## **Instructions for Beneficiary**

The information on Form 5498-ESA is furnished to you by the trustee or issuer of your Coverdell education savings account (ESA) by April 30, 2007. Form 5498-ESA reports contributions and rollover contributions made for you for 2006. For more information about Coverdell ESAs, see Pub. 970, Tax Benefits for Education.

**Account number.** May show an account or other unique number the trustee/issuer assigned to distinguish your account.

**Box 1.** Shows Coverdell ESA contributions made in 2006 and through April 16, 2007, on your behalf. Do not deduct these amounts on your income tax return.

If the total contributions made to all your Coverdell ESAs for 2006 exceeded \$2,000, you must withdraw the excess, plus earnings, by May 31, or you may owe a penalty. You must keep track of your Coverdell ESA basis (contributions and distributions).

**Box 2.** Shows any rollover, including a direct rollover, you made in 2006. Generally, any amount rolled over from one Coverdell ESA to another Coverdell ESA for the benefit of the named beneficiary or a member of the beneficiary's family who is under age 30 (except for a beneficiary with special needs) is not taxable.

## **Instructions for Trustees or Issuers**

General and specific form instructions are provided as separate products. The products you should use to complete Form 5498-ESA are the 2006 General Instructions for Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, and W-2G and the 2006 Instructions for Form 5498-ESA. To order these instructions and additional forms, call 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

**Caution:** Because paper forms are scanned during processing, you cannot file Form 1096, 1098, 1099, or 5498 that you download and print from the IRS website.

**Due dates.** Furnish Copy B of this form to the beneficiary (participant) by April 30, 2007.

File Copy A of this form with the IRS by May 31, 2007. To file electronically, you must have software that generates a file according to the specifications in Pub. 1220, Specifications for Filing Forms 1098, 1099, 5498, and W-2G Electronically or Magnetically. IRS does not provide a fill-in form option.



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## Instructions for Form 5498-ESA

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

## Reminder

In addition to these specific instructions, you should also use the 2006 General Instructions for Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, and W-2G. Those general instructions include information about:

- Backup withholding
- Magnetic media and electronic reporting requirements
- Penalties
- Who must file (nominee/middleman)
- When and where to file
- Taxpayer identification numbers
- Statements to recipients
- Corrected and void returns
- · Other general topics

You can get the general instructions from the IRS website at *www.irs.gov* or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

## Specific Instructions for Form 5498-ESA

File Form 5498-ESA, Coverdell ESA Contribution Information, with the IRS by May 31, 2007, for each person for whom you maintained any Coverdell education savings account (ESA) during 2006.

**Contributions.** You must report contributions, including rollover contributions, to any Coverdell ESA on Form 5498-ESA. See the instructions under Boxes 1 and 2. If no reportable contributions were made for 2006, no return is required.

For contributions made between January 1, 2007, and April 16, 2007, trustees and issuers should obtain the participant's designation for the year that the contributions are made.

*Transfers.* Report on Form 5498-ESA all rollovers including a direct trustee-to-trustee transfer from one Coverdell ESA to another Coverdell ESA. A rollover can be made from certain U.S. Savings Bonds or another Coverdell ESA. Any amount distributed from a Coverdell ESA may be rolled over to another Coverdell ESA and is not taxable if it is for the benefit of the same beneficiary or certain family members (see below).

**Total distribution, no contributions.** Generally, if a total distribution was made from an account during the year and no contributions including rollovers were made for that year, you do not need to file Form 5498-ESA.

**Distributions.** Report distributions from any Coverdell ESA on Form 1099-Q, Payments From Qualified Education Programs

(Under Sections 529 and 530). Any change in the beneficiary of the Coverdell ESA is not treated as a distribution if the new beneficiary is a family member (see below) of the prior beneficiary and has not reached the age of 30 (except for a beneficiary with special needs).

**Family member.** A family member of the designated beneficiary includes his or her spouse, children and their descendants, stepchildren and their descendants, siblings and their children, parents and grandparents, stepparents, and their spouses. It also includes the first cousins of the designated beneficiary.

**Statements to participants.** If you are required to file Form 5498-ESA, you must provide a statement to the beneficiary (participant) by April 30, 2007.

For more information about the requirement to furnish statements to participants, see part M in the 2006 General Instructions for Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, and W-2G.

**Account number.** The account number is required if you have multiple accounts for a recipient for whom you are filing more than one Form 5498-ESA. Additionally, the IRS encourages you to designate an account number for all Forms 5498-ESA that you file. See part L in the 2006 General Instructions for Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, and W-2G.

## Coverdell Education Savings Account

A Coverdell education savings account is a trust or custodial account created or organized in the United States exclusively for the purpose of paying the qualified education expenses of an individual who is the designated beneficiary of the trust. The account must be designated as a Coverdell ESA at the time it is created or organized in order to be treated as a Coverdell ESA for tax purposes. The governing instrument creating the trust must meet the requirements of section 530(b)(1).

## Box 1. Contributions (Other Than Amounts in Box 2)

Enter contributions to a Coverdell ESA made in 2006 and through April 16, 2007, designated for 2006.

Do not include in box 1 rollovers. Report rollovers in box 2.

### **Box 2. Rollover Contributions**

Enter any rollover contributions (including trustee-to-trustee transfers) to this Coverdell ESA received by you during 2006 (see *Transfers* above).

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# General Instructions for Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, and W-2G

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## Reminders

**Electronic/Magnetic Media Filing.** E-filers are reminded that using the FIRE system requires following the specifications contained in Pub. 1220. Also, the IRS does not provide a fill-in form option. See page GEN-5 for information on e-file.

**Payee.** Throughout these instructions the term "payee" means any recipient of Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, or W-2G including borrowers, debtors, donors, insureds, participants, policyholders, students, transferors, and winners on certain forms.

**Hurricane relief provisions.** For information on the relief provisions relating to Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma, see section 1400Q, Pub. 4492, Information for Taxpayers Affected by Hurricanes Katrina, Rita, and Wilma, or visit the IRS website at *www.irs.gov* and click on Help for Hurricane Victims.

## What's New

Recipient name and taxpayer identification number. New reporting rules apply regarding the correct name and EIN to show on the information return for an individual recipient who has filed a Chapter 11 bankruptcy case. See *Part J* on page GEN-8.

Where to file. With the exception of Form 1098-C, all information returns will be filed with only two Internal Revenue Service Centers: Austin, TX, and Kansas City, MO. See part D on page GEN-4 and Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns.

**Form W-2G.** Section 419 of the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 (P.L. 108-357) exempted certain types of parimutuel winnings from withholding and reporting after October 22, 2004. See *Foreign Persons* on page W-2 for these exemptions relating to live dog racing and horse racing.

**Form 1098-C.** The following changes were made to the 2006 Form 1098-C.

- New boxes 6a, 6b, and 6c have been added to Form 1098-C to satisfy new reporting requirements added by the Gulf Opportunity Zone Act of 2005. The donee is required to state whether any goods or services were provided, in whole or in part, for the donation of a qualified vehicle and, if so, a description and fair market value of those goods or services. If the goods and services consisted of intangible religious benefits, then a statement to that effect must also be included.
- New box 7 has been added to Form 1098-C to allow this form to be used as the contemporaneous written acknowledgment under section 170(f)(8) for a qualified vehicle with a claimed value of at least \$250 but not more than \$500.

**Form 1098-T.** One of two methods may be used to report qualified tuition and related expenses. Institutions may report either payments received in Box 1 or amounts billed in Box 2. Box 3 has been revised to alert students that institutions have changed their method of reporting as required under Rev. Proc. 2005-50 which is available on page 272 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2005-32 at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb05-32.pdf">www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb05-32.pdf</a>.

Form 1099-DIV. Section 502 of the Tax Increase Prevention and Reconciliation Act of 2005 has changed section 6049(b) by requiring the reporting of interest on state or local bonds that are tax-exempt under section 103(a). After December 31, 2005, exempt-interest dividends from regulated investment companies retain their tax-exempt status and are reported on Form 1099-INT, Interest Income.

### Form 1099-INT.

- Amendments to section 6049 have added two new items of reportable interest income. Section 1303 of the Energy Tax Incentives Act of 2005 added new section 54 that allows for a credit to holders of clean renewable energy bonds. The Gulf Opportunity Act of 2005 added new section 1400N that allows a credit to holders of Gulf bonds. Both new items are treated as interest income as required by new section 6049(d)(8) and are reported on Form 1099-INT, Interest Income.
- Section 502 of the Tax Increase Prevention and Reconciliation Act of 2005 amended section 6049(b) and now requires the reporting of certain tax-exempt interest. New boxes 8 and 9 have been added to meet this new reporting requirement. Backup withholding may apply.

Form 1099-R. The following changes have been made to Form 1099-R.

• The title of box 5 has been revised to include the reporting of the basis of distributions from designated Roth accounts.

- The untitled box to the left of box 10 is used for reporting the first year of designated Roth account contributions.
- Instructions for Recipient has been expanded to include the back of Copy 2.

The following changes have been made to the Specific Instructions for Form 1099-R.

Account closure. Instructions for reporting a distribution as a result of an account closure due to a failure of the taxpayer to satisfy the Customer Identification Program requirements of the U.S. Patriot Act have been added to the discussion of an IRA revocation.

Permissive service credits. An instruction has been added to report the purchase of service credits under a governmental qualified defined benefit pension plan under section 403(b) or 457(b).

Disclaimer of an IRA account balance. Revenue Ruling 2005-36 provides for the qualified disclaimer of all or some of an IRA account balance under certain conditions.

Certain Roth IRA conversions. Regulations section 1.408A-4T discusses how to determine the fair market value of an individual retirement annuity described in section 408(b) that is converted to a Roth IRA.

Box 2a. Taxable amount. Reporting instructions have been changed for distributions under section 408(d)(5)

Also, for transactions not reported on Form 1099-R (for example, the reporting of rollovers or RMD amounts), see Proposed Regulations sections 1.402(g)-1, 1.402A-1, 1.402A-2,

Distribution of designated Roth account contributions. Section 402A, which was added by the Economic Growth and Tax Reconciliation Act of 2001, provides that a participant in a section 401(k) plan or a section 403(b) plan that includes a Roth contribution program may elect to make designated Roth account contributions to the plan or program in lieu of elective deferrals. Designated Roth account contributions are reported on the participant's Form W-2. Designated Roth account distributions are reported separately to the participant on Form 1099-R. A new distribution code has been added to report these distributions. Code B-Designated Roth account distribution. Other rules relating to designated Roth accounts have been added throughout the instructions as applicable.

Guide to Distribution Codes. In addition to new Code B, distribution codes 1 and 2 have been revised for withdrawals by qualified reservists and certain public safety employees. respectively, based on provisions in the Pension Protection Act of 2006.

Form 5498. The following changes have been made to the Specific Instructions for Form 5498.

Account closure. Instructions for the reporting of an account closure have been added to the discussion of an IRA revocation.

Contributions. A caution has been added to remind filers that Form 5498 is required to be filed even after required minimum distributions or other payments have started.

Special reporting for U.S. Armed Forces in designated combat zones. Section 2 of the Heroes Earned Retirement Opportunities (HERO) Act of 2006 amended section 219(f) and allows combat pay that is excluded under section 112 to be included in compensation for determining the amounts that may be contributed to both traditional and Roth IRAs. These rules will be applied retroactively to allow contributions for tax years 2004 and 2005. See page R-16 for the special reporting rules.

## Items You Should Note

## Photographs of Missing Children

The Internal Revenue Service is a proud partner with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Photographs of missing children selected by the Center may appear in instructions on pages that would otherwise be blank. You can help bring these children home by looking at the

photographs and calling 1-800-THE-LOST(1-800-843-5678) if you recognize a child.

## **Available Products**

In addition to these general instructions, which contain general information concerning Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, and W-2G, we provide specific form instructions as separate products. Get the instructions you need for completing a specific form from the following list of separate instructions:

- Instructions for Forms W-2G and 5754
- Instructions for Form 1098
- Instructions for Form 1098-C
- Instructions for Forms 1098-E and 1098-T
- Instructions for Forms 1099-A and 1099-C
- Instructions for Form 1099-B
- Instructions for Form 1099-CAP
- Instructions for Form 1099-DIV
- Instructions for Form 1099-G
- Instructions for Form 1099-H
- Instructions for Forms 1099-INT and 1099-OID
- Instructions for Form 1099-LTC
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- Instructions for Form 1099-PATR
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- Instructions for Form 1099-S
- Instructions for Forms 1099-SA and 5498-SA
- Instructions for Form 5498-ESA

See How To Get Forms and Publications on page GEN-16.

## Guide to Information Returns

See the chart on pages GEN-18 and GEN-19 for a brief summary of information return reporting rules.

## Use Form 1096 To Send Forms to the IRS

You must send Copies A of all paper Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, and W-2G to the IRS with Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns. Instructions for completing Form 1096 are contained on Form 1096. Also see part E on page GEN-4.

