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# PART I

# INTRODUCTION

## New Information

In tax year 2006 (processing year 2007), the IRS is enhancing the MeF system by adding the capabilities to e-file Form 1065, U.S. Return of Partnership Income and Form 1065-B, U.S. Return of Income for Electing Large Partnerships.

In future releases, the IRS plans to transition the existing *e-file* programs for Forms 1040 and 1041 to MeF. IRS will also begin accepting form 1120-F(US Income Tax Return of a Foreign Corporation) beginning January 2008. IRS will use the procedures in this publication as a standard for all *e-file* programs in the future.

IRS has combined information for Corporate, Partnership and Exempt Organization returns in this publication. Unless otherwise indicated, all information applies to all three return types.

This publication and its updates or revisions are available at www.irs.gov. Change pages, outlining the extent of any update/revision, will be posted separately.

Beginning in processing year 2007 all International Returns processed through MeF will be processed at the Ogden Processing Center.

Note: There are special sections at the end of this publication that address situations specific to a form type.

## Overview of Modernized e-File (MeF)

The Modernized e-File (MeF) system is used to process electronic Forms 1120, 1120-S, 7004, 990, 990EZ, 990PF, 1120POL, 8868, 1065 and 1065-B returns. IRS spent over three years on the design and development of the MeF system to ensure the needs of taxpayers were understood. IRS created a stakeholder group comprised of accounting firms and software vendors. This stakeholder group worked closely with the IRS during all phases of design, development and implementation of MeF. Many complex issues were identified and the solutions were incorporated into the design of MeF to ensure the most complicated income tax and information returns can be processed electronically. The project became one of the top IRS modernization projects and was placed on the new IRS architecture.

All returns electronically filed, including International returns, using the MeF system are processed at the Ogden Processing Center.

## Benefits of IRS *e-file*

- **More Explicit Error Conditions** - New error code explanations pinpoint the location of the error in the return and provide complete information in the Acknowledgement File.

- **Faster acknowledgements** - Transmissions are processed upon receipt and acknowledgments are returned in near real-time. No more waiting for once or twice daily system processing cycles.

- **Integrated Payment Option - Owe Taxes?** - You can e-file a balance due return and, at the same time, authorize an electronic funds withdrawal from your bank account. Payments are subject to limitations of the Federal Tax Deposit Rules.

- When the forms listed below are included as part of the electronic return, the requirement to submit duplicate copies of the forms to the Ogden Submission Processing Center (OSPC) is eliminated.
  - Form 5471---*Information Return of US Persons With Respect To Certain Foreign Corporations*
  - Form 5472---*Information Return of a 25% Foreign-Owned US Corporation or a Foreign Corporation Engaged in a US Trade or Business*
  - Form 5713---*International Boycott Report*

Modernized e-File includes several new features which are different from other *e-file* programs. Check with your software developer to ensure these features are available.

- The MeF system allows Transmitters to send transmissions to the IRS year round, 24 hours a day. The MeF system validates the transmission file and creates an acknowledgement file immediately. Many acknowledgements are returned in 2-3 minutes or less, depending on the size of the transmission file and the volume being processed at the time.

- 100% of the forms that can be attached to Forms Forms 1120, 1120-S, 7004, 990, 990EZ, 990PF, 1120POL, 8868 and 1065, 1065-B are included in MeF. As IRS adds new forms that can be filed with these forms, they will be added to the MeF system.

- MeF is completely paperless. EROs can sign the return using a Practitioner PIN or have the option to scan the jurats, Form 8453-C, Form 8453-S, 8453-PE, 8453-B, 8453-EO, and transmit them electronically to the IRS with the tax return. IRS MeF will not accept paper copies of any of the jurats.

- IRS will maintain three tax years (currently 2004, 2005, 2006) of existing MeF form types. As a new tax form type is added to the MeF platform (i.e. Form 1065), tax returns will only be accepted for the current processing year (i.e. TY 2006). As subsequent tax years are added to the system, MeF will only accept

the current processing year and two prior tax years. For example, Form(s) 1120/1120-S can only be e-filed for TY2006, TY2005 and TY2004.

- Rejects are now referred to as "Business Rules" and have been restated to be specific in defining the location of the error and the error is stated in plain English.

