Glacier's estate liquidity tool

This month we take a look at the estate liquidity tool and highlight some of the main functions and benefits. We encourage you to please contact your Glacier representative for more information on how this tool can benefit both you and your clients.

Glacier's estate liquidity tool provides you with an easy to use calculator or a snapshot to address the liquidity shortfall in an estate. The tool enables the user to calculate:

- Executor’s fees
- CGT
- Estate duty
- An accrual calculation (for marriages subject to the accrual regime)
- An income needs analysis for surviving family members

The estate liquidity tool also identifies whether there is sufficient liquidity in a client’s estate to meet the requirements for estate duty, capital gains tax, executor’s fees, funeral expenses and the financial needs of the surviving spouse and family members. Other liquidity needs may include settling estate debts – outstanding bonds, HP agreements, outstanding taxes, maintenance claims and an accrual claim by a surviving spouse. Only the first-death scenario is catered for and accordingly the liquidity requirements on the death of both spouses will need to be run separately.

Benefits of the tool

- The tool is designed to take account of each marital regime and single clients.
- It is easy to use and is up to date with current legislation regarding to rates exclusions and exemptions. The tool is flexible enough to allow the user to update calculation parameters where needed.
- It ensures sufficient cash funds are available at your client's death to cover estate expenses, i.e. executor's fees, CGT and estate duty, as well as provision for dependants during the winding up of the estate.
• If sufficient funds are not available, assets need to be sold to make provision for these expenses.
• The calculator allows you to produce a personalised report for each client and can serve as a record of advice to support your life cover recommendations.

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