## Reporting Backup Withholding on Forms 1099 and W-2G

If you backup withhold on a payment, you must file the appropriate Form 1099 or Form W-2G with the IRS and furnish a statement to the recipient to report the amount of the payment and the amount withheld. This applies even though the amount of the payment may be below the normal threshold for filing Form 1099 or Form W-2G. See part N on page

## Substitute Statements to Recipients

If you are using a substitute form to furnish statements to recipients (generally Copy B), be sure your substitute statements comply with the rules in Pub. 1179, General Rules and Specifications for Substitute Forms 1096, 1098, 1099, 5498, W-2G, and 1042-S. Pub. 1179, which is revised annually, explains the requirements for format and content of substitute statements to recipients. If you are using a substitute form to furnish information to recipients, it must comply with the requirements in Pub. 1179. See part M. Statement to Recipients on page GEN-9 for additional information.



All substitute statements to recipients must contain the tax year, form number, and form name prominently сантим displayed together in one area of the statement. For example, they could be shown in the upper right part of the

## Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) Matching

TIN Matching allows a payer or authorized agent who is required to file Forms 1099-B, DIV, INT, MISC, OID, and/or PATR, which report income subject to backup withholding, to match TIN and name combinations with IRS records before submitting the forms to the IRS. TIN Matching is one of the e-services products that is offered, and is accessible through the IRS website. Go to *www.irs.gov* and search for "e-services." It is anticipated that payers who validate the TIN and name combinations before filing information returns will receive fewer backup withholding (CP2100) "B" notices and penalty notices. E-services technical support is available by calling 1-866-255-0654, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Eastern time.

## A. Who Must File

See the separate specific instructions for each form.

Nominee/middleman returns. Generally, if you receive a Form 1099 for amounts that actually belong to another person, you are considered a nominee recipient. You must file a Form 1099 with the IRS (the same type of Form 1099 you received) for each of the other owners showing the amounts allocable to each. You must also furnish a Form 1099 to each of the other owners. File the new Form 1099 with Form 1096 with the Internal Revenue Service Center for your area. On each new Form 1099, list yourself as the "payer" and the other owner as the "recipient." On Form 1096, list yourself as the "filer." A husband or wife is not required to file a nominee return to show amounts owned by the other. The nominee, not the original payer, is responsible for filing the subsequent Forms 1099 to show the amount allocable to each owner.

Successor/predecessor reporting. A successor business (a corporation, partnership, or sole proprietorship) and a predecessor business (a corporation, partnership, or sole proprietorship) may agree that the successor will assume all or some of the predecessor's information reporting responsibilities. This would permit the successor to file one Form 1099, 1098, 5498, or W-2G for each recipient combining the predecessor's and successor's reportable amounts, including any withholding. If they so agree and the successor satisfies the predecessor's obligations and the conditions described below, the predecessor does not have to file the specified information returns for the acquisition year. If the successor and predecessor do not agree, or if the requirements described are not met, the predecessor and the successor each must file Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, and W-2G for their own reportable amounts as they usually would. For more information and the rules that apply to filing combined Forms 1042-S, see Rev. Proc. 99-50, which is available on page 757 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 1999-52 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb99-52. pdf.

The combined reporting procedure is available when all the following conditions are met.

- 1. The successor acquires from the predecessor substantially all the property (a) used in the trade or business of the predecessor, including when one or more corporations are absorbed by another corporation under a merger agreement, or (b) used in a separate unit of a trade or business of the predecessor.
- 2. The predecessor is required to report amounts, including any withholding, on information returns for the year of acquisition for the period before the acquisition.
- 3. The predecessor is not required to report amounts, including withholding, on information returns for the year of acquisition for the period after the acquisition.

Combined reporting agreement. The predecessor and the successor must agree on the specific forms to which the combined reporting procedure applies and that the successor assumes the predecessor's entire information reporting obligations for these forms. The predecessor and successor may agree to:

- 1. Use the combined reporting procedure for all Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, and W-2G, or
- 2. Limit the use of the combined reporting procedure to (a) specific forms or (b) specific reporting entities, including any unit, branch, or location within a particular business entity that files its own separate information returns. For example, if the predecessor's and successor's only compatible computer or recordkeeping systems are their dividends paid ledgers, they

may agree to use the combined reporting procedure for Forms 1099-DIV only. Similarly, if the only compatible systems are in their midwest branches, they may agree to use the combined reporting procedure for only the midwest branches.

Combined reporting procedure. On each Form 1099, 1098, 5498, and W-2G filed by the successor, the successor must combine the predecessor's (before the acquisition) and successor's reportable amounts, including any withholding, for the acquisition year and report the aggregate. For transactional reporting on Form 1099-B, Proceeds From Broker and Barter Exchange Transactions, the successor must report each of the predecessor's transactions and each of its own transactions on each Form 1099-B. The successor may include with the form sent to the recipient additional information explaining the combined reporting.

For purposes of the combined reporting procedure, the sharing of TINs and other information obtained under section 3406 for information reporting and backup withholding purposes does not violate the confidentiality rules in section 3406(f).

**Statement required.** The successor must file a statement with the IRS indicating the forms that are being filed on a combined basis under Rev. Proc. 99-50. The statement must:

- 1. Include the predecessor's and successor's names, addresses, telephone numbers, EINs, and the name and telephone number of the person responsible for preparing the statement.
- Reflect separately the amount of federal income tax withheld by the predecessor and by the successor for each type of form being filed on a combined basis (for example, Form 1099-R or 1099-MISC).
- 3. Be sent separately from Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, and W-2G by the forms' due date to: Enterprise Computing Center—Martinsburg, Attn: Chief, Information Returns Branch, Mail Stop 360, 230 Murall Dr., Kearneysville, WV 25430. Do not send Form 1042-S statements to this address. Instead, use the address given in the Instructions for Form 1042-S; see Rev. Proc. 99-50.

**Qualified settlement funds.** A qualified settlement fund must file information returns for distributions to claimants if any transferor to the fund would have been required to file if the transferor had made the distributions directly to the claimants.

For distributions to transferors, a fund is subject to the information reporting requirements of sections 6041 and 6041A and may be required to file Form 1099-MISC. For payments made by the fund on behalf of a claimant or transferor, the fund is subject to these same rules and may have to file Form 1099-MISC for the payment to a third party. For information reporting purposes, a payment made by the fund on behalf of a claimant or transferor is considered a distribution to the claimant or transferor and is also subject to information reporting requirements.

The same filing requirements, exceptions, and thresholds may apply to qualified settlement funds as apply to any other payer. That is, the fund must determine the character of the payment (for example, interest, fixed and determinable income, or gross proceeds from broker transactions) and to whom the payment is made (for example, corporation or individual).

For more information, see Regulations section 1.468B-2(I). Also, see Treasury Decision (TD) 9429 available on page 546 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2006-10 at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb06-10.pdf">www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb06-10.pdf</a>. TD 9249 relates to escrow and similar funds.

**Payments to foreign persons.** See the Instructions for Form 1042-S, relating to U.S. source income of foreign persons, for reporting requirements relating to payments to foreign persons.

## **B. Other Information Returns**

The income information you report on the following forms must not be repeated on Forms 1099 or W-2G:

- Form W-2 reporting wages and other employee compensation.
- Forms 1042-S and 1000 reporting income to foreign persons.
- Form 2439 reporting undistributed long-term capital gains of a regulated investment company or real estate investment trust.
- Schedule K-1 of Form 1065 or 1065-B reporting distributive shares to members of a partnership.
- Schedule K-1 of Form 1041 reporting distributions to beneficiaries of trusts or estates.
- Schedule K-1 of Form 1120S reporting distributive shares to shareholders of S corporations.
- Schedule K of Form 1120-IC-DISC reporting actual and constructive distributions to shareholders and deferred DISC
- Schedule Q of Form 1066 reporting income from a REMIC to a residual interest holder.

## C. When To File

File Forms 1098, 1099, or W-2G on paper or magnetic media by February 28, 2007 (April 2, 2007, if filing electronically). Also file Form 1096 with paper forms. Brokers may file Forms 1096 and 1099-B anytime after the reporting period they elect to adopt (month, quarter, or year), but not later than the due date. File Form 1096 with Forms 5498, 5498-ESA, and 5498-SA by May 31, 2007.

You will meet the requirement to file if the form is properly addressed and mailed on or before the due date. If the regular due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, file by the next business day. A business day is any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. See part M on page GEN-9 about providing Forms 1098, 1099, 5498, and W-2G or statements to recipients.

Private delivery services. You can use certain private delivery services designated by the IRS to meet the "timely mailing as timely filing" rule for information returns. The list includes only the following:

- DHL Worldwide Express (DHL): DHL "Same Day" Service: DHL Next Day 10:30 AM; DHL Next Day 12:00 PM; DHL Next Day 3:00 PM; and DHL 2nd Day Service.
- Federal Express (FedEx): FedEx Priority Overnight, FedEx Standard Overnight, FedEx 2 Day, FedEx International Priority, and FedEx International First.
- United Parcel Service (UPS): UPS Next Day Air, UPS Next Day Air Saver, UPS 2nd Day Air, UPS 2nd Day Air A.M., UPS Worldwide Express Plus, and UPS Worldwide Express.

The private delivery service can tell you how to get written proof of the mailing date.



Private delivery services cannot deliver items to P.O. boxes. You must use the U.S. Postal Service to mail any AUTION item to an IRS P.O. box address.

Reporting period. Forms 1098, 1099, and W-2G are used to report amounts received, paid, credited, donated, or canceled in the case of Form 1099-C during the calendar year. Forms 5498, 5498-ESA, and 5498-SA are used to report amounts contributed and the fair market value of an account for the calendar year.

Extension. For paper or electronic/magnetic media filing, you can get a 30-day extension of time to file by sending Form 8809, Application for Extension of Time To File Information Returns, to the address shown on Form 8809. No signature or explanation is required for the extension. However, you must file Form 8809 by the due date of the returns in order to get the 30-day extension. Under certain hardship conditions you may apply for an additional 30-day extension. See Form 8809 for more information.



If you are requesting extensions of time to file for more than 50 payers, you must submit the extension requests magnetically or electronically. See Pub. 1220.

For information on extensions for providing statements to recipients, see Extension on page GEN-11.

## D. Where To File

Except for Form 1098-C, send all information returns filed on paper to the following:

If your principal business, office or agency, or legal residence in the case of an individual, is located in

Use the following **Internal Revenue Service Center** address

Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Mississippi, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia

Austin, TX 73301

Alaska, California, Colorado, District of Columbia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Washington, Wisconsin, Wyoming

Kansas City, MO 64999

If your legal residence or principal place of business or principal office or agency is outside the United States, file with the Internal Revenue Service Center, Austin, TX 73301.

Form 1098-C. Send all Forms 1098-C filed on paper to the Internal Revenue Service Center, Ogden, UT 84201-0027.

Returns filed magnetically. Send all information returns filed magnetically to Enterprise Computing Center-Martinsburg, Information Reporting Program, 230 Murall Drive, Kearneysville, WV 25430.

State and local tax departments. Contact the applicable state and local tax department as necessary for reporting requirements and where to file Copy 1 (Forms 1099-MISC and 1099-R). Generally, the state or local tax department you need to contact will be located in the recipient's state of legal residence.

## E. Filing Returns With the IRS

The IRS strongly encourages the quality review of data before filing to prevent erroneous notices from being mailed to payees (or others for whom information is being reported).

If you must file any Form 1098, 1099, 5498, or W-2G with the IRS and you are filing paper forms, you must send a Form 1096 with each type of form as the transmittal document. You must group the forms by form number and submit each group with a separate Form 1096. For example, if you file Forms 1098, 1099-A, and 1099-MISC, complete one Form 1096 to transmit Forms 1098, another for Forms 1099-A, and a third for Forms 1099-MISC. Specific instructions for completing Form 1096 are included on the form. Also, see Transmitters, paying agents, etc. on page GEN-5. For information about filing corrected returns, see part H, Corrected Returns on Paper Forms on page GEN-6.

If you are filing on magnetic media, Form 4804, Transmittal of Information Returns Reported Magnetically, must accompany your submissions.



Form 4804 is no longer required if you file information returns electronically. See part F on page GEN-5.

For information on the preparation of transmittal documents for magnetic media and paper document reporting (Forms 4804 and 1096), see Rev. Proc. 84-24, 1984-1 C.B. 465.

See Pub. 1179 for specifications for private printing of substitute information returns. You may not request special consideration. Only forms that conform with the official form and the specifications in Pub. 1179 are acceptable for filing with the IRS.

**Transmitters, paying agents, etc.** A transmitter, service bureau, paying agent, or disbursing agent (hereafter referred to as "agent") may sign Form 1096 or Form 4804 on behalf of any person required to file (hereafter referred to as "payer") if the conditions in 1 and 2 below are met.

- 1. The agent has the authority to sign the form under an agency agreement (oral, written, or implied) that is valid under state law and
- 2. The agent signs the form and adds the caption "For: (Name of payer)."

Signing of the form by an authorized agent on behalf of the payer does not relieve the payer of the liability for penalties for not filing a correct, complete, and timely Form 1096 or Form 4804 and accompanying returns.

