Tax Deducted at Source (TDS) is a mechanism that has been introduced by the Income Tax Department. Under this, the responsible person is supposed to deduct a certain percentage of income as tax before making the payment to the receiver. The payment includes salary, commission, professional fees, interest, rent, etc.

For detailed discussion on TDS, please visit: https://www.hostbooks.com/in/blog/tds/complete-guide-tax-deducted-source-tds/

Due to Covid-19 situation, the rates of TDS on payments made to resident Indian has been reduced by 25% for the period starting from 14th May, 2020 to 31st March, 2021. However, there shall be no reduction in rates, where tax is required to be deducted or collected at higher rate due to non-furnishing of PAN/Aadhaar.

Now, let's have a look at the TDS/TCS Rates applicable for financial year 2020-21 as per Press Release issued by Ministry of Finance dated 13th May, 2020:

TDS Rate Chart for F.Y. 2020-21 (A.Y: 2021-22)

Sectio n	Nature of payment	Threshold Limit	Applicable from 01/04/2020 to 13/05/2020		Applicable from 14/05/2020 to 31/03/2021	
			Resident	Non-resident	Resident	Non- resident *
		Rs.	TDS Rate (%)	TDS Rate (%)	TDS Rate (%)	TDS Rate (%)
192	Salaries	-	Normal slab	Normal slab	Normal slab	Normal slab
192A	Premature withdrawal from EPF	50000	10	10	10	10
193	Interest on securities - 8% Savings (Taxable) Bonds, 2003 or 7.75% Savings (Taxable) Bonds, 2018 during the financial year	10000	10	-	7.5	-
193	Interest on securities - Interest on securities for money issued by or on behalf of any local authority/statutory corporation, listed debentures of a company(other than demat form), any other interest on securities	5000	10	-	7.5	-
194	Dividends	5000	10	-	7.5	-
194A	Interest (Banking co., co- operative society engaged in banking, post office)	40000	10	-	7.5	-
194A	Interest (Any other person)	5000	10	-	7.5	-
194B	Winning from lotteries	10000	30	30	30	30
194BB	Winning from Horse race	10000	30	30	30	30

194C	Contractor-Single	30000				
	transaction-Individual/HUF		1	-	0.75	-
	-Others		2	-	1.5	-
194C	Contractor – Consolidated Payment During the F.Y.	100000				
	- Individual/HUF		1	_	0.75	_
	- Others		2	-	1.5	-
			2	-	1.5	-
194D	Insurance commission	15000				
	- Other than Company		5	_	3.75	_
	- Company		10	_	10	_
	Company					
194DA	Maturity of Life insurance policy	100000	5	-	3.75	-
194E	Non-resident sportsmen or	_	_	20	-	20
1012	sports association			20		20
194EE	NSS	2500	10	10	7.5	10
194F	Repurchase units by MFs	_	20	20	15	20
1941	Repulcitase utilis by MFs	-	20	20	15	20
194G	Commission-Lottery	15000	5	5	3.75	5
40411	0 1 1 10 1	45000	_		0.75	
194H	Commission/Brokerage	15000	5	-	3.75	-
194I	Rent of - Plant/Machinery	240000	2	-	1.5	-
	/Equipment		10	_	7.5	_
	- Land and Building/Furniture				110	
	& Fixture					
194 I A	Transfer of certain immovable	50 lakh	1	_	0.75	-
1341A	property other than agriculture	JUIANI		-	0.75	-
	land					
104ID	Dont by Individual/LLIF	E0000 nor	E		2.75	
194IB	Rent by Individual/HUF	50000 per month	5	-	3.75	-
194IC	Payment under Joint	-	10	-	7.5	-
	Development Agreements to Individual/HUF					
194J	Professional Fees	30000	10	-	7.5	-
194J	Technical Fees (w.e.f. 01.04.2020)	30000	2	-	1.5	-
	01.04.2020)					
194J	Payment to call centre	30000	2	-	1.5	-
	operator (w.e.f. 01.06.2017)					

194J	Director's fees	-	10	-	7.5	-
194K	Payment of any income in respect of	5000	10	-	7.5	-
	(a) units of a mutual fund as per section 10(23D); or					
	(b) the units from the administrator; or					
	(c) units from specified company					
	(w.e.f. 01.04.2020)					
194LA	Compensation on transfer of certain immovable property other than agriculture land	250000	10	-	7.5	-
	(TDS exempted if covered under RFCTLARR Act w.e.f. 01.04.2017)					
194LB	Income by way of interest from infrastructure debt fund	-	-	5	-	5
194LB A	Income from units of business trust	_	10	5	7.5	5
	- interest received or receivable from a special		10	J	7.5	3
	purpose vehicle; or - dividend referred to in sub-		10	10	7.5	10
	section (7) of section 115-O					
194LB A	Distribution of rental income to unit holders	-				
	- Other than Comapany		10	30	7.5	30
	- Company		10	40	7.5	40
194LB B	Income in respect of units of investment fund	-				
	- Other than Company		10	30	7.5	30
	- Company		10	40	7.5	40
194LB C	Income in respect of investment in securitization fund	-				
	- Individual/HUF		25	30	18.75	30
	- Company		30	40	22.5	40
	- Other Person		30	30	22.5	30