## Publications for Tax Returns and Information Returns

This edition of Publication 4163, *Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers*, replaces the previous edition revised February 2006 and the Publication 4206 for Exempt Organizations. This publication is designed to provide specific requirements and procedures for electronic filing through the Modernized e-File (MeF) system for:

- Form 1120, *U. S. Corporation Income Tax Return,*
- Form 1120-S, *U. S. Income Tax Return for an S Corporation*,
- Form 7004, *Application for Automatic 6-Month Extension of Time to File Certain Business Income Tax Information, and Other Returns*.
- Form 990, *Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax*
- Form 990EZ, *Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax*
- Form 990PF, *Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust Treated as a Private Foundation*
- Form 1120POL**,** *U.S. Income Tax Return for Certain Political Organizations*
- Form 8868, *Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return*
- Form 1065, *U.S. Return of Partnership Income*
- Form 1065-B, *U.S. Return of Income for Electing Large Partnerships*

The procedures in this publication should be used in conjunction with the following publications:

- Publication 3112, *IRS e-file Application and Participation* - contains information about the roles of software developers, transmitters and electronic return originators. IRS has standardized the information for all *e-file* programs.

- Publication 4162, *Modernized e-File Test Package for Forms 1120/1120-S* - contains the instructions and test case scenarios for software developers and transmitters to use for Assurance Testing System (ATS) of 1120/1120-S. This publication also contains the instructions and test case scenarios for Form 7004, Application for Automatic 6-Month Extension of Time to File Certain Business Income Tax, Information, and Other Returns.

- Publication 4205, *Modernized e-File Test Package for Exempt Organization Filings* **-** contains the instructions and test case scenarios for software developers and transmitters to use for Assurance Testing System (ATS) of Forms 990, 990-EZ, 990-PF, 1120-POL, and 8868

- Publication 4505, *Modernized e-File Test Package for Forms 1065/1065-B* – contains the instructions and test case scenarios for software developers and transmitters to use for Assurance Testing System (ATS) of 1065/1065-B.
- IRS e-file For Large Tax Exempt Entities Filing Their Information Returns contains guidance for charities and non-profits that prepare their own information return. This document is intended to assist tax exempt organizations with their transition from preparing a paper return to electronic filing. Tax exempt organizations should review this document and other useful information, including Frequently Asked Questions available at http://www.irs.gov/ . Simply click on the "e-file" logo and then click on "e-file for Charities and Non-Profits".

## Request for Publication

These Publications and their updates are available at irs.gov using this link:

IRS *e-file* Technical Publications

Or by entering "publication" in the Keyword Search"
Or take the following steps on the irs.gov web site:

- Click on the *e-file* logo
- Click on *e-file* for Software Developers & Transmitters
- Click on the appropriate forms that you are searching for (i.e.Form 1120/1120-S/7004 XML Schemas)
- Go to User Guide & Publications; select the publication you need.

## Communications

IRS has worked in partnership with many MeF stakeholders to develop the information contained within this publication. If you have any questions, suggestions or comments regarding this publication, or are aware of any errors (typographical, technical or usage), please let us know by e-mailing the appropriate program at the following addresses or write to:

For Form 7004 and Form 1120/1120-S, please send an email to 1120@irs.gov or write to:

Internal Revenue Service
1120 Program, SE:W:ETA:D:D1
Stop 1265AUSC
P.O. Box 934
Austin, TX 78767

Internal Revenue Service
7004 Program, SE:W:ETA:D:D1
NCFB C4-338
5000 Ellin Road
Lanham, MD 20706

For Form 990, 990EZ, 990PF, 1120POL, 8868, please send an email to TE/GE-EO-efile@irs.gov or write to:

Internal Revenue Service
990 Program SE:T:CAS:SC
MS 1110
1973 N. Rulon White Blvd.
Ogden, UT 84404

For Form 1065, please send an email to 1065MeF@irs.gov or write to:

Internal Revenue Service
1065 Program, SE:W:ETA:D:D2
NCFB C4-278
5000 Ellin Road
Lanham, MD 20706

The following list of communication vehicles will be used to distribute information and updates to MeF stakeholders:

- e-mail - The 1120 Team maintains an e-mail distribution list of current and prospective partners. On an as needed basis, updates and other communications are distributed to the group. To have your e-mail address added to the group, please send an e-mail with your name, company name, and any other relevant contact information, including your role (Electronic Return Originator (ERO), Software Developer or Transmitter) to the e-mail box indicated above specific to your form type.