Forms 1098, 1099, 5498, W-2G, or acceptable substitute statements to recipients issued by a service bureau or agent should show the same payer's name as shown on the information returns filed with the IRS.

For information about the election to report and deposit backup withholding under the agent's TIN and how to prepare forms if the election is made, see Rev. Proc. 84-33, 1984-1 C.B. 502.

**Keeping copies.** Generally, keep copies of information returns you filed with the IRS or have the ability to reconstruct the data for at least 3 years, 4 years for Form 1099-C, from the due date of the returns. Keep copies of information returns for 4 years if backup withholding was imposed.

**Shipping and mailing.** Send the forms to the IRS in a flat mailing (not folded). If you are sending many forms, you may send them in conveniently sized packages. On each package, write your name, number the packages consecutively, and place Form 1096 in package number one. Postal regulations require forms and packages to be sent by First-Class Mail.

## F. Electronic/Magnetic Media Reporting

Magnetic media reporting may be required for filing all information returns discussed in these instructions (see *Who must file on magnetic media* below). Acceptable forms of magnetic media are IBM 3480, 3490, 3490E, 3590, or 3590E tape cartridges.

For returns filed after December 31, 2006, Enterprise Computing Center—Martinsburg (ECC-MTB) will no longer accept 3½-inch diskettes for filing information returns.



For returns filed after December 31, 2008, Enterprise Computing Center—Martinsburg (ECC-MTB) will no longer accept tape cartridges. Electronic filing will be the cceptable method for filing information returns with

only acceptable method for filing information returns with ECC-MTB.

Pub. 1220, Specifications for Filing Forms 1098, 1099, 5498, and W-2G Electronically or Magnetically, provides the procedures for reporting electronically or magnetically. Pub. 1220 is available on the IRS website at <a href="https://www.irs.gov">www.irs.gov</a> or as Revenue Procedure 2006-33 which is available on page 140 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2006-32 at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb06-32.pdf">www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb06-32.pdf</a>. Different types of payments, such as interest, dividends, and rents, may be reported on the same tape or other submission.

You can file electronically through the Filing Information Returns Electronically System (FIRE System); however, you must have software that can produce a file in the proper format according to Pub. 1220. The FIRE System does not provide a fill-in form option. The FIRE System operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You may access the FIRE System via the Internet at <a href="http://fire.irs.gov">http://fire.irs.gov</a>. See Pub. 1220 for more information.

**Due dates.** File Forms 1098, 1099, or W-2G on magnetic media by February 28, 2007. If you file electronically, you may file by April 2, 2007. File Form 5498, 5498-ESA, or 5498-SA by May 31, 2007. See part M on page GEN-9 about providing Forms 1098, 1099, 5498, and W-2G or statements to recipients.

**Extension of time to file.** For information about requesting an extension of time to file, see *Extension* under part C on page GEN-4.



If you file electronically or on magnetic media, do not file the same returns on paper.

Who must file on magnetic media. If you are required to file 250 or more information returns, you must file on magnetic media. The 250-or-more requirement applies separately to each type of form. For example, if you must file 500 Forms 1098 and 100 Forms 1099-A, you must file Forms 1098 on magnetic media, but you are not required to file Forms 1099-A on magnetic media.

The magnetic media filing requirement does not apply if you apply for and receive a hardship waiver. See *How to request a waiver from filing on magnetic media* below.



The IRS encourages you to file on magnetic media or electronically even though you are filing fewer than 250 returns

Filing requirement applies separately to originals and corrections. The magnetic media filing requirements apply separately to original returns and corrected returns. Originals and corrections are not aggregated to determine whether you are required to file on magnetic media. For example, if you file 400 Forms 1098 on magnetic media and you are making 75 corrections, your corrections can be filed on paper because the number of corrections for Form 1098 is less than the 250 filing requirement. However, if you were filing 250 or more Form 1098 corrections, they would have to be filed on magnetic media.

Reporting incorrect payer name and/or TIN. If a payer discovers an error in reporting the payer name and/or TIN, write a letter to IRS/ECC-MTB (see below) containing the:

- 1. Name and address of the payer,
- 2. Type of error (including the incorrect payer name/TIN that was reported),
  - 3. Tax year,
  - 4. Payer TIN,
  - 5. Transmitter Control Code (TCC), if applicable,
  - 6. Type of return,
  - 7. Number of payees, and
  - 8. Filing method (paper, electronic, or magnetic media).

Send the letter to Enterprise Computing Center—Martinsburg, Information Reporting Program, 240 Murall Drive, Kearneysville, WV 25430. Also see Pub. 1220, Part A, Section 11.

If a payer realizes duplicate reporting or a large percentage of incorrect information has been filed, contact the information reporting customer service site at 1-866-455-7438 for further instructions

How to get approval to file on magnetic media. File Form 4419, Application for Filing Information Returns Electronically/ Magnetically, at least 30 days before the due date of the returns. File only one Form 4419 for all types of returns that will be filed on magnetic media. Once you have received approval, you need not reapply each year. The IRS will provide a written reply to the applicant and further instructions at the time of approval, usually within 30 days. A magnetic media reporting package, which includes all the necessary transmittals and instructions, will be mailed to all approved filers.

How to request a waiver from filing on magnetic media. To receive a waiver from the required filing of information returns on magnetic media, submit Form 8508, Request for Waiver From Filing Information Returns Electronically/Magnetically, at least 45 days before the due date of the returns. You cannot apply for a waiver for more than 1 tax year at a time. If you

need a waiver for more than 1 tax year, you must reapply at the appropriate time each year.

If a waiver for original returns is approved, any corrections for the same types of returns will be covered under the waiver. However, if you submit original returns on magnetic media but you want to submit your corrections on paper, a waiver must be approved for the corrections if you must file 250 or more corrections.

If you receive an approved waiver, do not send a copy of it to the service center where you file your paper returns. Keep the waiver for your records only.

**Single application.** Submit both Forms 4419 and 8508 to apply for approval for filing returns on magnetic media, and if the approval is not granted, to apply for a waiver from the magnetic media requirement.

**Penalty.** If you are required to file on magnetic media but fail to do so, and you do not have an approved waiver, you may be subject to a penalty of \$50 per return for failure to file on magnetic media unless you establish reasonable cause. However, you can file up to 250 returns on paper; those returns will not be subject to a penalty for failure to file on magnetic media.

The penalty applies separately to original returns and corrected returns. See *Filing requirement applies separately to originals and corrections* on page GEN-5.

## G. Paper Document Reporting

If you are required to file 250 or more information returns, see *Electronic/Magnetic Media Reporting* on page GEN-5.

**Common errors.** Be sure to check your returns to prevent the following common errors.

- 1. Duplicate filing. Do not send the same information to the IRS more than once. Also see *Multiple filings* below.
- 2. Filer's name, address, and TIN are not the same on Form 1096 and the attached Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, or W-2G.
- 3. Decimal point to show dollars and cents omitted. For example, 1230.00 is correct, not 1230.
- 4. Two or more types of returns submitted with one Form 1096 (for example, Forms 1099-INT and 1099-MISC with one Form 1096). You must submit a separate Form 1096 with each type of return.

**Multiple filings.** If, after you file Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, or W-2G, you discover additional forms that are required to be filed, file these forms with a new Form 1096. Do not include copies or information from previously filed returns.

**Required format.** Because paper forms are scanned, all Forms 1096 and Copies A of Forms 1098, 1099, and 5498 must be prepared in accordance with the following instructions. If these instructions are not followed, you may be subject to a penalty of \$50 for each incorrectly filed document.

- 1. Do not cut or separate Copies A of the forms that are printed two or three to a sheet (except Forms W-2G and 1098-C). Generally, Forms 1098, 1099, and 5498 are printed two or three to an 8 x 11 inch sheet. Form 1096 is printed one to an 8 x 11 inch sheet. These forms must be submitted to the IRS on the 8 x 11 inch sheet. If at least one form on the page is correctly completed, you must submit the entire page. Forms W-2G may be separated and submitted as single forms. Send the forms to the IRS in a flat mailing (not folded).
- 2. No photocopies of any forms are acceptable. See *How To Get Forms and Publications* on page GEN-16.
- 3. Do not staple, tear, or tape any of these forms. It will interfere with the IRS's ability to scan the documents.
- 4. Pinfeed holes on the form are not acceptable. Pinfeed strips outside the 8 x 11 inch area must be removed before submission, without tearing or ripping the form. Substitute forms prepared in continuous or strip form must be burst and stripped to conform to the size specified for a single sheet (8 x 11 inches) before they are filed with the IRS.
- 5. Do not change the title of any box on any form. Do not use a form to report information that is not properly reportable

on that form. If you are unsure of where to report the data, call the information reporting call site at 1-866-455-7438 (toll free).

- 6. Report information only in the appropriate boxes provided on the forms. Make only one entry in each box unless otherwise indicated in the form's specific instructions.
  - 7. Do not submit any copy other than Copy A to the IRS.
- 8. Do not use prior year forms unless you are reporting prior year information; do not use subsequent year forms for the current year. Because forms are scanned, you must use the current year form to report current year information.
- 9. Use the official forms or substitute forms that meet the specifications in Pub. 1179. If you submit substitute forms that do not meet the current specifications and that are not scannable, you may be subject to a penalty of \$50 for each return for improper format.
- 10. Do not use dollar signs (\$) (they are preprinted on the forms), ampersands (&), asterisks (\*), commas (,), or other special characters in money amount boxes.
- 11. Do not use apostrophes ('), asterisks (\*), or other special characters on the payee name line.

## Suggested format. Follow these suggestions:

- 1. Although handwritten forms are acceptable, the IRS prefers that you type or machine print data entries using 10 pitch (pica) or 12 pitch (elite) black type. Use block print, not script characters. Insert data in the middle of the blocks well separated from other printing and guidelines, and take other measures to guarantee a dark black, clear, sharp image.
- 2. Do not enter 0 (zero) or "None" in money amount boxes when no entry is required. Leave the boxes blank unless the instructions specifically require that you enter a 0 (zero). For example, in some cases, you must enter 0 (zero) to make corrections. See *Corrected Returns on Paper Forms* below.
  - 3. Do not enter number signs (#)—RT 2, not Rt. #2.

## H. Corrected Returns on Paper Forms



To file corrections on magnetic media, see Electronic/ Magnetic Media Reporting on page GEN-5 and Pub. 1220.

If you filed a return with the IRS and later discover you made an error on it, you must:

- Correct it as soon as possible and file Copy A and Form 1096 with your Internal Revenue Service Center (see *Where To File* on page GEN-4).
- Furnish statements to recipients showing the correction.

When making a correction, complete all information (see Filing Corrected Returns on Paper Forms on page GEN-7).

- Do not cut or separate forms that are two or three to a page.
   Submit the entire page even if only one of the forms on the page is completed.
- Do not staple the forms to Form 1096.
- Do not send corrected returns to the IRS if you are correcting state or local information only. Contact the state or local tax department for help with this type of correction.

To correct payer information, see Reporting incorrect payer name and/or TIN on page GEN-5.

**Form 1096.** Use a separate Form 1096 for each type of return you are correcting. For the same type of return, you may use one Form 1096 for both originals and corrections. You do not need to correct a previously filed Form 1096.

**CORRECTED checkbox.** Enter an "X" in the corrected checkbox only when correcting a form previously filed with the IRS or furnished to the recipient. Certain errors require two returns to make the correction. See *Filing Corrected Returns on Paper Forms* on page GEN-7 to determine when to mark the "CORRECTED" checkbox.

**Account number.** If the account number was provided on the original return, the same account number must be included on both the original and corrected return to properly identify and process the correction. If the account number was not provided

## **Filing Corrected Returns on Paper Forms**

Identify the correction needed based on **Error Type 1 or 2**; then follow the steps to make the corrections and file the form(s). Also see **Corrected Returns on Paper Forms** on page GEN-6.