194LC	Income by way of interest by an Indian specified company to a non-resident/foreign company on foreign currency approved loan / long-term infrastructure bonds from outside India	-	-	5	-	5
194LC	Income by way of interest by an Indian specified company on rupee denominated bond / any long-term bonds from outside India, which is listed only on a recognized stock exchange located in any International Financial Services Centre	-	-	4	-	4
194LD	Interest on certain bonds from Govt. securities	-	-	5	-	5
194M	Certain payments by Individual/HUF	50 lakh	5	-	3.75	-
194N	Payment of certain amount in cash	1 Crore	2	2	2	2
194N	Payment of certain amount in cash (first proviso of section 194N)if Amount is more than Rs.20		N.A.	N.A.	2	2
	lakh but up to Rs. 1 crore - Amount exceeds Rs. 1 crore (Applicable from 01.07.2020)		N.A.	N.A.	5	5
194-0	Applicable for e-commerce operator for the sale of goods or provision of services facilitated by it through its digital or electronic facility or platform (Applicable from 01.10.2020)	-	N.A	-	0.75	-
195	Income of Investment made by an NRI	-	-	20	-	20
195	Long-term capital gain - Under Section - 115E/ 112(1)(c)(iii)/112A	-	_	10	-	10
	- Any Other Gains		-	20	-	20
195	Short-term capital gain - 111A	-	-	15	-	15
195	Royalty	-	-	10	-	10

195	Fees for technical services	-	-	10	-	10
195	Interest income payable by Govt./Indian concern (other than section 194LB or 194LC)	-	-	20	-	20
195	Any Other Income - Other than Company - Company	-	-	30	-	30
196A	Income in respect — - of units of a Mutual Fund specified under clause (23D) of section 10; or - from the specified company referred to in the Explanation to clause (35) of section 10	-	_	20	-	20
196B	Income from units to an offshore fund	-	-	10	-	10
196C	Income from foreign currency bonds or GDR of an Indian company	-	-	10	-	10
196D	Income of foreign Institutional Investors from securities (not being dividend or capital gain)	-	-	20	-	20

* TDS rate shall be increased by applicable surcharge and Health & Education Cess.

Note: In case of non-furnishing of PAN/Aadhaar by deductee, TDS will be charged at normal rate or 20% (5% in case of section 194-O), whichever is higher.

TCS Rate Chart for F.Y. 2020-21 (A.Y: 2021-22)

Sectio n	Nature of payment	Applicable from 01/04/2020 to 13/05/2020 TCS Rate (%)	Applicable from 14/05/2020 to 31/03/2021 TCS Rate (%)
206C	Scrap	1	0.75
206C	Tendu leaves	5	3.75
206C	Timber obtained under a forest lease or other mode	2.5	1.875
206C	Any other forest produce not being a timber or tendu leaves	2.5	1.875
206C	Alcoholic liquor for human consumption and Indian made foreign liquor	1	1

206C	Parking lot, toll plaza, mining and quarrying (other than mining and quarrying of mineral oil, petroleum and natural gas)	2	1.5
206C	Minerals, being coal or lignite or iron ore	1	0.75
206C	Sale of motor vehicle of the value exceeding Rs. 10 Lacs	1	0.75
206C	Remittance out of India under the Liberalized Remittance Scheme of the RBI of the value exceeding 7 Lacs in a financial year (Applicable from 01.10.2020) – TCS will be charged on excess amount over 7 lacs	N.A.	5
206C	Sale of overseas tour programme package (Applicable from 01.10.2020)	N.A.	5
206C	Remittance out of India for education under the Liberalized Remittance Scheme of the RBI of the value exceeding 7 Lacs in a financial year (Applicable from 01.10.2020) – TCS will be charged on excess amount over 7 lacs	N.A.	0.5
206C	Sale of any goods (other than goods exported out of India or goods given in the above points) of the value exceeding 50 Lacs (Applicable from 01.10.2020) – TCS will be charged on excess amount over 50 lacs	N.A.	0.075

Note: In case of non-furnishing of PAN/Aadhaar by collectee, TCS will be charged at twice of the normal rate applicable or 5% {1% in case of sale of any goods (given in the last point) of the value exceeding 50 Lacs}, whichever is higher.