

Tax Transparency

In line with the “Basic policy on tax” stipulated in the Basic Policy on Corporate Governance, the Sekisui House Group recognizes that it has an important responsibility to live up to stakeholder trust by complying with the tax laws and regulations of the countries and regions in which it operates and making tax payments in a transparent and appropriate manner. By thus abiding by the principle of fairness regarding taxes, the Group plays a significant role in the economic and social development of said countries and regions.

6. Basic policy on tax

The Group recognizes that it has an important responsibility to live up to stakeholder trust by complying with the tax laws and regulations of the countries and regions in which it operates and make tax payments in a transparent and appropriate manner in observance of the principle of fairness regarding taxes. The Group’s basic stance on tax is as follows.

(1) Legal and regulatory compliance

The Group shall ensure that the highest priority is placed on compliance with the tax laws and regulations of the countries and regions in which it operates. It shall also strive to fulfill its tax responsibilities in good faith and shall not engage in any abnormal transactions with the intention of tax avoidance. The Group aims to avoid international double taxation regarding cross-border transactions within the Group based on the arm’s length principle in accordance with the OECD Transfer Pricing Guidelines.

(2) Awareness-raising efforts and tax risk mitigation

The personnel in charge of taxation for the Group shall endeavor to collect necessary information by participating in external opportunities including but not limited to seminars and strive to spread and establish tax compliance awareness. If any tax issues or other matters to be addressed are identified, measures for improvement shall be promptly implemented. Through such awareness-raising efforts and by proactively seeking opinions and advice from external advisors and other companies that belong to relevant industry associations, we strive to flexibly mitigate tax risk.

(3) Relationships with tax authorities

The Group shall strive to ensure tax transparency by providing appropriate information in accordance with the requests of the tax authorities in each country and region, and shall engage in dialogue as appropriate to develop sound relationships with such authorities. In addition, if

questions arise regarding the interpretation of relevant tax laws or regulations, the Group shall explain the facts of the situation to the tax authorities and seek confirmation as necessary in order to avoid discrepancies resulting from differences in opinion.

(4) Governance

The Group shall make thoroughgoing efforts to ensure familiarity with the basic policy on tax so that it may comply with the tax laws and regulations of the countries and regions in which it operates and make tax payments in an appropriate manner. The Board of Directors of the Company shall be responsible for managing and supervising the practice of this basic policy on tax.

In addition to publishing and adhering to the policy above, the Sekisui House Group strives to ensure tax transparency by disclosing tax-related information, including tax payments made in the countries and regions in which it operates.

Tax Payments by Country for FY2022

Country	Amount (Millions of yen)
Japan	74,826
United States	13,383
Australia	99
China	6,177