Error Type 1	Correction
Incorrect money amount(s), code, or checkbox, or Incorrect address, or Incorrect payee name, or	<ul> <li>A. Form 1098, 1099, 5498, or W-2G</li> <li>1. Prepare a new information return.</li> <li>2. Enter an "X" in the "CORRECTED" box (and date (optional)) at the top of the form.</li> <li>3. Correct any recipient information such as money amounts and address. Report other information as per original return.</li> </ul>
A return was filed when one should not have been filed.  These errors require only one return to make the correction.  Caution: If you must correct a TIN and/or a name and address, follow the instructions under Error 2.	<ol> <li>B. Form 1096         <ol> <li>Prepare a new transmittal Form 1096.</li> <li>Provide all requested information on the form as it applies to Part A, 1 and 2.</li> <li>File Form 1096 and Copy A of the return with the appropriate service center.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Do not include a copy of the original return that was filed incorrectly.</li> </ol>

Error Type 2	Correction	
No payee TIN (SSN, EIN, QI-EIN, or ITIN), or Incorrect payee TIN, or Incorrect name and address or	Step 1. Identify incorrect return submitted.	<ol> <li>Prepare a new information return.</li> <li>Enter an "X" in the "CORRECTED" box (and date (optional)) at the top of the form.</li> <li>Enter the payer, recipient, and account number information exactly as it appeared on the original incorrect return; however, enter 0 (zero) for all money amounts.</li> </ol>
Original return filed using wrong type of return (for example, a Form 1099-DIV was filed when a Form 1099-INT should have been filed).  Two separate returns are required to make the correction properly. Follow all instructions for both Steps 1 and 2.  Note: You do not have to file a corrected return for an incorrect payer TIN and/or incorrect payer name and address.	Step 2. Report correct information.	<ol> <li>A. Form 1098, 1099, 5498, or W-2G</li> <li>Prepare a new information return.</li> <li>Do not enter an "X" in the "CORRECTED" box at the top of the form. Prepare the new return as though it is an original.</li> <li>Include all the correct information on the form including the correct TIN, name, and address.</li> <li>B. Form 1096</li> <li>Prepare a new transmittal Form 1096.</li> <li>Enter the words "Filed To Correct TIN," "Filed to Correct Name and Address," or "Filed to Correct Return" in the bottom margin of the form.</li> <li>Provide all requested information on the form as it applies to the returns prepared in Steps 1 and 2.</li> <li>File Form 1096 and Copy A of the return with the appropriate service center.</li> <li>Do not include a copy of the original return that was filed incorrectly.</li> </ol>

on the original return, do not include it on the corrected return. See part L on page GEN-9.

Recipient's statement. You may enter a date next to the "CORRECTED" checkbox. This will help the recipient in the case of multiple corrections.

Filing corrected returns on paper forms. The error charts on page GEN-7 give step-by-step instructions for filing corrected returns for the most frequently made errors. They are grouped under Error Type 1 or 2, based on how the correction is made. Correction of errors may require the submission of more than one return. Be sure to read and follow the steps given.



If you fail to file correct information returns or furnish a correct payee statement, you may be subject to a penalty. See part O on page GEN-12. Regulations

section 301.6724-1 (relating to information return penalties) does not require you to file corrected returns for missing or incorrect TINs if you meet the reasonable cause criteria. You are merely required to include the correct TIN on the next original return you are required to file. However, if you do not meet the reasonable cause criteria, a reduced penalty may be imposed if the corrected returns are filed by August 1.

In addition, even if you meet the reasonable cause criteria, the IRS encourages you to file corrections for incorrect or missing TINs so that the IRS can update the payees' records.

## I. Void Returns

An "X" in the "VOID" box at the top of the form will not correct a previously filed return. See Corrected Returns on Paper Forms on page GEN-6 for instructions for making corrections.

**VOID box.** If a completed or partially completed Form 1098, 1099, or 5498 is incorrect and you want to void it before submission to the IRS, enter an "X" in the "VOID" box at the top of the form. For example, if you make an error while typing or printing a form, you should void it. The return will then be disregarded during processing by the IRS. Go to the next form on the page, or to another page, and enter the correct information; but do not mark the "CORRECTED" box. Do not cut or separate the forms that are two or three to a page. Submit the entire page even if only one of the forms on the page is a good return.

## J. Recipient Names and Taxpayer Identification Numbers (TINs)

Recipient name. Show the full name and address in the section provided on the information return. If payments have been made to more than one recipient or the account is in more than one name, show on the first name line the name of the recipient whose TIN is first shown on the return. You may show the names of any other individual recipients in the area below the first line, if desired. Form W-2G filers, see the Instructions for Forms W-2G and 5754.

Sole proprietors. You must show the individual's name on the first name line; on the second name line, you may enter the "doing business as (DBA)" name. You may not enter only the DBA name. For the TIN, enter either the individual's SSN or the EIN of the business (sole proprietorship). The IRS prefers that you enter the SSN.

Limited liability company (LLC). For a single-member LLC (including a foreign LLC with a U.S. owner) that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Regulations section 301.7701-3, enter the individual's name only on the first name line and the LLC's name on the second name line. For the TIN, enter the individual's SSN (or EIN, if applicable). If the LLC is a corporation, partnership, etc., enter the entity's EIN.

Bankruptcy estate. If an individual (the debtor) for whom you are required to file an information return is in Chapter 11 bankruptcy, and the debtor notified you of the bankruptcy estate's EIN, report post-petition gross income, gross proceeds, or other reportable payments on the applicable information return using the estate's name and EIN. The debtor should notify you when the bankruptcy is closed, dismissed, or converted, so that any subsequent information returns will be filed with the correct name and EIN. Different rules apply if the bankruptcy is converted to Chapter 7, 12, or 13 of the Bankruptcy Code. For additional guidance, see Notice 2006-83 which is on page 596 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2006-40 available at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb06-40.pdf.

TINs. TINs are used to associate and verify amounts you report to the IRS with corresponding amounts on tax returns. Therefore, it is important that you furnish correct names, social security numbers (SSNs), individual taxpayer identification numbers (ITINs), or employer identification numbers (EINs) for recipients on the forms sent to the IRS.

Requesting a recipient's TIN. If the recipient is a U.S. person (including a U.S. resident alien), the IRS suggests that you request the recipient complete Form W-9 (or Form W-9S, if appropriate). See the Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 for more information on how to request a TIN.

If the recipient is a foreign person, the IRS suggests that you request the recipient complete the appropriate Form W-8. See the Instructions for the Requester of Forms W-8BEN, W-8ECI, W-8EXP, and W-8IMY.



U.S. resident aliens who rely on a "saving clause" of a tax treaty are to complete Form W-9, not Form W-8BEN. CAUTION See Pub. 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities, and Pub. 519.

You may be subject to a penalty for an incorrect or missing TIN on an information return. See part O on page GEN-12. You are required to maintain the confidentiality of information obtained on a Form W-9/W-9S relating to the taxpayer's identity (including SSNs, EINs, and ITINs), and you may use such information only to comply with the tax laws.



If the recipient does not provide a TIN, leave the box for the recipient's TIN blank on the Form 1098, 1099, 5498, or W-2G. Only one recipient TIN can be entered on the form. Backup withholding may apply; see part N on page GEN-11.

The TIN for individual recipients of information returns is the SSN. See the information about sole proprietors above. For other recipients, including corporations, partnerships, and estates, the TIN is the EIN. Income reportable after the death of an individual must reflect the TIN of the payee, that is of the estate or of the surviving joint owner. For more information, see Personal Representative in Pub. 559, Survivors, Executors, and Administrators. For LLCs, see the information on LLC above.

SSNs have nine digits separated by two hyphens (000-00-0000), and EINs have nine digits separated by only one hyphen (00-000000).

Electronic submission of Forms W-9. Requesters may establish a system for payees and payees' agents to submit Forms W-9 electronically, including by fax. A requester is anyone required to file an information return. A payee is anyone required to provide a TIN to the requester.

Pavee's agent. A pavee's agent can be an investment advisor (corporation, partnership, or individual) or an introducing broker. An investment advisor must be registered with the Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) under The Investment Advisers Act of 1940. The introducing broker is a broker-dealer that is regulated by the SEC and the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., and that is not a payer. Except for a broker who acts as a payee's agent for "readily tradable instruments," the advisor or broker must show in writing to the payer that the payee authorized the advisor or broker to transmit the Form W-9 to the payer.

Generally, the electronic system must:

1. Ensure the information received is the information sent and document all occasions of user access that result in the submission.

- 2. Make reasonably certain the person accessing the system and submitting the form is the person identified on Form W-9.
  - 3. Provide the same information as the paper Form W-9.
- 4. Be able to supply a hard copy of the electronic Form W-9 if the IRS requests it.
- 5. Require as the final entry in the submission an electronic signature by the payee whose name is on Form W-9 that authenticates and verifies the submission. The electronic signature must be under penalties of perjury and the perjury statement must contain the language of the paper Form W-9.



For Forms W-9 that are not required to be signed, the electronic system need not provide for an electronic signature or a perjury statement.

Additional requirements may apply. See Announcement 98-27 that is available on page 30 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 1998-15 at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb98-15.pdf">www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb98-15.pdf</a> and Announcement 2001-91, which is available on page 221 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2001-36 at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb01-36.pdf">www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb01-36.pdf</a>.

**Electronic submission of Forms W-9S.** See the Instructions for Forms 1098-E and 1098-T.

## K. Filer's Name, Identification Number, and Address

The TIN for filers of information returns, including sole proprietors and nominees/middlemen, is the federal EIN. However, sole proprietors and nominees/middlemen who are not otherwise required to have an EIN should use their SSNs. A sole proprietor is not required to have an EIN unless he or she has a Keogh plan or must file excise or employment tax returns. See Pub. 583, Starting a Business and Keeping Records.

The filer's name and TIN should be consistent with the name and TIN used on the filer's other tax returns. The name of the filer's paying agent or service bureau must not be used in place of the name of the filer.

If you do not have an EIN, you may apply for one online. Go to the IRS website *www.irs.gov/businesses/small* and click on the link for EINs. You may also apply by calling 1-800-829-4933 or by faxing or mailing Form SS-4 to the IRS. See the Instructions for Form SS-4 for more information.

Enter your street address including the room, suite, or other unit number on the forms.

## L. Account Number Box on Forms

Use the account number box, when provided, on Forms 1099, 1098, and 5498 for an account number designation. The account number is required if you have multiple accounts for a recipient for whom you are filing more than one information return of the same type. Additionally, the IRS encourages you to include the recipient's account number on paper forms if your system of records uses the account number rather than the name or TIN for identification purposes. Also, the IRS will include the account number in future notices to you about backup withholding. If you are filing electronically or magnetically, see Pub. 1220.

The account number may be a checking account number, savings account number, serial number, or any other number you assign to the payee that is unique and will distinguish the specific account. This number must not appear anywhere else on the form, and this box may not be used for any other item unless the separate instructions indicate otherwise. Using unique account numbers ensures that corrected information returns will be processed accurately.

If you are using window envelopes to mail statements to recipients and using reduced rate mail, be sure the account number does not appear in the window. The Postal Service may not accept these for reduced rate mail.

## M. Statements to Recipients (Borrowers, Debtors, Donors, Insureds, Participants, Payers/Borrowers, Policyholders, Students, Transferors, or Winners on Certain Forms)

If you are required to file Forms 1099, 1098, 5498, or W-2G, you must also furnish statements to recipients containing the information furnished to the IRS and, in some cases, additional information. Be sure that the statements you provide to recipients are clear and legible.

**Substitute statements.** If you are not using the official IRS form to furnish statements to recipients, see Pub. 1179 for specific rules about providing "substitute" statements to recipients. Generally, a substitute is any statement other than Copy B of the official form. You may develop them yourself or buy them from a private printer. However, the substitutes must comply with the format and content requirements specified in Pub. 1179.

Telephone number. You are required to include the telephone number of a person to contact on the following statements to recipients: W-2G, 1098, 1098-C, 1098-E, 1098-T, 1099-A, 1099-B, 1099-CAP, 1099-DIV, 1099-G (excluding state and local income tax refunds), 1099-H, 1099-INT, 1099-LTC, 1099-MISC (excluding fishing boat proceeds), 1099-OID, 1099-PATR, 1099-Q, and 1099-S. You may include the telephone number in any conspicuous place on the statements. This number must provide direct access to an individual who can answer questions about the statement. Although not required, if you report on other Forms 1099 and 5498, you are encouraged to furnish telephone numbers.

**Rules for furnishing statements.** Different rules apply to furnishing statements to recipients depending on the type of payment (or other information) you are reporting and the form you are filing.



If you are reporting a payment that includes noncash property, show the fair market value of the property at the time of payment. Although, generally, you are not

required to report payments smaller than the minimum described for a form, you may prefer, for economy and your own convenience, to file Copies A for all payments. The IRS encourages this.

Report the type of payment information as described below: (a) Dividend, interest, and royalty payments; (b) Real estate transactions; and (c) Other information.

**Dividend, interest, and royalty payments.** For payments of dividends under section 6042 (reported on Form 1099-DIV) or patronage dividends under section 6044 (reported on Form 1099-PATR), interest (including original issue discount and tax-exempt interest) under section 6049 (reported on Form 1099-INT or 1099-OID), or royalties under section 6050N (reported on Form 1099-MISC or 1099-S), you are required to furnish an official IRS Form 1099 or an acceptable substitute Form 1099 to a recipient either in person, by First-Class Mail to the recipient's last known address, or electronically (see *Electronic recipient statements* on page GEN-11). Statements may be sent by intraoffice mail if you use intraoffice mail to send account information and other correspondence to the recipient.

Statement mailing requirements for Forms 1099-DIV, 1099-INT, 1099-OID, and 1099-PATR, and forms reporting royalties only. The following statement mailing requirements apply only to Forms 1099-DIV (except for section 404(k) dividends), 1099-INT (except for interest reportable in the course of your trade or business under section 6041), 1099-OID, 1099-PATR, and timber royalties reported under section 6050N (on Form 1099-MISC or 1099-S). The mailing must contain the official IRS Form 1099 or an acceptable substitute and may also contain the following enclosures: (a) Form W-2, applicable Form W-8, Form W-9, or other Forms

W-2G, 1098, 1099, and 5498 statements; (b) a check from the account being reported; (c) a letter explaining why no check is enclosed; (d) a statement of the person's account shown on Forms 1099, 1098, or 5498; and (e) a letter explaining the tax consequences of the information shown on the recipient statement.