- Quick Alerts is a FREE web based mass messaging system created for Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers, which include Software Developers, Transmitters, and Electronic Return Originators. Software Developers and Transmitters use their ETIN. EROs use their 6 digit EFIN. If you have received both an ETIN and an EFIN, then you should use your ETIN. The Quick Alerts messaging system uses a "push technology" program that can instantly disseminate messages to thousands of subscribers via pre-selected vehicle of choice(s): cell phone, e-mail, fax, telephone. Subscribers will receive communications 24 hours a day - 7 days a week, regarding processing delays, IRS *e-file* program updates, early notification of upcoming seminars and conferences. New subscribers may sign up at www.Envoyprofiles.com/quickalerts or through the links provided on the “Tax Professionals” page at http://www.irs.gov/

- The Ogden e-Help Desk provides MeF assistance for both software and communication testing and during transmission of returns through out the filing season. Software developers, transmitters and electronic return originators may call the Ogden e-Help Desk at 1-866-255-0654.

- IRS Website—A link for helpful web pages can be found by going through the http://www.irs.gov/ home page. Click on the *e-file* logo for information about *e-file* options for business partners including a list of approved *e-file* business products.

- EROs that have clients who are required to file under Temporary Treasury Regulation Section 301.6011-5T, issued January 11, 2005, may register to receive the latest updates from IRS. Register at irs.gov under e-file for Large and Mid-size Corporations.

| Topic | Services Offered | Number |
|---|---|---|
| Application/Suitability | IRS *e-file* Application (irs.gov)<br>To obtain additional information regarding the e-services Registration and IRS *e-file* Application process go to:<br><br>http://www.irs.gov//taxpros/article/0,,id=109646,00.html/ | |
| | Paper Application (Form 8633) | 1-866-255-0654 |
| | Obtain answers to questions regarding the IRS *e-file* Application process or about the status of an application | Outside US & US Territories 512-416-7750 |
| Electronic Funds Withdrawal (Direct Debit) Deposits | Providers may check the status of payments and the status of cancelled warehoused (deferred) payments | 1-888-353-4537 |
| Publications & Tax Forms | Order IRS publications and tax forms by phone or go to: http://www.irs.gov/taxpros/lists/0,,id=97782,00.html/ | 1-800-829-3676 |
| e-Help | Obtain assistance with electronic business tax filing by calling the e-Help Desk | 1-866-255-0654 |
| Tax Help | Request IRS Tax Assistance Business Taxpayers | 1-800-829-4933 |
| TeleTax (Recorded Tax Information) | Listen to Automated tax help see topic numbers in tax package | 1-800-829-4477 |
| Fraud | Report suspicious activity in the IRS e-File Program by calling the 1-800 number or e-mailing to HQ-QRF@ci.irs.gov; | 1-800-829-0433 |
| Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS) | Make ALL your federal tax payments, including income, employment, and excise taxes | 1-800-829-4933 |

## The IRS Web Site

**www.irs.gov**

**The following areas exist within the IRS Web Site. Areas may vary slightly as revisions are made to this site.**

Go to www.irs.gov/efile to find:

### *e-file* for Tax Professionals

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| **Get Ready, Get Set Go!** | **Important notes and dates about IRS e-file for the 2006 Filing Season** |
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| **e-Services** | **Suite of Web-based products that allow tax professionals and payers to do business with the IRS electronically** |
| **IRS *e-file* Made Easy – a Tax Professional's One-Stop e-file and e-Pay shop** | **One-Stop resource center for IRS *e-file* and e-payment information** |
| **QuickAlerts** | **Important *e-file* messages** |
| **Electronic Payment Options** | **Information on tax types and processing periods for electronic payments** |
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## Application To Participate in the IRS *e-file* Program

In order to begin e-filing tax returns, you must apply and be accepted as an Authorized IRS *e-file* Provider. For more information on the application process refer to Publication 3112, *IRS e-file Application and Participation*. This publication contains all the information needed to apply. The quickest way to apply is to use the IRS *e-file* Application On-Line**.**

**For more information go to the link below:**
http://www.irs.gov//taxpros/article/0,,id=109646,00.html

**Note: TO AVOID REJECTED RETURNS - EROs/Transmitters must have an application on file and it must be current with all the form types that are going to be e-Filed. If a return type that is not on the e-File application is electronically filed that return will be rejected (Error Reject 905). Having a current application on file with the IRS will avoid having returns rejected for this reason. .**

