Transfer to spouse / civil partner*	Tax implications for VCT shareholder (donor)	Maximum amount that can be transferred that will retain VCT tax reliefs	Tax implications for recipient who is a spouse / civil partner*
Before death (as a gift)	None	No limit	Receive tax free income and capital gains on VCT shares. Any deferred capital gains are also transferred. shares.
After death (as a bequest)	VCT shares valued as part of the estate – but transfers to spouse are not normally subject to inheritance tax. Any deferred capital gains are extinguished on death.	Up to £200,000 per beneficiary	Receives tax free income and capital gains on VCT shares

^{*} Who are living together