



STAMP DUTY LAND TAX
INTERNET FILING ENABLED SOFTWARE
INSTRUCTIONS FOR GAINING INTERNET RECOGNITION

Software Developer Support Team

Introduction

Once you have completed your own thorough product testing you can apply for Internet Recognition for your Stamp Duty Land Tax submission product. The test scenarios can be found published within the technical pack.

All the scenarios must be actioned and successfully submitted to Vendor Single Integrated Proving Service in order to gain Internet Recognition. The URL for VSIPS is <https://secure.dev.gateway.gov.uk/submission>

Recognition

Once you have generated the XML for the scenarios and you want to apply for recognition for your Stamp Duty Land Tax software, you must:

- Successfully submit the 33 test cases included in the Technical Pack to VSIPS.
- For further details of which cases need submitting as part of the recognition process, contact the Software Developer Support Team by email or telephone: details are on our website at [Software Developer Support Team Contact Details](#)

Please ensure each case is noted with the correct case number.

You will need to provide the SDS Team with an explanation for any scenarios or data that you do not submit.

The SDS Team will examine the XML to ensure that the product is capable of sending Stamp Duty Land Tax data over the Internet to the Government Gateway and if successful the product will be granted Internet Recognition. Recognition does not constitute any form of recommendation, endorsement or approval of your software. HMRC can only test the ability of your software to send a valid form or return over the internet and we cannot test any of its other features.

You will also need to provide copies of your XML for the following messages in accordance with the UK Online Document Submission Protocol, which is published in the technical pack.

- submit_poll
- delete_request
- list_request

Will you please also supply a sample of a **submission_response** from the Government Gateway showing successful validation of one of your XML files.

SDLT5

Part of the requirement for Stamp Duty Land Tax recognition includes gaining recognition for the electronic SDLT. Please see the SDLT5 technical documentation for more information, which is published within the technical pack.

Test In Live

If your product supports the Test in Live functionality and you will be allowing your customers to use this functionality in the live service, please also submit to the SDS Team.

- XML for test case 1 which includes <TestMessage> correctly populated for a 'test in live' submission
 - A copy of the submit_response message from VSIPS, which indicates that the submission was a test.

If this function is to be used by clients, please contact the SDS Team. If 'test' data is sent to the live service it does have very serious implications for the Stamps Office and could result in clients receiving incorrect penalties.

Please note that Test in Live is not a mandatory requirement for recognition.

If you experience any problems with any stage of development or recognition, please report these to the Software Developers Support Team.

The recognition data is to be used primarily to ensure that software packages can produce correct XML instances using the basic data provided. Successful submission of these recognition cases over the Internet will result in HM Revenue & Customs Internet Recognition for your internet submission product but it does not constitute any form of HM Revenue & Customs approval of a Stamp Duty Land Tax product itself.

Example Text for Declaration Options

You must display either one of the following declaration options to the user prior to submission. When applying for recognition, please email the SDS Team the wording of the declaration you will be using.

Please select the appropriate declaration:

- If you are filling this return for yourself or as the in-house representative of an organisation

'The information contained in this return is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief'.

- If you are filling this return on behalf of a purchaser who has approved the Effective date of transaction

'I confirm that the purchaser(s) has / have declared that the information contained in this return is correct and complete to the best of the knowledge and belief of the purchaser(s) and that the purchaser(s) has / have authorised me to submit the return electronically on behalf of the purchaser(s)'.

- If you are filling this return on behalf of a purchaser who has authorised you to enter the Effective date of transaction:

'I confirm that the purchaser(s) has / have declared that the information contained in this return, with the exception of the effective date, is correct and complete to the best of the knowledge and belief of the purchaser(s). The purchaser(s) has / have

authorised me to enter the effective date and to submit this return electronically on behalf of the purchaser(s). The effective date is correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief'.

Publication of Product Details on HMRC Website

Once you have successfully gained recognition for your online Stamp Duty Land Tax software, we will publish details of your software on the HM Revenue & Customs website. These details will include your company name & telephone number, software name and version number and we will also provide a link to your company website.

You will also be given the opportunity to provide up to 500 words to promote your software and this will also be published on the HMRC website with your recognition details. Stamp Office will also publish this information in their 3rd party vendors' publicity pack which is handed out to solicitor firms in order to promote the online filing service.