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**Exclusion of Interest From Series EE and I  
U.S. Savings Bonds Issued After 1989  
(For Filers With Qualified Higher Education Expenses)**

▶ Attach to Form 1040 or Form 1040A.

Name(s) shown on return	Your social security number
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1 (a) Name of person (you, your spouse, or your dependent) who was enrolled at or attended an eligible educational institution	(b) Name and address of eligible educational institution

If you need more space, attach a statement.

2 Enter the total qualified higher education expenses you paid in 2004 for the person(s) listed in column (a) of line 1. See the instructions to find out which expenses qualify . . . . .	2		
3 Enter the total of any nontaxable educational benefits (such as nontaxable scholarship or fellowship grants) received for 2004 for the person(s) listed in column (a) of line 1 (see instructions)	3		
4 Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, <b>stop</b> . You <b>cannot</b> take the exclusion . . . . .	4		
5 Enter the total proceeds (principal and interest) from all series EE and I U.S. savings bonds <b>issued after 1989</b> that you <b>cash</b> during 2004 . . . . .	5		
6 Enter the interest included on line 5 (see instructions) . . . . .	6		
7 If line 4 is equal to or more than line 5, enter "1.000." If line 4 is less than line 5, divide line 4 by line 5. Enter the result as a decimal (rounded to at least three places) . . . . .	7	×	
8 Multiply line 6 by line 7 . . . . .	8		
9 Enter your modified adjusted gross income (see instructions) . . . . . <b>Note:</b> If line 9 is \$74,850 or more if single or head of household, or \$119,750 or more if married filing jointly or qualifying widow(er), <b>stop</b> . You <b>cannot</b> take the exclusion.	9		
10 Enter: \$59,850 if single or head of household; \$89,750 if married filing jointly or qualifying widow(er) . . . . .	10		
11 Subtract line 10 from line 9. If zero or less, skip line 12, enter -0- on line 13, and go to line 14 . . . . .	11		
12 Divide line 11 by: \$15,000 if single or head of household; \$30,000 if married filing jointly or qualifying widow(er). Enter the result as a decimal (rounded to at least three places) . . . . .	12	×	
13 Multiply line 8 by line 12 . . . . .	13		
14 <b>Excludable savings bond interest.</b> Subtract line 13 from line 8. Enter the result here and on Schedule B (Form 1040), line 3, or Schedule 1 (Form 1040A), line 3, whichever applies . . ▶	14		

**General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code.

**Purpose of Form**

If you cashed series EE or I U.S. savings bonds in 2004 that were issued after 1989, you may be able to exclude from your income part or all of the interest on those bonds. Use this form to figure the amount of any interest you may exclude.

**Who May Take the Exclusion**

You may take the exclusion if **all four** of the following apply.

1. You cashed qualified U.S. savings bonds in 2004 that were issued after 1989.
2. You paid qualified higher education expenses in 2004 for yourself, your spouse, or your dependents.
3. Your filing status is any status **except** married filing separately.
4. Your modified AGI (adjusted gross income) is less than: \$74,850 if single or head of household; \$119,750 if married filing jointly or qualifying widow(er). See the instructions for line 9 to figure your modified AGI.

**U.S. Savings Bonds That Qualify for Exclusion**

To qualify for the exclusion, the bonds must be series EE or I U.S. savings bonds issued after 1989 in your name, or, if you are married, they may be issued in your name and your spouse's name. Also, you must have been age 24 or older before the bonds were issued. A bond bought by a parent and issued in the name of his or her child under age 24 does not qualify for the exclusion by the parent or child.

**Recordkeeping Requirements**

Keep the following records to verify interest you exclude.

- Bills, receipts, canceled checks, or other documents showing you paid qualified higher education expenses in 2004.
- A written record of each post-1989 series EE or I bond that you cash. Your record must include the serial number, issue date, face value, and total redemption proceeds (principal and interest) of each bond. You may use **Form 8818**, Optional Form To Record Redemption of Series EE and I U.S. Savings Bonds Issued After 1989.