A statement of the person's account (year-end account summary) that you are permitted to enclose in a statement mailing may include information similar to the following:(a) the part of a mutual fund distribution that is interest on U.S. Treasury obligations; (b) accrued interest expense on the purchase of a debt obligation; and (c) the cost or other basis of securities and the gain/loss on the sale of securities.

No additional enclosures, such as advertising, promotional material, or a quarterly or annual report, are permitted. Even a sentence or two on the year-end statement describing new services offered by the payer is not permitted. Logos are permitted on the envelope and on any nontax enclosures. See Notice 96-62 which is available on page 8 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 1996-49 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb96-49.pdf.



Until further guidance is issued regarding the use of certain logos and identifying slogans on substitute returns that are subject to the statement mailing

requirements, the IRS will not assess penalties for the use of a logo (including the name of the payer in any typeface, font, or stylized fashion and/or a symbolic icon) or slogan on a statement to a recipient if the logo or slogan is used by the payer in the ordinary course of its trade or business. In addition, use of the logo or slogan must not make it less likely that a reasonable payee will recognize the importance of the statement for tax reporting purposes.

A recipient statement may be perforated to a check or to a statement of the recipient's specific account. The check or account statement to which the recipient statement is perforated must contain, in bold and conspicuous type, the legend "Important Tax Return Document Attached."

The legend "Important Tax Return Document Enclosed" must appear in a bold and conspicuous manner on the outside of the envelope and on each letter explaining why no check is enclosed, or on each check or account statement that is not perforated to the recipient statement. The legend is not required on any tax form, tax statement, or permitted letter of tax consequences included in a statement mailing. Further, you need not pluralize the word "document" in the legend simply because more than one recipient statement is enclosed.



If you provide recipient statements in a "separate mailing" that contains only recipient statements, Forms W-8 and W-9, and a letter explaining the tax

consequences of the information shown on a recipient statement included in the envelope, you are not required to include the legend "Important Tax Return Document Enclosed" on the envelope.

Substitute forms. You may furnish to the recipient Copy B of the official IRS form, or you may use substitute Forms 1099-DIV, 1099-INT, 1099-OID, or 1099-PATR, if they contain the same language as the official IRS forms and they comply with the rules in Pub. 1179, relating to substitute Forms 1099. Applicable box titles and numbers must be clearly identified, using the same wording and numbering as the official IRS form. For information on substitute Forms 1099-MISC, see Other information below. For Forms 1099-S, see Real estate transactions below.



All substitute statements to recipients must contain the tax year, form number, and form name prominently displayed together in one area of the statement. For

example, they could be shown in the upper right part of the

If you are using substitutes, the IRS encourages you to use boxes so that the substitute has the appearance of a form. The substitute form must contain the applicable instructions as on the front and back of Copy B (in the case of Form 1099-R, Copies B, C, and 2) of the official IRS form. See Pub. 1179 for

additional requirements and certain "composite" statements that are permitted.

Real estate transactions. You must furnish a statement to the transferor containing the same information reported to the IRS on Form 1099-S. You may use Copy B of the official IRS Form 1099-S or a substitute form that complies with Pub. 1179 and Regulations section 1.6045-4(m). You may use a Uniform Settlement Statement (under RESPA) as the written statement if it is conformed by including on the statement the legend shown on Form 1099-S and by designating which information is reported to the IRS on Form 1099-S. You may furnish the statement to the transferor in person, by mail, or electronically. Furnish the statement at or after closing but by January 31 of the following year.

The statement mailing requirements explained on page GEN-9 do not apply to statements to transferors for proceeds from real estate transactions reported on Form 1099-S. However, the statement mailing requirements do apply to statements to transferors for timber royalties reportable under section 6050N on Form 1099-S.

Other information. Statements to recipients for Forms 1098, 1098-C, 1098-E, 1098-T, 1099-A, 1099-B, 1099-C, 1099-CAP, 1099-G, 1099-H, 1099-LTC, 1099-MISC, 1099-Q, 1099-R, 1099-SA, 5498, 5498-ESA, 5498-SA, W-2G, 1099-DIV only for section 404(k) dividends reportable under section 6047. 1099-INT only for interest reportable in the course of your trade or business under section 6041, or 1099-S only for royalties need not be, but can be, a copy of the official paper form filed with the IRS. If you do not use a copy of the paper form, the form number and title of your substitute must be the same as the official IRS form. All information required to be reported must be numbered and titled on your substitute in substantially the same manner as on the official IRS form. However, if you are reporting a payment as "Other income" in box 3 of Form 1099-MISC, you may substitute appropriate explanatory language for the box title. For example, for payments of accrued wages to a beneficiary of a deceased employee required to be reported on Form 1099-MISC, you might change the title of box 3 to "Beneficiary payments" or something similar.

Appropriate instructions to the recipient, similar to those on the official IRS form, must be provided to aid in the proper reporting of the items on the recipient's income tax return. For payments reported on Form 1099-B, rather than furnish appropriate instructions with each Form 1099-B statement, you may furnish to the recipient one set of instructions for all statements required to be furnished to a recipient in a calendar year.

Except for royalties reported on Form 1099-MISC, the statement mailing requirements explained earlier do not apply to statements to recipients for information reported on the forms listed under *Other information* above. You may combine the statements with other reports or financial or commercial notices, or expand them to include other information of interest to the recipient. Be sure that all copies of the forms are legible. See Pub. 1179 for certain "composite" statements that are permitted.

When to furnish forms or statements. Generally, you must furnish Forms 1098, 1099, and W-2G information by January 31, 2007. However, you may issue them earlier in some situations, as provided by the regulations. For example, you may furnish Form 1099-INT to the recipient on redemption of U.S. Savings Bonds at the time of redemption. Brokers and barter exchanges may furnish Form 1099-B anytime but not later than January 31, 2007.

Donee organizations required to issue Form 1098-C must furnish the acknowledgment to a donor within 30 days of the sale of the vehicle (if it is sold without material improvements or significant intervening use) or within 30 days of the contribution.

Trustees or issuers of traditional IRAs must furnish participants with a statement of the value of the participant's account, and RMD if applicable, by January 31, 2007. The fair market value of SEP IRAs must also be furnished to the participant by January 31, 2007. Traditional IRA, Roth IRA,

SEP, or SIMPLE contribution information must be furnished to the participant by May 31, 2007. However, Coverdell ESA contribution information must be furnished to the beneficiary by April 30, 2007.

Trustees of a SIMPLE must furnish a statement of the account balance and the account activity by January 31, 2007.

For real estate transactions, you may furnish the statement to the transferor at closing or by mail on or before January 31, 2007.

Filers of Form 1099-G who report state or local income tax refunds, credits, or offsets must furnish the statements to recipients during January 2007.

See the *Guide to Information Returns* on pages GEN-18 and GEN-19 for the date other information returns are due to the recipient.

You will meet the requirement to furnish the statement if it is properly addressed and mailed, or posted to a website, on or before the due date. If the regular due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the due date is the next business day. A business day is any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday.

**Electronic recipient statements.** If you are required to furnish a written statement (Copy B or an acceptable substitute) to a recipient, then you may furnish the statement electronically instead of on paper. This includes furnishing the statement to recipients of Forms 1098, 1098-E, 1098-T, 1099-A, B, C, CAP, DIV, H, INT, G, LTC, MISC, OID, PATR, Q, R, S, SA, 5498, 5498-ESA, and 5498-SA. It also includes Form W-2G (except for horse and dog racing, jai alai, sweepstakes, wagering pools, and lotteries).



Until further guidance is issued to the contrary, Form 1098-C may not be furnished electronically.

If you meet the requirements listed below, you are treated as furnishing the statement timely.

**Consent.** The recipient must consent in the affirmative and not have withdrawn the consent before the statement is furnished. The consent by the recipient must be made electronically in a way that shows that he or she can access the statement in the electronic format in which it will be furnished.

You must notify the recipient of any hardware or software changes prior to furnishing the statement. A new consent to receive the statement electronically is required after the new hardware or software is put into service.

Prior to furnishing the statements electronically, you must provide the recipient a statement with the following statements prominently displayed.

- If the recipient does not consent to receive the statement electronically, a paper copy will be provided.
- The scope and duration of the consent. For example, whether the consent applies to every year the statement is furnished or only for the January 31 immediately following the date of the consent.
- How to obtain a paper copy after giving consent.
- How to withdraw the consent. The consent may be withdrawn at any time by furnishing the withdrawal in writing (electronically or on paper) to the person whose name appears on the statement. Confirmation of the withdrawal also will be in writing (electronically or on paper).
- Notice of termination. The notice must state under what conditions the statements will no longer be furnished to the recipient.
- Procedures to update the recipient's information.
- A description of the hardware and software required to access, print, and retain a statement, and a date the statement will no longer be available on the website.

Format, posting, and notification. Additionally, you must:
• Ensure the electronic format contains all the required information and complies with the applicable revenue procedure for substitute statements to recipients in Pub. 1179.

- Post, on or before the January 31 due date, the applicable statement on a website accessible to the recipient through October 15 of that year.
- Inform the recipient, electronically or by mail, of the posting and how to access and print the statement.

For more information, see Regulations section 31.6051-1. For electronic furnishing of Forms 1098-E and 1098-T, see Regulations section 1.6050S-2. For electronic furnishing of Forms 1099-R, 1099-SA, 1099-Q, 5498, 5498-ESA, and 5498-SA, see Notice 2004-10 that is on page 433 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2004-6 at <a href="https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb04-06.pdf">www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb04-06.pdf</a>.

Extension. You may request an extension of time to provide the statements to recipients by sending a letter to Enterprise Computing Center—Martinsburg, Information Reporting Program, Attn: Extension of Time Coordinator, 240 Murall Drive, Kearneysville, WV 25430. The letter must include (a) your name, (b) your TIN, (c) your address, (d) type of return, (e) a statement that your extension request is for providing statements to recipients, (f) reason for delay, and (g) the signature of the payer or authorized agent. Your request must be postmarked by the date on which the statements are due to the recipients. If your request for an extension is approved, generally you will be granted a maximum of 30 extra days to furnish the recipient statements. If you are requesting extensions of time to furnish statements for 50 or more recipients, see the TIP under When To File on page GEN-4.

## N. Backup Withholding

Interest (including tax-exempt interest and exempt-interest dividends), dividends, rents, royalties, commissions, nonemployee compensation, and certain other payments (including broker and barter exchange transactions, reportable gross proceeds paid to attorneys, and certain payments made by fishing boat operators) may be subject to backup withholding at a 28% rate. To be subject to backup withholding, a payment must be a reportable interest (including tax-exempt interest and exempt-interest dividends) or a dividend payment under section 6049(a), 6042(a), or 6044 (if the patronage dividend is paid in money or qualified check), or an "other" reportable payment under section 6041, 6041A(a), 6045, 6050A, or 6050N. If the payment is one of these reportable payments, backup withholding will apply if:

- 1. The payee fails to furnish his or her taxpayer identification number (TIN) to you,
- 2. For interest, dividend, and broker and barter exchange accounts opened or instruments acquired after 1983, the payee fails to certify, under penalties of perjury, that the TIN provided is correct
- 3. The IRS notifies you to impose backup withholding because the payee furnished an incorrect TIN ("B" notice),
- 4. For interest and dividend accounts or instruments, you are notified that the payee is subject to backup withholding (under section 3406(a)(1)(C), "C" notice), or
- 5. For interest and dividend accounts opened or instruments acquired after 1983, the payee fails to certify to you, under penalties of perjury, that he or she is not subject to backup withholding under 4 above.

Except as explained in 2 above, reportable "other" payments are subject to backup withholding only if 1 or 3 above applies.

Some payees are exempt from backup withholding. For a list of exempt payees and other information, see Form W-9, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification, and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9.

Examples of payments to which backup withholding does not apply include but are not limited to:

- Wages.
- Distributions from a pension, annuity, profit-sharing or stock bonus plan, any IRA, an owner-employee plan, or other deferred compensation plan.

- Distributions from a medical or health savings account and long-term care benefits.
- Certain surrenders of life insurance contracts.
- Distribution from qualified tuition programs or Coverdell
- Gambling winnings if regular gambling winnings withholding is required under section 3402(q). However, if regular gambling winnings withholding is not required under section 3402(g) backup withholding applies if the payee fails to furnish a TIN.
- Real estate transactions reportable under section 6045(e).
- Cancelled debts reportable under section 6050P.
- Fish purchases for cash reportable under section 6050R.
- Certain payment card transactions if the payment is made on or after January 1, 2005, by a qualified payment card agent (as described in Rev. Proc. 2004-42 and Regulations section 31.3406(g)-1(f) and if the requirements under Regulations section 31.3406(g)-1(f) are met. Rev. Proc. 2004-42 is available on page 121 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2004-31 at www.irs. gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb04-31.pdf.

