / compensation / gratuity to the employee.

WHEN TO MAKE THE APPLICATION
- When the employee:
  a. Resigning from employment; or
  b. Retiring; or
  c. Leaving Malaysia for a long period of time or forever; or
  d. Death of an employee

RESPONSIBILITY OF EMPLOYER
- To apply for SPC within one month before the date of the termination of employment or, in the case of death, within one month after the death.
- To retain payment of salary / compensation / gratuity until SPC is issued.

FORMS
Forms to be filled by the employer:
- CP22A Private Sector
- CP22B Public Servant
- CP21 For those who will be leaving Malaysia.

SPC PROCESSING PERIOD
- SPC will be issued within 10 working days form the date of complete document is received.

REMEMBER
Taxpayers are advised to update their current status of tax assessment by submitting the relevant Income Tax Return Form to LHDNM.

Even though SPC has been issued, the employee is obligated to submit the Income Tax Return Form for future years of assessment until the employee is informed about the CLOSING OF THEIR TAX FILE.

In order to close the tax file, the retiree may apply in writing to the LHDNM branch which handle their file and ensure that there is no outstanding tax balance in the account.

HOW TO APPLY
The application for the SPC can be made through:
1. e-SPC
   - Online application by employer
2. Manually
   - Submission of forms manually to LHDNM branch which handles employee’s income tax file

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