

Savings Bonds

12th Issue

- **10% interest after 3 years**
- No tax, fees or charges
- State guaranteed
- Easy access to your money at all times

Interest Payable

Investors will earn 10% TAX FREE over a 3 year period. This is equivalent to an average interest rate of 3.23% per annum if the investment is held for the full term. Where Savings Bonds are encashed before the elapse of 3 years, the average annual rate of interest will be lower.

An investment of €1,000 will grow as follows every year

€1,022
after 1 Year

€1,052
after 2 Years

€1,100
after 3 Years

Interest is calculated on an annual basis, and no interest will be paid if repayment is made before the date of the first anniversary of the investment. If repayment is made before subsequent anniversary dates, interest will be calculated for each complete calendar month at the appropriate Post Office Savings Bank deposit rate on the total value of the investment at the last anniversary date. The Post Office Savings Bank deposit rates are likely to be lower than the Savings Bonds average annual rate.

Amount of Investment

Individuals may invest a minimum of €100 and up to a maximum of €120,000. Joint holdings are subject to a maximum of €240,000.

Except when the holder subsequently purchases or seeks to purchase further Savings Bonds, the following shall not be taken into account for the purpose of these maximum holdings:

- Inherited Savings Bonds
- Savings Bonds purchased by reinvesting the proceeds, or part of the proceeds, of maturing Savings Bonds, Savings Certificates or Instalment Savings.

Repayments

Repayments are subject to 7 working days' notice. Partial repayments must comprise principal and interest accrued thereon. It is not possible to repay interest only.

Savings Bonds are issued subject to the Prospectus dated 1 August 2007 a copy of which is printed overleaf.

Customer information
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Savings Bonds 12th Issue Prospectus

1. This Prospectus applies to Savings Bonds purchased on or after 1 August 2007.
2. Savings Bonds may be purchased and held only by an individual (hereinafter described as the holder) who has attained the age of 7 years, or by two or more such individuals jointly, or by a trustee for another individual, or by Friendly Societies. Savings Bonds may be purchased as a gift for an individual of any age or for any number of such individuals jointly, and a Savings Bond purchased as a gift shall be held in the name of the individual or individuals for whom it has been purchased.
3. Savings Bonds will be issued for any amount, subject to a minimum purchase of €100 and a maximum holding of €120,000 in this issue. A maximum amount of €240,000 will apply to joint holdings in this issue by two or more individuals provided always that each holder shall not exceed the maximum personal holding of €120,000. Except when the holder subsequently purchases or seeks to purchase further Savings Bonds, the following shall not be taken into account for the purposes of these maximum holdings:

- Inherited Savings Bonds
- Savings Bonds purchased by reinvesting the proceeds, or part of the proceeds, of maturing Savings Bonds, Savings Certificates or Instalment Savings.

4. The amount due on repayment for each €100 of Savings Bonds shall be as follows:

After 1 year	€102.20	(2.2%)
After 2 years	€105.20	(5.2%)
After 3 years	€110.00	(10.0%)

The period of deposit referred to above commences on the date of purchase of the Savings Bonds. Where repayment takes place before the first anniversary date, no interest will be paid. Where repayment takes place after the first anniversary date, interest will be calculated for each complete calendar month at the appropriate Post Office Savings Bank deposit rate on the total value of the investment at the last anniversary date. For the purpose of this calculation, no interest will be paid in respect of the month in which the repayment takes place. Post Office Savings Bank deposit rates are likely to be lower than the Savings Bonds average annual rate of interest and so the average annual rate of return will be lower if a repayment is made otherwise than on anniversary dates.

5. Savings Bonds may be repaid by making an application for repayment using the form prescribed by An Post. Such application should be made at least seven working days before repayment is required to An Post, Savings & Investment Services, Repayment Section, GPO, Dublin 1. Savings Bonds shall be deemed to be repaid on the date on which the payment instrument is issued in respect of their repayment. The amount due where repayment is made before the first anniversary of its purchase shall be the purchase price of the Savings Bonds only.
6. In the case of an application for payment of the amount repayable in respect of Savings Bonds held jointly by two or more persons, such application shall be made by all such persons or by the survivor(s) among such persons. An application for the amount repayable in respect of Savings Bonds in the name of a person as Trustee for another person whose name is also entered on the Savings Bonds shall be made by all such persons or by the survivor among such persons.
7. Savings Bonds held by a deceased holder may be transferred to a third party who is legally entitled to the proceeds.
8. Savings Bonds or their benefits may not be assigned or otherwise transferred, save upon death as provided in paragraph 7 above.
9. Reasonable evidence of identity to establish the entitlement of any person to receive a payment or, as the case may be, to obtain the transfer of Savings Bonds may be required by An Post for the purposes of this Prospectus.
10. Interest earned on Savings Bonds is exempt from Deposit Interest Retention Tax, Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax in Ireland and is not returnable as income to the Revenue Commissioners.
11. Additional copies of this Prospectus and application forms may be obtained at Post Offices. Completed forms together with the purchase price may be lodged at Post Offices transacting savings business or sent direct to An Post, Savings & Investment Services, Inpayments Section, 3D, GPO, Dublin 1.
12. An investment in Savings Bonds is for a period of three years. At the end of that period, it may or may not be extended for a further period or periods at the absolute discretion of the National Treasury Management Agency. Any extension shall be on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the National Treasury Management Agency at the appropriate time.
13. This scheme is authorised under section 54 of the Finance Act, 1970 and is under the management of An Post.

Holders of Savings Bonds should notify An Post, Savings & Investment Services, Customer Administration, 3D, GPO, Dublin 1, of any change of permanent address.