



Superannuation reforms at a glance

1	BEFORE			AFTER (from 1 July 2017)		
1	TAX	LIMIT	OTHER	TAX	LIMIT	OTHER
CONCESSIONAL (BEFORE-TAX) CONTRIBUTIONS Include: compulsory Super Guarantee contributions; voluntary salary sacrificed contributions; and voluntary personal contributions where a tax deduction is claimed.	if income and super >\$300K refund tax if income \$37,000 Low Income Super Contribution	\$30,000 p.a (\$35,000 for people 50 and over)	Only the self-employed whose salary and/or wage is less than 10% of their income can make deductible contributions. People aged 65-74 can only make voluntary contributions if they are working.	30% if income and super >\$250K refund tax if income \$37,000 Low Income Super Tax Offset	\$25,000 p.a for everyone and allowing catch-up contributions of unused caps from the prior 5 years for people with balances less than \$500,000, from 1 July 2018.	More people are able to claim a tax deduction for super contributions to eligible super accounts up to the cap. People aged 65-74 can only make voluntary contributions if they are working.
NON-CONCESSIONAL (AFTER-TAX) CONTRIBUTIONS Include:	After-tax income no tax in fund	\$180,000 p.a 3 yr bring forward for people under 65.	\$1.4 million additional CGT cap for eligible small business owners. Tax offset for spouse contributions only where recipient income is less than \$13,800 People can only make non-concessional contributions to their spouse if their spouse is less than 65 or 65-70 and working.	After-tax income no tax in fund	\$100,000 p.a for people with balances less than \$1.6m, with 3yr bring forward for people under 65.	\$1.4 million additional CGT cap for eligible small business owners. Tax offset for spouse contributions where spouse income is less than \$40,000 People can only make non-concessional contributions to their spouse if their spouse is less than 65 or 65-70 and working.
EARNINGS TAX ON ACCUMULATION ACCOUNTS	15% (10% on capital gains)			15% (10% on capital gains)		
EARNINGS TAX ON RETIREMENT PHASE ACCOUNTS	TAX	no limit No limit on the size of retirement phase accounts	People who have reached preservation age but are under 65 and not retired can access a transitional super income stream (TRIS) with tax free earnings. Only income streams that pay a regular income are eligible for the earnings tax exemption.	TAX FREE	\$1.6m transfer balance limit Excess balances can be held in an accumulation account.	People who have reached preservation age but are under 65 and not retired can still access a transitional super income stream (TRIS)but earnings on the amount supporting it will be taxed at 15%. Innovative new retirement income stream products will become eligible for the earnings tax exemption.
BENEFITS	TAX	Minimum draw down requirements for retirement account based pensions.	People can elect to treat certain income streams (including TRIS) as lump sum payments to reduce their tax liability.	TAX	Minimum draw down requirements for retirement account based pensions.	People will no longer be able to treat super income streams (including TRIS) as lump sum payments to reduce their tax.