# Part II
# Processing Year 2007
# Information

## Highlights for Tax Year 2006, Processing Year 2007

**Note: TO AVOID REJECTED RETURNS - EROs/Tranmitters must have an application on file and it must be current with all the form types that are going to be electronically filed. If a return that is not on the e-File application is electronically filed that return will be rejected (Error Reject 905). Having a current application on file with the IRS will avoid having eturns rejected for this reason.**

**General Items of Interest**

- MeF is implementing the 1065 and 1065-B programs in January of 2007. Partnerships can now transmit 1065 and 1065-B returns through the MeF system using the same transmission methods allowed for the 1120 program.
- In processing year 2007 Transmitters will be able to send state submissions through both Application to Application (A2A) and Internet Filing Application (IFA). States will only be able to use A2A to pick up state returns and send IRS their state acknowledgments.
- **Tax Year 2005** - Temporary Treasury Regulation Section 301.6011-5T, issued January 11, 2005, required corporations who have **assets of $50 million or more and file at least 250 returns a year** to electronically file Forms 1120 and 1120-S for tax years ending on or after December 31, 2005. Exempt organizations filing Form 990, who had total assets of $100 million or more and file at least 250 returns a year are required to file electronically.
- **Tax Year 2006** – Temporary Treasury Regulation Section 301.6011-5T, issued January 11, 2005, required corporations who have **assets of $10 million or more and file at least 250 returns a year** to electronically file Forms 1120 and 1120-S for tax years ending on or after December 31, 2006. Exempt Organizations who have total assets of $10 million or more and file at least 250 returns a year are required to file Form 990 electronically. Private Foundations who file at least 250 returns a year are required to file Form 990-PF electronically regardless of their total assets.

NOTE: A corporation or organization is determined to have met the 250 return requirement if, during the calendar year ending with or within the taxable year of the corporation or organization, it is required to file a total of at least 250 returns of any type, including employment returns, excise tax returns, and information returns. IRS developed special guidance to assist corporations and exempt organizations with the transition from filing a paper return to electronic filing. This guidance applies to corporations required to e-file under temporary regulations. Corporations and exempt organizations required to e-file should review this information available at **www.irs.gov** . Simply click on the “e-file” logo and then click on “e-file for Large and Mid-Size Corporations or “e-file for Charities and Non-Profits.

Although electronic filing is required of certain corporations and exempt organizations, the majority of returns filed through the MeF system are voluntary

**MeF e-filing capabilities have been extended to the following:**

- Short Period Returns (Corporate and Partnership Returns Only). Note to Transmitters: The tax year in the Return Manifest and Return Header must reflect the current tax year being processed (i.e. TY 2006), then input the actual Beginning and Ending Dates of the short period return (i.e. 01/01/2007 to 02/28/2007).
- Final Period Returns (Corporate, Partnership and Exempt Organization Returns)
- Amended returns for all MeF supported returns (excludes Forms 7004 and 8868 extensions). For the 990 and 1065 programs MeF will accept amended returns for TY2006; For the 1120/1120S programs MeF will accept TY2005 and TY2006 amended returns.
- Form 1065, U.S. Return of Partnership Income
- Form 1065-B, U.S. Return of Income for Electing Large Partnerships

**XML schemas were developed and issued for the following new forms that can be attached to the 1120/1120-S return:**

- Schedule O (Form 1120), Consent Plan and Apportionment Schedule for a Controlled Group
- Schedule M-3 (Form 1120-S), Net Income (Loss) Reconciliation for S Corporations With Total Assets of $10 Million or More
- Form 1120-L, U.S. Life Insurance Company Income Tax Return
- Schedule M-3 (Form 1120-L), Net Income (Loss) Reconciliation for U.S. Life Insurance Companies With Total Assets of $10 Million or More
- Form 1120-PC, U.S. Property and Casualty Insurance Company
- Schedule M-3 (Form 1120-PC), Net Income (Loss) Reconciliation for U.S. Property and Casualty Insurance Companies With Total Assets of $10 Million or More
- 5884-A, Hurricane Katrina Employee Retention Credit
- Form 8906, Distilled Spirits Credit
- Form 8907, Nonconventional Fuel Source Credit
- Form 8908, Energy Efficient Home Credit

- Form 8909, Energy Efficient Appliance Credit
- Form 8910, Alternative Motor Fuel Credit
- Form 8911, Alternative Fuel Vehicle Refueling Credit
- Form 8912, Clean Renewable Energy Bond Credit
- Form 8913, Credit for Federal Telephone Excise Tax Paid (Note: if the tax return is only being filed to claim the TETR credit, do not e-file the return. Send the paper return to the appropriate IRS Submission Processing Center.)
- Form 8916, Reconciliation of Schedule M-3 Taxable Income with Tax Return Taxable Income for Mixed Groups
- Form 8916-A, Reconciliation of Cost of Goods Sold Reported on Schedule M-3
- Form 8886 is being revised and will not be available for e-filing until a later date. Once the revision is posted on the IRS.GOV webpage the IRS will accept the form as a pdf attachment to the electronic return.