When to apply backup withholding. Generally, the period for which the 28% should be withheld is as follows:

1. Failure to furnish TIN in the manner required. Withhold on payments made until the TIN is furnished in the manner required. Special backup withholding rules may apply if the payee has applied for a TIN. The payee may certify to this on Form W-9 by noting "Applied For" in the TIN block and by signing the form. This form then becomes an "awaiting-TIN" certificate, and the payee has 60 days to obtain a TIN and furnish it to you. If you do not receive a TIN from the payee within 60 days and you have not already begun backup withholding, begin backup withholding and continue until the TIN is provided.

The 60-day exemption from backup withholding applies only to interest and dividend payments and certain CAUTION payments made with respect to readily tradable

instruments. Therefore, any other payment, such as nonemployee compensation, is subject to backup withholding even if the payee has applied for and is awaiting a TIN. For information about whether backup withholding applies during the 60-day period, see Regulations section 31.3406(g)-3.

Notice from the IRS that payee's TIN is incorrect ("B" notice). You may choose to withhold on any reportable payment made to the account(s) subject to backup withholding after receipt of the "B" notice, but you must withhold on any reportable payment made to the account more than 30 business days after you received the "B" notice. Stop withholding within 30 days after you receive a certified Form W-9 (or other form that requires the payee to certify under penalty of perjury).



The IRS will furnish a notice to you, and you are required to promptly furnish a copy of such notice, or an acceptable substitute, to the payee. For further

information, see Regulations section 31.3406(d)-5 and Rev. Proc. 93-37, 1993-2 C.B. 477.

If you receive two incorrect TIN notices within 3 years for the same account, follow the procedures in Regulations section 31.3406(d)-5(g) and Rev. Proc. 93-37.

3. Notice from the IRS that payee is subject to backup withholding due to notified payee underreporting ("C" notice). You may choose to withhold on any reportable payment made to the account(s) subject to backup withholding after receipt of the "C" notice, but you must withhold on any reportable payment made to the account more than 30 business days after you receive the "C" notice. The IRS will notify you in writing when to stop withholding, or the payee may furnish you a written certification from the IRS stating when the withholding should stop. In most cases, the stop date will be January 1 of the year following the year of the notice.



You must notify the payee when withholding under this procedure starts. For further information, see Regulations section 31.3406(c)-1(d).

4. Payee failure to certify that he or she is not subject to backup withholding. Withhold on reportable interest and dividends until the certification has been received.

For exceptions to these general timing rules, see section 3406(e).



For special rules on backup withholding on gambling winnings, see the separate Instructions for Forms W-2G

Reporting backup withholding. Report backup withholding on Form 945. Also, report backup withholding and the amount of the payment on Forms W-2G, 1099-B, DIV, G, INT, MISC, OID, or PATR even if the amount of the payment is less than the amount for which an information return is normally required.

Form 945. Report backup withholding, voluntary withholding on certain government payments, and withholding from gambling winnings, pensions, annuities, IRAs, military retirement, and Indian gaming profits on Form 945, Annual Return of Withheld Federal Income Tax. Generally, file Form 945 for 2006 by January 31, 2007. For more information, including the deposit requirements for Form 945, see the separate Instructions for Form 945 and Circular E, Employer's Tax Guide (Pub. 15).

Do not report on Form 945 any income tax withholding reported on the following forms:

- Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, including withholding on distributions to plan participants from nonqualified plans that must be reported on Form 941, Employer's Quarterly Federal Tax Return.
- Form 1042-S, Foreign Person's U.S. Source Income Subject to Withholding, must be reported on Form 1042, Annual Withholding Tax Return for U.S. Source Income of Foreign Persons.



Pub. 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities, has more information on Form 1042 reporting, partnership withholding on effectively

connected income, and dispositions of U.S. real property interests by a foreign person.

Additional information. For more information about backup withholding, see Pub. 1281, Backup Withholding for Missing and Incorrect Name/TIN(s) (Including Instructions for Reading Tape Cartridges).

## O. Penalties

The following penalties generally apply to the person required to file information returns. The penalties apply to paper filers as well as to electronic/magnetic media filers.



For information on the penalty for failure to file electronically or magnetically, see Penalty on page GEN-6.

## Failure To File Correct Information Returns by the Due Date (Section 6721)

If you fail to file a correct information return by the due date and you cannot show reasonable cause, you may be subject to a penalty. The penalty applies if you fail to file timely, you fail to include all information required to be shown on a return, or you include incorrect information on a return. The penalty also applies if you file on paper when you were required to file on magnetic media, you report an incorrect TIN or fail to report a TIN, or you fail to file paper forms that are machine readable.

The amount of the penalty is based on when you file the correct information return. The penalty is:

 \$15 per information return if you correctly file within 30 days (by March 30 if the due date is February 28); maximum penalty \$75,000 per year (\$25,000 for small businesses, defined on page GEN-13).

- \$30 per information return if you correctly file more than 30 days after the due date but by August 1; maximum penalty \$150,000 per year (\$50,000 for small businesses).
- \$50 per information return if you file after August 1 or you do not file required information returns; maximum penalty \$250,000 per year (\$100,000 for small businesses).



If you do not file corrections and you do not meet any of the exceptions to the penalty described on page GEN-6. EAUTION the penalty is \$50 per information return.

Small businesses—lower maximum penalties. You are a small business if your average annual gross receipts for the 3 most recent tax years (or for the period you were in existence, if shorter) ending before the calendar year in which the information returns were due are \$5 million or less.

**Exceptions to the penalty.** The following are exceptions to the failure to file penalty.

- 1. The penalty will not apply to any failure that you can show was due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect. In general, you must be able to show that your failure was due to an event beyond your control or due to significant mitigating factors. You must also be able to show that you acted in a responsible manner and took steps to avoid the failure.
- 2. An inconsequential error or omission is not considered a failure to include correct information. An inconsequential error or omission does not prevent or hinder the IRS from processing the return, from correlating the information required to be shown on the return with the information shown on the payee's tax return, or from otherwise putting the return to its intended use. Errors and omissions that are never inconsequential are those related to (a) a TIN, (b) a payee's surname, and (c) any money amount.
- 3. De minimus rule for corrections. Even though you cannot show reasonable cause, the penalty for failure to file correct information returns will not apply to a certain number of returns
  - a. Filed those information returns,
- b. Either failed to include all the information required on a return or included incorrect information, and
  - c. Filed corrections by August 1.

If you meet all the conditions in a, b, and c above, the penalty for filing incorrect returns (but not for filing late) will not apply to the greater of 10 information returns or ½ of 1% of the total number of information returns you are required to file for the calendar year.

Intentional disregard of filing requirements. If any failure to file a correct information return is due to intentional disregard of the filing or correct information requirements, the penalty is at least \$100 per information return with no maximum penalty.

## **Failure To Furnish Correct Payee Statements** (Section 6722)

If you fail to provide correct payee statements and you cannot show reasonable cause, you may be subject to a penalty. The penalty applies if you fail to provide the statement by January 31 (see part M on page GEN-9), you fail to include all information required to be shown on the statement, or you include incorrect information on the statement. "Payee statement" has the same meaning as "statement to recipient" as used in part M on page GEN-9.

The penalty is \$50 per statement, no matter when the correct statement is furnished, with a maximum of \$100,000 per year. The penalty is not reduced for furnishing a correct statement by August 1.

**Exception.** An inconsequential error or omission is not considered a failure to include correct information. An inconsequential error or omission cannot reasonably be expected to prevent or hinder the payee from timely receiving correct information and reporting it on his or her income tax return or from otherwise putting the statement to its intended use. Errors and omissions that are never inconsequential are those relating to (a) a dollar amount, (b) a significant item in a payee's address, (c) the appropriate form for the information

provided (that is, whether the form is an acceptable substitute for the official IRS form), and (d) whether the statement was furnished in person or by "statement mailing," when required.

Intentional disregard of payee statement requirements. If any failure to provide a correct payee statement is due to intentional disregard of the requirements to furnish a correct payee statement, the penalty is at least \$100 per payee statement with no maximum penalty.

## Forms 1099-Q, 1099-SA, 5498, 5498-ESA, and 5498-SA (Section 6693)

The penalties under sections 6721 and 6722 do not apply to:

Forms	Filed Under Code Section
1099-SA and 5498-SA	220(h) and 223(h)
5498	408(i) and 408(l)
5498-ESA	530(h)
1099-Q	529(d) and 530(h)

The penalty for failure to timely file Forms 1099-SA, 5498-SA, 5498, 5498-ESA, or 1099-Q is \$50 per return with no maximum, unless the failure is due to reasonable cause. See section 6693.

## Fraudulent Acknowledgments With Respect to Donations of Motor Vehicles, Boats, and Airplanes (Section 6720)

If you are required under section 170(f)(12)(A) to furnish a contemporaneous written acknowledgment to a donor and you knowingly furnish a false or fraudulent Form 1098-C, or knowingly fail to furnish a Form 1098-C within the applicable 30-day period, you may be subject to a penalty. See the 2006 Instructions for Form 1098-C for more detailed information.

## Civil Damages for Fraudulent Filing of Information Returns (Section 7434)

If you willfully file a fraudulent information return for payments you claim you made to another person, that person may be able to sue you for damages. You may have to pay \$5,000 or more.

## P. Payments to Corporations and **Partnerships**

Generally, payments to corporations are not reportable. However, you must report payments to corporations for the

- Medical and health care payments (Form 1099-MISC),
- Withheld federal income tax or foreign tax,
- Barter exchange transactions (Form 1099-B),
- Substitute payments in lieu of dividends and tax-exempt interest (Form 1099-MISC)
- Interest or original issue discount paid or accrued to a regular interest holder of a REMIC (Form 1099-INT or 1099-OID),
- Acquisitions or abandonments of secured property (Form
- Cancellation of debt (Form 1099-C),
- Payments of attorneys' fees and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (Form 1099-MISC),
- Fish purchases for cash (Form 1099-MISC),
- The credit for clean renewable energy bonds and the credit for Gulf bonds treated as interest and reported on Form 1099-INT, and
- Federal executive agency payments for services (Form 1099-MISC). For additional reporting requirements, see Rev. Rul. 2003-66 that is on page 1115 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2003-26 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb03-26.pdf.

Reporting generally is required for all payments to partnerships. For example, payments of \$600 or more made in the course of your trade or business to an architectural firm that is a partnership are reportable on Form 1099-MISC. However, see Regulations section 1.6049-4(c)(1)(ii)(A).

## Q. Earnings on any IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA, or HSA

Generally, income earned in any IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA, or HSA, such as interest or dividends, is not reported on Forms 1099. However, distributions must be reported on Form 1099-R, 1099-Q, or 1099-SA.

## R. Certain Grantor Trusts

Certain grantor trusts may choose to file Forms 1099 rather than a separate statement attached to Form 1041, U.S. Income Tax Return for Estates and Trusts. If you have filed Form 1041 for a grantor trust in the past and you want to choose the Form 1099 filing method for 2006, you must have filed a final Form 1041 for 2005. To change reporting method, see Regulations section 1.671-4(g) and the Instructions for Form 1041 and Schedules A, B, D, G, I, J, and K-1.

## S. Special Rules for Reporting Payments **Made Through Foreign Intermediaries** and Foreign Flow-Through Entities on Form 1099

If you are the payer and have received a Form W-8IMY, Certificate of Foreign Intermediary, Foreign Flow-Through Entity, or Certain U.S. Branches for United States Tax Withholding, from a foreign intermediary or flow-through entity, follow the instructions below for completing Form 1099. Definitions of the terms used in these instructions are on page GEN-15.

## **Presumption Rules**

For additional information including details on the presumption rules, see the Instructions for the Requester of Forms W-8BEN, W-8ECI, W-8EXP, and W-8IMY and Pub. 515. To order, see How To Get Forms and Publications on page GEN-16.

If you are the payer and do not have a Form W-9, appropriate Form W-8, or other valid documentation, or you cannot allocate a payment to a specific payee, prior to payment, you are required to use certain presumption rules to determine the following:

- The status of the payee as a U.S. or foreign person and
- The classification of the payee as an individual, trust, estate, corporation, or partnership.

See Regulations sections 1.1441-1(b)(3), 1.1441-5(d) and (e), 1.6045-1(g)(3)(ii), and 1.6049-5(d).

Under these presumption rules, if you must presume that the payee is a U.S. nonexempt recipient subject to backup withholding, you must report the payment on a Form 1099. However, if before filing Form 1099 with the IRS the recipient is documented as foreign, then report the payment on a Form 1042-S.

On the other hand, if you must presume that the payee is a foreign recipient and prior to filing Form 1042-S with the IRS you discover that the payee is a U.S. nonexempt recipient based on documentation, then report all payments made to that payee during the calendar year on a Form 1099.

If you use the 90-day grace period rule to presume a payee is foreign, you must file a Form 1042-S to report all payments subject to withholding during the grace period. If you later discover that the payee is a U.S. nonexempt recipient subject to backup withholding, you must file a Form 1099 for all payments made to that payee after the discovery of the payee's U.S. status.

