No. 770

MALTA ENTERPRISE

Explanatory Notes[1]

1. Introduction

Title of Legal Notice	Rent Subsidy (Amendment) Regulations, 2025
Activity to be regulated	Support for the rental or purchase of private industrial premises
Responsible entity	The scheme will be administered by Malta Enterprise (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation").

2. Summary and Background

These regulations are to amend the Rent Subsidy Regulations (S.L.463.33.)

The total support that may be approved for every undertaking shall be limited to three hundred thousand euro (€300,000) over any rolling period of three (3) years. The approved support shall be disbursed over a period of up to six (6) years and the total annual disbursement shall be capped at fifty thousand euro (€50,000).

3. Overview of the structure of the instrument

The amending regulations are made up of three (3) regulations and consist of the following:Regulation 1: Citation.

Regulation 2: Substitutes regulation 3 of the principal regulations.
Regulation 3: Substitutes regulation 3A of the principal regulations.

4. Commentary

Regulation 3 of the principal regulations now provides that the Corporation may provide cash grants and, or tax credits up to 50% of eligible costs for renting or acquiring industrial premises for business development, in accordance with the Guidelines. Support will only be considered if the request is made within the specified Guidelines.

Regulation 3A of the principal regulations now provides that assistance shall be limited to €300,000 for every undertaking over a rolling 3-year period. The support shall be disbursed in annual instalments of up to €50,000 over 6 years, with the first 3 years as cash grants and the last 3 years as tax credits.

5. Concluding Sections

These regulations shall come into force upon their publication in the Gazette.

In case of queries, the general public is encouraged to contact the Corporation on info@maltaenterprise.com.

N.B. These Explanatory Notes are not intended to be an exhaustive description of the instrument nor a substitute thereof or a legislative supplement to it. These Explanatory Notes do not purport to be an authoritative ruling on the interpretation of the legislation.

16th May, 2025

[1]These Explanatory Notes are in accordance with and for the purpose of article 3(2)(c) of the Small Business Act (Chapter 512 of the Laws of Malta).