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Preamble

Draft Taxation Determinations (DTDs) present the preliminary, though considered views of the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). DTDs should not be relied on; only final Taxation Determinations represent authoritative statements by the ATO.

- 1. No. The land does not qualify for the main residence exemption.
- 2. Paragraph (c) of the definition of 'dwelling' in subsection 118-115(1) brings within the definition 'any land immediately under the unit of accommodation'. It only does so, however, while the land remains immediately under the unit of accommodation.
- 3. If a unit of accommodation is removed from land and the land is then sold, the land does not come within paragraph (c) of the definition of 'dwelling' in subsection 118-115(1). This applies to land under all types of units of accommodation.
- 4. Land under a unit of accommodation qualifies for the main residence exemption only if the land and the unit of accommodation are sold together as a dwelling.

Your comments

We invite you to comment on this Draft Taxation Determination. We are allowing 4 weeks for comments before we finalise the Determination. If you want your comments considered, please provide them to us within this period.

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