# Indiana Department of Revenue

#### **General Update**

More than 140,000 phone calls handled during the tax season

114,000 for the same time period last year

 hold times reduced to *less than three minutes* on average this year

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>17,000 calls in April alone

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an average of 1,100 calls a day

 compared to about 500 per day in our off-season

Issued more than 1.6 million refunds in 2010

average refund this year was \$324

average refund in 2009 was \$279

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 direct deposit from returns filed electronically were issued in an *average* of three days

Electronic filing up – again

increase for the fourth year in a row

 overall, electronic filing in Indiana has increased by *nearly 20 percent* during that same time period

Electronic filing up – again

 I-File usage *increased 22 percent* over last year

as of April 16, *nearly 86 percent* of all state filings were electronic
I-File or the federal e-File program

Electronic filing up – again

 costs state only about \$150,000 to process more than 2 million electronic returns

 costs state approximately \$2.3 million to process about 1 million paper returns

County tax rates can change throughout the year

- adopted before October 1, takes effect October 1
- adopted after September 30 and before October 16 of the current year, *takes effect November 1*
- adopted after October 15 and before November 1, takes effect December 1

2008 and 2009 loss year NOLs for individuals and corporations

 a federal NOL carryback election of more than 2 years, but less than 6 years, is limited to a 2-year carryback period for Indiana. (IC 6-3-2-2.5;2.6)

(retroactive to November 6, 2009)

New employer tax credit

 for corporations or pass-throughs if they relocate in Indiana and employ at least ten new qualified employees

 credit is 10 percent of the wages paid for two years

Information Bulletin #106

School Scholarship Credit

 available to individuals/corporations making donations to scholarship granting organizations

Department of Education certifies credit

www.doe.in.gov/schoolscholarships



The Department will now accept PNRs and RNRs filed electronically through fed/state

 software vendor must opt in and complete certification process

 previous delay caused by IRS finalizing technical specifications

Fed/State efile for corporate returns still a few years out

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# **Commas in Dollar Amounts**

Do not use a comma in the dollar amounts on all individual, corporate and trust tax forms

good example: 2400

bad example: 2,400

# **Negative Entries**

Use a minus sign instead of brackets on all individual, corporate and trust tax forms

good example: -2400

bad example: (2400)

Foreign Country in Address Area Use 2 alpha-character country codes

good example: AS for Australiabad example: AUS for Australia

www.in.gov/dor/4432.htm

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# **New Suffix Box**

Your first name	Initial	Last name	Suffix
If filing a joint return, spouse's first name	Initial	Last name	Suffix

•JR •SR •III

#### •No Titles: Minor, Ph.D., M.D., DECD

### **Direct Deposit**

New line required to be added to the direct deposit election

"Place an "X" in the box if refund will go to an account outside the United States"

 If yes, cannot direct deposit; paper refund will be issued

# Zip Code Area

Now says Zip/Postal Code

 if a foreign country, use that country's postal code



IN-ESC: Energy Star Heating and Cooling Equipment Tax Credit

**IN-SSC:** School Scholarship Credit

forms: www.in.gov/dor/3489.htm

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### **Due Dates**

- April 18, 2011 IT40, IT40 EZ, IT 40 PNR, IT40 RNR, IT40 ES/ES 40, IT9
- June 15, 2011 IT40 ES/ES40 (2nd quarter)
- June 20, 2011 Filing due date for IT40, IT40 EZ, IT 40 PNR, IT40 RNR if filing under IT9 extension
- June 30, 2011 Form SC40
- September 15, 2011 IT40 ES/ES40 (3rd quarter)
- November 18, 2011State filing due date for IT40, IT40 EZ, IT 40 PNR, IT40<br/>RNR, SC40 if filing under federal extension (Form 4868)January 17, 2012IT40 ES/ES40 (4th quarter)

# **Offset Credits Application Update**

The order of application of offset credits (nonrefundable) as outlined in IC 6-3.1-1-2 added to 2010 tax booklets

- first, use credits not eligible for carryover (e.g. college credit)
- then, use credits with limited carryover years (e.g. capital investment credit [10 year carryover])
- then, use credits with no limit on carryover years (e.g. ethanol production credit)

### **New Add-Backs**

#### New Add-Backs

 a discharge of debt of a principal residence must be added back

 "Other" add-back, which is limited to federal/state conformity issues. May only be a positive amount New Reporting Method for certain add-backs New Add-Back reporting method

- three-digit code numbers have been assigned to certain add-backs
- report these add-backs in the same manner as is done with certain deductions and offset credits

8. Other Add-Backs: See instructions beginning on page XX		
a. Enter add-back name	code no.	8a .00
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Unemployment Compensation Uncertain of status of \$2,400 federal exemption when going to print

Complete add-back section even if federal exemption is not extended – necessary so unemployment compensation deduction can be properly calculated

### **Tips and Tricks**

Use the IT-40 X for any amended return • processed more quickly

Don't white out or make any handwritten changes on trust tax returns • causes errors when processing

Use of "onion skin" W-2s can cause delays in refund and result in correspondence with the client

### **Tips and Tricks**

Please ensure all necessary and required schedules are included when submitting paper returns

 any missing schedules will delay processing

Do not submit a paper return if you have already e-filed or I-Filed

**Composite Filing / Nonres Withholding** 

New FAQs have posted to the internet and can be found at the link posted below

http://www.in.gov/dor/4006.htm#composite

### New Payment Plan Tool Online

www.intaxpay.in.gov pay in full or setup payment plan

20 percent down
must owe > \$100
need case ID found on bill



- fax to (317) 615-2605
- e-mail to poa1forms@dor.in.gov
- or mail to

Indiana Department of Revenue P.O. Box 7230 Indianapolis, IN 46207-7230

# I-File fast, friendly and free

- Prepare and file Indiana individual income tax returns using the Internet
- Available to taxpayers and tax professionals
- Uses a question/answer format
- www.ifile.in.gov

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  - www.in.gov/dor/3341.htm
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