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# HMRC targeting 'two million' married couples in new tax raid

The taxman is targeting two million married couples and civil partners who claim Marriage Allowance as a tax benefit - and many may not even know it



Two million married couples and civil partners who claim Marriage Allowance as a tax benefit could now find themselves targeted by HMRC. (Image: No credit)

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HMRC is reportedly setting its sights on "two million" married couples in a fresh tax crackdown, with many unaware of the impending threat, according to tax experts.

The two million married couples and civil partners who claim **Marriage Allowance** as a tax benefit could find themselves in the crosshairs of **HMRC**.

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The tax benefit applies when one partner pays basic rate income tax at 20 per cent, while the other earns less than the £12,570 personal allowance and therefore pays no **tax**. It allows the lower earner to transfer £1,260 of their personal allowance to their spouse or civil partner.

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This can result in savings of up to £252 this tax year. However, pensions campaigner Ros Altmann has issued a warning that couples who have utilised this could be hit with an unexpected income tax bill, reports **Birmingham Live**.

"Many may have no idea they need to pay tax at all, especially if they have never been liable before," she cautioned.

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Altmann revealed that the number of pensioners liable for tax has doubled since 2010, from 4.5 million to over nine million.

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She warned: "Pensioners who use the marriage allowance to give part of their personal allowance to their partner will have an even lower personal allowance of just £11,310.

"They are already at risk of being liable for tax without knowing. They risk being hit with fines and penalties for not paying a tiny amount of tax that they didn't even know about."



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Stephen Lowe, director at retirement specialist Just Group, has also voiced his concerns.

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