## Rules for Payments Made to U.S. Nonexempt Recipients Through a QI, NQI, or FTE

If you are the payer making a payment through a QI, NQI, or FTE for a U.S. nonexempt recipient on whose behalf the QI, NQI, or FTE is acting, use the following rules to complete Form 1099.

**Known recipient.** If you know that a payee is a U.S. nonexempt recipient and have the payee's name, address, and TIN (if a TIN has been provided), you must complete the Form 1099 with that information. Also, on the second name line below the recipient's name enter "IMY" followed by the name of the QI, NQI, or FTE.

For payments made to multiple recipients: (a) enter the name of the recipient whose status you relied on to determine the applicable rate of withholding and (b) on the second name line, enter "IMY" followed by the name of the QI, NQI, or FTE. However, if the QI has assumed primary Form 1099 reporting or backup withholding responsibility, you are not required to issue the Form 1099 or to backup withhold. See Qualified intermediary on page GEN-15.

Unknown recipient. If you cannot reliably associate a payment with valid documentation and are required to presume a payee is a U.S. nonexempt recipient:

- 1. File a Form 1099 and enter "unknown recipient" on the first name line.
- 2. On the second name line, enter "IMY" followed by the name of the QI, NQI, or FTE.
- 3. Enter the EIN of the QI, NQI, or FTE, if applicable, in the recipient's identification number box.
- 4. Furnish a copy of the Form 1099 with "unknown recipient" to the QI, NQI, or FTE who is acting on the recipient's behalf.



A payer that is required to report payments made to a U.S. nonexempt recipient account holder but does not CAUTION receive the necessary allocation information cannot

report those payments on a pro rata basis. Report unallocated payments using the presumption rules above.

## Rules for Non-U.S. Payers

Non-U.S. payers (foreign persons that are not U.S. payers) generally have the same reporting obligations as U.S. payers. A U.S. payer is anyone who is:

- A U.S. person,
- Any U.S. governmental agency,
- A controlled foreign corporation (CFC),
- A foreign partnership that has one or more U.S. partners who, in the aggregate hold more than 50 percent of the gross income derived from the conduct of a U.S. trade or business,
- A foreign person who owns 50 percent or more of the gross income that is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business, or
- A U.S. branch of a foreign bank or a foreign insurance company.

For more information, see Regulations section 1.6049-5(c)(5).

Exceptions. The following payments are not subject to reporting by a non-U.S. payer:

- 1. A foreign source reportable payment paid outside the U.S. For example, see Regulations section 1.6049-5(b)(6).
- 2. Gross proceeds from a sale effected outside the U.S., see Regulations section 1.6045-1(a).
- 3. An NQI or QI that provides another payer all the information sufficient for that payer to complete Form 1099 reporting. For example, see Regulations section 1.6049-5(b)(14). However, if an NQI or QI does not provide sufficient information for another payer to report a payment on Form 1099, the intermediary must report the payment.

## **Rules for Reporting Payments Initially Reported** on Form 1042-S

If an NQI or QI receives a Form 1042-S made out to an "unknown recipient" and, the NQI or QI has actual knowledge

that the payee of the income is a U.S. nonexempt recipient, it must file a Form 1099 even if the payment has been subject to withholding by another payer. The NQI or QI reports the amount withheld by the other payer on Form 1099 as federal income tax withheld.

## **Definitions**

Foreign intermediary. A foreign intermediary is any person who is not a U.S. person and acts as a custodian, broker, nominee, or otherwise as an agent for another person, regardless of whether that other person is the beneficial owner of the amount paid, a flow-through entity, or another intermediary. The intermediary can be a qualified intermediary or a nonqualified intermediary.

Qualified intermediary (QI). A qualified intermediary is a person that is a party to a withholding agreement with the IRS

- A foreign financial institution or a foreign clearing organization (other than a U.S. branch or U.S. office of the institution or organization),
- A foreign branch or office of a U.S. financial institution or a foreign branch or office of a U.S. clearing organization,
- A foreign corporation for purposes of presenting claims of benefits under an income tax treaty on behalf of its shareholders, or
- Any other person the IRS accepts as a qualified intermediary and who enters into a withholding agreement with the IRS.

For details on QI agreements, see:

- Rev. Proc. 2000-12 that is on page 387 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2000-4 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb00-4.pdf;
- Modified by Rev. Proc. 2003-64, Section 4A (Appendix 3), that is on page 306 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2003-32 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb03-32.pdf;
- Further modified by Rev. Proc. 2004-21 that is on page 702 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2004-14 at www.irs.gov/pub/ irs-irbs/irb04-14.pdf; and
- Also see Rev. Proc. 2005-77 which amends the final withholding partnership and withholding foreign trust agreements by expanding the availability of simplified documentation, reporting, and withholding procedures, further modifying Rev. Proc. 2003-64. Rev. Proc. 2005-77 is available on page 1176 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2005-51at www.irs. gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb05-51.pdf.



Generally, a branch of a financial institution may not operate as a QI after December 31, 2006, in a country AUTION that does not have approved know-your-customer (KYC)

rules. Branches of financial institutions that operate in non-KYC approved jurisdictions will be required to act as non-qualified intermediaries after December 31, 2006, or after December 31, 2007, if an extension to operate as a QI was approved by the IRS. For additional information, see Notice 2006-35 which is on page 708 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2006-14 at www.irs.gov/ pub/irs-irbs/irb06-14.pdf.

Nonqualified intermediary (NQI). A nonqualified intermediary is any intermediary that is not a U.S. person and that is not a qualified intermediary.

Foreign flow-through entity (FTE). A flow-through entity is a foreign partnership (other than a withholding foreign partnership), a foreign simple trust or foreign grantor trust (other than a withholding foreign trust), or, for payments for which a reduced rate of withholding is claimed under an income tax treaty, any entity to the extent the entity is considered to be fiscally transparent under section 894 with respect to the payment by an interest holder's jurisdiction.

Withholding foreign partnership or withholding foreign trust. A withholding foreign partnership or withholding foreign trust is a foreign partnership or a foreign simple or grantor trust that has entered into a withholding agreement with the IRS in which it agrees to assume primary withholding responsibility for all payments that are made to it for its partners, beneficiaries, or owners. See Rev. Proc. 2003-64 as amended by Rev. Proc. 2004-21, for procedures for entering into a withholding foreign partnership or trust agreement.

Nonwithholding foreign partnership, simple trust, or grantor trust. A nonwithholding foreign partnership is any foreign partnership other than a withholding foreign partnership. A nonwithholding foreign simple trust is any foreign simple trust that is not a withholding foreign trust. A nonwithholding foreign grantor trust is any foreign grantor trust that is not a withholding foreign trust.

Fiscally transparent entity. An entity is treated as fiscally transparent with respect to an item of income to the extent that the interest holders in the entity must, on a current basis, take into account separately their shares of an item of income paid to the entity, whether or not distributed, and must determine the character of the items of income as if they were realized directly from the sources from which they were realized by the entity. For example, partnerships, common trust funds, and simple trusts or grantor trusts are generally considered to be fiscally transparent with respect to items of income received by them.

## T. Need Help?

## Information Reporting Customer Service Site

If you have questions about reporting on Forms 1096, 1098, 1099, 5498, W-2, W-2G, and W-3, you may call a toll-free number, 1-866-455-7438. You may still use the original telephone number, 304-263-8700 (not toll free). For TTY/TDD equipment, call 304-267-3367 (not toll free). The call site can also be reached by email at mccirp@irs.gov. The hours of operation for the call site are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Eastern time.

Other tax-related matters. For other tax information related to business returns or accounts, call 1-800-829-4933.

If you have access to TTY/TDD equipment, call 1-800-829-4059 to ask tax account questions or to order forms and publications.

## Internal Revenue Bulletin

The Internal Revenue Bulletin (IRB), published weekly, contains newly issued regulations, notices, announcements, legislation, court decisions, and other items of general interest. You may find this publication useful to keep you up to date with current developments. See How To Get Forms and Publications on page GEN-16.

## **Unresolved Tax Issues**

If you have attempted to deal with an IRS problem unsuccessfully, you should contact the Taxpayer Advocate. The Taxpayer Advocate independently represents your interests and concerns within the IRS by protecting your rights and resolving problems that have not been fixed through normal channels.

While Taxpayer Advocates cannot change the tax law or make a technical decision, they can clear up problems that resulted from previous contacts and ensure that your case is given a complete and impartial review.

Your assigned personal advocate will listen to your point of view and will work with you to address your concerns. You can expect the advocate to provide:

- A "fresh look" at a new or on-going problem.
- Timely acknowledgment.
- The name and phone number of the individual assigned to your case.
- Updates on progress.
- Timeframes for action.
- Speedy resolution.
- Courteous service.

When contacting the Taxpayer Advocate, you should provide the following information:

- Your name, address, and employer identification number (EIN).
- The name and telephone number of an authorized contact person and the hours he or she can be reached.
- The type of tax return and year(s).
- A detailed description of the problem.

- Previous attempts to solve the problem and the office that had been contacted.
- A description of the hardship you are facing and supporting documentation (if applicable).

You may contact a Taxpayer Advocate by calling a toll-free number, 1-877-777-4778. Persons who have access to TTY/ TDD equipment may call 1-800-829-4059 and ask for Taxpayer Advocate assistance. If you prefer, you may call, write, or fax the Taxpayer Advocate office for your area. See Pub. 1546, The Taxpayer Advocate Service – How to Get Help With Unresolved Tax Problems, for a list of addresses and fax numbers. You may visit the website at www.irs.gov/advocate.

## **How To Get Forms and Publications**



Because the IRS processes paper forms by machine (optical character recognition equipment), you cannot CAUTION file with the IRS Form 1096 or Copy A of Forms 1098,

1099, or 5498 that you print from the IRS website or the CD-ROM.

Personal computer. You can access the IRS website 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, at www.irs.gov to:

- Access commercial tax preparation and e-file services.
- Download forms, instructions, and publications.
- Order IRS products online.
- Research your tax question online.
- Search publications online by topic or keyword.

Sign up to receive local and national tax news by email.

IRS Tax Products CD. You can order Pub. 1796, IRS Federal Tax Products CD, and obtain:

- Current-year forms, instructions, publications
- Prior-year forms, instructions and publications
- Bonus: Historical Tax Products DVD Ships with the final release
- Tax Map: An electronic research tool and finding aid
- Tax Law frequently asked questions (FAQs)
- Tax Topics from the IRS telephone response system
- Fill-in, print and save features for most tax forms
- Internal Revenue Bulletins
- Toll-free and email technical support
- The CD is released twice during the year
  - The first release will ship the beginning of January 2007
  - The final release will ship the beginning of March 2007

Purchase the CD from National Technical Information Service at www.irs.gov/cdorders for \$35 (no handling fee) or call **1-877-CDFORMS** (1-877-233-6767) toll- free to buy the CD for \$35 (plus a \$5 handling fee). Price is subject to change.

By phone and in person. You can order forms and publications weekdays from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. local time, by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676). You can pick up some of the most requested forms and publications at many IRS offices, post offices, and libraries.

**Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice.** We ask for the information on these forms to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. You are required to give us the information. We need it to figure and collect the right amount of tax.

Sections 170(f)(12),199, 220(h), 223, 408, 408A, 529, 530, 6041, 6041A, 6042, 6043, 6044, 6045, 6047, 6049, 6050A, 6050B, 6050D, 6050E, 6050H, 6050J, 6050N, 6050P, 6050Q, 6050R, 6050S, 6050T, and their regulations require you to file an information return with the IRS and furnish a statement to recipients. Section 6109 and its regulations require you to provide your taxpayer identification number on what you file.

Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation, and to cities, states, and the District of Columbia for use in administering their tax laws. We may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce federal nontax criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. If you fail to provide this information in a timely manner, you may be subject to penalties.

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. Generally, tax returns and return information are confidential, as required by section 6103.

The time needed to complete and file the following forms will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average times are:

1096	13 minutes
1098	7 minutes
1098-C	15 minutes
1098-E	7 minutes
1098-T	13 minutes
1099-A	9 minutes
1099-B	20 minutes
1099-C	10 minutes
1099-CAP	11 minutes
1099-DIV	18 minutes
1099-G	11 minutes
1099-H	18 minutes
1099-INT	13 minutes
1099-LTC	13 minutes
1099-MISC	16 minutes
1099-OID	12 minutes
1099-PATR	15 minutes
1099-Q	11 minutes
1099-R	18 minutes
1099-S	8 minutes
1099-SA	8 minutes
5498	12 minutes
5498-ESA	7 minutes
5498-SA	10 minutes
W-2G	18 minutes
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If you have comments concerning the accuracy of these time estimates or suggestions for making these forms simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. You can write to the Internal Revenue Service, Tax Products Coordinating Committee, SE:W:CAR:MP:T:T:SP, 1111 Constitution Ave. NW, IR-6406, Washington, DC 20224. Do not send these forms to this address. Instead, see *Where To File* on page GEN-4.

## Guide to Information Returns (If any date shown falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the due date is the next business day.)

				Du	e Date
Form	Title	What to Report	Amounts To Report	To IRS	To Recipient (unless indicated otherwise)
1042-S	Foreign Person's U.S. Source Income Subject to Withholding	Payments subject to withholding under Chapter 3 of the Code, including interest, dividends, royalties, pensions and annuities, gambling winnings, compensation for personal services, and distributions by publicly traded partnerships of income effectively connected with the conduct of a U.S. trade or business.	All amounts, except \$10 or more for interest on U.S. deposits paid to Canadian nonresident aliens	March 15	March 15
1098	Mortgage Interest Statement	Mortgage interest (including points) you received in the course of your trade or business from individuals and reimbursements of overpaid interest.	\$600 or more	February 28*	(To Payer/ Borrower) January 31
1098-C	Contributions of Motor Vehicles, Boats, and Airplanes	Information regarding a donated motor vehicle, boat, or airplane.	Gross proceeds of more than \$500	February 28*	30 days from date of sale or contribution
1098-E	Student Loan Interest Statement	Student loan interest received in the course of your trade or business.	\$600 or more	February 28*	January 31
1098-T	Tuition Statement	Qualified tuition and related expenses, reimbursements or refunds, and scholarships or grants (optional).	See instructions	February 28*	January 31
1099-A	Acquisition or Abandonment of Secured Property	Information about the acquisition or abandonment of property that is security for a debt for which you are the lender.	All amounts	February 28*	(To Borrower) January 31
1099-B	Proceeds From Broker and Barter Exchange Transactions	Sales or redemptions of securities, futures transactions, commodities, and barter exchange transactions.	All amounts	February 28*	January 31
1099-C	Cancellation of Debt	Cancellation of a debt owed to a financial institution, the Federal Government, a credit union, RTC, FDIC, NCUA, a military department, the U.S. Postal Service, the Postal Rate Commission, or any organization having a significant trade or business of lending money.	\$600 or more	February 28*	January 31
1099-CAP	Changes in Corporate Control and Capital Structure			February 28*	(To Shareholders) January 31
1099-DIV	Dividends and Distributions	Distributions, such as dividends, capital gain distributions, or nontaxable distributions, that were paid on stock and liquidation distributions.	\$10 or more, except \$600 or more for liquidations	February 28*	January 31
1099-G	Certain Government Payments	Unemployment compensation, state and local income tax refunds, agricultural payments, and taxable grants.	\$10 or more for refunds and unemployment	February 28*	January 31
1099-H	Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC) Advance Payments	Health insurance premiums paid on behalf of certain individuals.	All amounts	February 28*	January 31
1099-INT	Interest Income	Interest income.	\$10 or more (\$600 or more in some cases)	February 28*	January 31
1099-LTC	Long-Term Care and Accelerated Death Benefits	Payments under a long-term care insurance contract and accelerated death benefits paid under a life insurance contract or by a viatical settlement provider.	All amounts	February 28*	January 31
1099-MISC	Miscellaneous Income	Rent or royalty payments; prizes and awards that are not for services, such as winnings on TV or radio shows.	\$600 or more, except \$10 or more for royalties		
		Payments to crew members by owners or operators of fishing boats including payments of proceeds from sale of catch.	All amounts		
		Payments to a physician, physicians' corporation, or other supplier of health and medical services. Issued mainly by medical assistance programs or health and accident insurance plans.	\$600 or more	February 28*	January 31
		Payments for services performed for a trade or business by people not treated as its employees. Examples: fees to subcontractors or directors, and golden parachute payments.	\$600 or more		
		Fish purchases paid in cash for resale.	\$600 or more		
		Substitute dividends and tax-exempt interest payments reportable by brokers.	\$10 or more		
		Crop insurance proceeds.	\$600 or more		
		Gross proceeds paid to attorneys.	All amounts		
1099-OID	Original Issue Discount	Original issue discount.	\$10 or more	February 28*	January 31
1099-PATR	Taxable Distributions Received From Cooperatives	Distributions from cooperatives to their patrons.	\$10 or more	February 28*	January 31

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$ The due date is March 31 if filed electronically.

## **Guide to Information Returns** (Continued)

				Due	e Date
Form	Title	What to Report	Amounts To Report	To IRS	To Recipient (unless indicated otherwise)
1099-Q	Payments From Qualified Education Programs (Under Sections 529 and 530)	Earnings from a qualified tuition program and Coverdell ESAs.	All amounts	February 28*	January 31
1099-R	Distributions From Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRAs, Insurance Contracts, etc.	Distributions from retirement or profit-sharing plans, any IRA, insurance contracts, and IRA recharacterizations.	\$10 or more	February 28*	January 31
1099-S	Proceeds From Real Estate Transactions	Gross proceeds from the sale or exchange of real estate.	Generally, \$600 or more	February 28*	January 31
1099-SA	Distributions From an HSA, Archer MSA, or Medicare Advantage MSA	Distributions from an HSA, Archer MSA, or Medicare Advantage MSA.	All amounts	February 28*	January 31
5471	Information Return of U.S. Person With Respect To Certain Foreign Corporations	U.S. persons who are officers, directors, or shareholders in certain foreign corporations report information required by sections 6035, 6038, and 6046, and to compute income from controlled foreign corporations under sections 951 – 964.	See form instructions	Due date of income tax return	None
5472	Information Return of a 25% Foreign-Owned U.S. Corporation or a Foreign Corporation Engaged in a U.S. Trade or Business	Transactions between a 25% foreign-owned domestic corporation or a foreign corporation engaged in a trade or business in the United States and a related party as required by sections 6038A and 6038C.	See form instructions	Due date of income tax return	None
5498	IRA Contribution Information	Contributions (including rollover contributions) to any individual retirement arrangement (IRA) including a SEP, SIMPLE, and Roth IRA; Roth conversions; IRA recharacterizations; and the fair market value (FMV) of the account.	All amounts	May 31	(To Participant) For FMV/RMD Jan 31; For contributions, May 31
5498-ESA	Coverdell ESA Contribution Information	Contributions (including rollover contributions) to a Coverdell ESA.	All amounts	May 31	April 31
5498-SA	HSA, Archer MSA, or Medicare Advantage MSA Information	Contributions to an HSA, Archer MSA and the fair market value of an HSA, Archer MSA, or Medicare Advantage MSA.	All amounts	May 31	(To Participant) May
8027	Employer's Annual Information Return of Tip Income and Allocated Tips	Receipts from large food or beverage operations, tips reported by employees, and allocated tips.	See separate instructions	Last day of February *	Allocated tips are shown on Form W-2 due January 31
8300 (IRS/ FinCen form)	Report of Cash Payments Over \$10,000 Received in a Trade or Business	Payments in cash (including certain monetary instruments) or foreign currency received in one transaction, or two or more related transactions, in the course of a trade or business. Does not apply to banks and financial institutions filing Form 4789, and casinos that are required to report such transactions or Form 8362, Currency Transaction Report by Casinos, or, generally, to transactions outside the United States.	Over \$10,000	15 days after date of transaction	(To Payer) January 31
8308	Report of a Sale or Exchange of Certain Partnership Interests	Sale or exchange of a partnership interest involving unrealized receivables or inventory items.	(Transaction only)	Generally, attach to Form 1065 or 1065-B	(To Transferor and Transferee) January 31
W-2G	Certain Gambling Winnings	Gambling winnings from horse racing, dog racing, jai alai, lotteries, keno, bingo, slot machines, sweepstakes, wagering pools, etc.	Generally, \$600 or more; \$1,200 or more from bingo or slot machines; \$1,500 or more from keno	February 28*	January 31
Form 104 (FinCen)	Currency Transaction Report	Each deposit, withdrawal, exchange of currency, or other payment or transfer by, through, or to financial institutions (other than casinos).	Over \$10,000	15 days after date of transaction	Not required
926	Return by a U.S. Transferor of Property to a Foreign Corporation	Transfers of property to a foreign corporation and to report information under section 6038B.	See form instructions	Attach to tax return	None
W-2	Wage and Tax	Wages, tips, other compensation; social security, Medicare, withheld		To SSA	To Recipient
	Statement	income taxes; and advance earned income credit (EIC) payments. Include bonuses, vacation allowances, severance pay, certain moving expense payments, some kinds of travel allowances, and third-party payments of sick pay.	See separate instructions	Last day of February*	January 31
TD F 90-22.1		Financial interest in or signature or other authority over a foreign bank account, securities account, or other financial account.	Over \$10,000	To Treasury Dept.	To Recipient
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<sup>\*</sup>The due date is March 31 if filed electronically.

## **Types of Payments**

Below is an alphabetic list of some payments and the forms to file and report them. However, it is not a complete list of all payments, and the absence of a payment from the list does not indicate that the payment is not reportable. For instructions on a specific type of payment, see the separate instructions in the form(s) listed.

Type of Payment	Report on Form	Type of Payment	Report on Form
Abandonment	1099-A	Income attributable to domestic production	
Accelerated death benefits	1099-LTC	activities, deduction for	1099-PATR
Acquisition of control	1099-CAP	Income tax refunds, state and local	1099-G
Advance earned income credit	W-2	Indian gaming profits paid to tribal members	1099-MISC
Advance health insurance payments	1099-H	Interest income	1099-INT
Agriculture payments	1099-G	Tax-exempt	1099-INT
Allocated tips	W-2	Interest, mortgage	1098
Alternate TAA payments	1099-G	IRA contributions	5498
Annuities	1099-R	IRA distributions	1099-R
Archer MSAs:		Life insurance contract distributions	1099-R, 1099-LTC
Contributions	5498-SA	Liquidation, distributions in	1099-DIV
Distributions	1099-SA	Loans, distribution from pension plan	1099-R
Attorney, fees and gross proceeds	1099-MISC	Long-term care benefits	1099-LTC
Auto reimbursements, employee	W-2	Medicare Advantage MSAs:	
Auto reimbursements, nonemployee	1099-MISC	Contributions	5498-SA
Awards, employee	W-2	Distributions	1099-SA
Awards, nonemployee	1099-MISC	Medical services	1099-MISC
Barter exchange income	1099-B	Mileage, employee	W-2
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Bonuses, nonemployee	1099-MISC 1099-B	Military retirement	1099-R 1098
Broker transactions	1099-Б 1099-С	Mortgage interest	W-2
Capital gain distributions	1099-C 1099-DIV	Moving expense	1099-MISC
Car expense, employee	W-2	Nonqualified deferred compensation distribution:	1033-101130
Car expense, nonemployee	1099-MISC	Beneficiary	1099-R
Changes in capital structure	1099-CAP	Employee	W-2
Charitable gift annuities	1099-R	Nonemployee	1099-MISC
Commissions, employee	W-2	Original issue discount (OID)	1099-OID
Commissions, nonemployee	1099-MISC	Patronage dividends	1099-PATR
Commodities transactions	1099-B	Pensions	1099-R
Compensation, employee	W-2	Points	1098
Compensation, nonemployee	1099-MISC	Prizes, employee	W-2
Contributions of motor vehicles, boats, and		Prizes, nonemployee	1099-MISC
airplanes	1098-C	Profit-sharing plan	1099-R
Cost of current life insurance protection	1099-R	Punitive damages	1099-MISC
Coverdell ESA contributions	5498-ESA	Qualified plan distributions	1099-R
Coverdell ESA distributions	1099-Q	Qualified tuition program payments	1099-Q
Crop insurance proceeds	1099-MISC	Real estate transactions	1099-S
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Death benefits	1099-R	Refund, state and local tax	1099-G
Accelerated	1099-LTC 1099-C	Rents	1099-MISC 1099-R
Dependent care payments	W-2	Roth conversion IRA contributions	5498
Direct rollovers	1099-Q, 1099-R,	Roth conversion IRA distributions	1099-R
Direct followers	5498	Roth IRA contributions	5498
Direct sales of consumer products for resale	1099-MISC	Roth IRA distributions	1099-R
Directors' fees	1099-MISC	Royalties	1099-MISC
Discharge of indebtedness	1099-C	Timber, pay-as-cut contract	1099-S
Dividends	1099-DIV	Sales:	
Education loan interest	1098-E	Real estate	1099-S
Employee business expense reimbursement	W-2	Securities	1099-B
Employee compensation	W-2	Section 1035 exchange	1099-R
Excess deferrals, excess contributions,		SEP contributions	W-2, 5498
_ distributions of	1099-R	SEP distributions	1099-R
Fees, employee	W-2	Severance pay	W-2
Fees, nonemployee	1099-MISC	Sick pay	W-2
Fishing boat crew members proceeds	1099-MISC	SIMPLE contributions	W-2, 5498
Fish purchases for cash	1099-MISC 1099-A	SIMPLE distributions	1099-R
Foreclosures	1042-S	Student loan interest	1098-E
401(k) contributions	W-2	tax-exempt interest	1099-MISC
404(k) dividend	1099-DIV	Supplemental unemployment	W-2
Gambling winning	W-2G	Tax refunds, state and local	1099-G
Golden parachute, employee	W-2	Tips	W-2
Golden parachute, nonemployee	1099-MISC	Tuition	1098-T
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