**XML schemas were developed and issued for the following new forms that can be attached to the 1065/1065-B return:**

- Schedule K-1 (1065), Partner's Share of Income, Deductions, Credits, etc.
- Schedule K-1 (1065-B), Partner's Share of Income (Loss) from Electing Large Partnership.
- Schedule D (1065), Capital Gains and Losses.
- Schedule M-3 (1065/1065-B), Net Income (Loss) Reconciliation for Certain Partnerships.
- Schedule N Form 5471, Return of Officers, Directors, and 10% or more Shareholders of a Foreign Personnel Holding Company.
- Form 8308, Report of a Sale or Exchange of Certain Partnership Interests.
- Form 8909, Energy Efficient Appliance Credit.
- Form 8913, Credit for Federal Telephone Excise Tax Paid.
- Form 8916-A, Reconciliation of Cost of Goods Sold Reported of Schedule M-3

- Form 8886 is being revised and will not be available for e-filing until a later date. Once the revision is posted on the IRS.GOV webpage the IRS will accept the form as a pdf attachment to the electronic return.

- The following forms are no longer accepted through the Modernized e-File system:

  - Form 5735
  - Schedule P (Form 5735)
  - Form 8830
  - Form 8895
  - Form 5712-A

IRS Counsel reviewed Regulations to identify elections that require a signature to determine if the requirements can be changed. IRS published the results to this review on the Large and Mid-Size Businesses web page at http://www.irs.gov/businesses/corporations/article/0,,id=146959,00.html. Elections that require a separate signature may be submitted in PDF format.

## The Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006

The Tax Relief and Health Care Act was signed by the President on December 20, 2006. As a result of the late enactment, the implementation of many of the changes in the Modernized e-File (MeF) schemas cannot occur until processing year 2008. The following Form specific procedures should be followed by taxpayers e-fling returns on the MeF system.

**Form 5735 - American Samoa Economic Development Credit**

- The Act provides that a domestic corporation that is an existing credit claimant with respect to American Samoa and that elected the application of IRC § 936 for its last taxable year beginning before January 1, 2006 is allowed, for two taxable years, a credit based on the economic activity-based limitation rules. The credit is computed based on the rules of §§ 30A and 936.
  - The amount of the credit allowed to a qualifying domestic corporation under the provision is equal to the sum of the amounts used in computing the corporation's economic activity-based limitation with respect to American Samoa, except that no credit is allowed for the amount of any American Samoa income taxes.
  - Thus, for any qualifying corporation the amount of the credit equals the sum of (1) 60% of the corporation's qualified American Samoa wages and allocable employee fringe benefit expenses and (2) 15% of the corporation's depreciation allowances with respect to shortlife qualified American Samoa tangible property, plus 40% of the corporation's depreciation allowances with respect to medium-life qualified American Samoa tangible property, plus 65% of the corporation's depreciation allowances with respect to long-life qualified American Samoa tangible property.

    - The current § 936(c) rule denying a credit or deduction for any possessions or foreign tax paid with respect to taxable income taken into account in computing the credit under § 936 does not apply with respect to the credit allowed by the provision.
- This provision is effective for the first two taxable years of a corporation which begin after December 31, 2005, and before January 1, 2008.
- **Form 5735 will be accepted in PDF for 2006 tax year claimants.**

**Other Forms affected by Form 5735:**
The American Samoa Economic Development Credit is used to determine the allowable amount for several other credits. For these forms, the American Samoa Economic Development credit amount will be included on the same line as the Qualified Electric Vehicle Credit. It will be identified on paper returns with a write-in explanation.

- For e-filed returns, the American Samoa Economic Development Credit amount will be included as part of the total on the applicable form on the same line (identified below).
- The "write-in" will be identified on MeF returns by using the GeneralDependency Schema. The "write-in" explanation on this schema must be **described as Form 8835 Credit Amount** and should be referenced from the form's line where it was included. Write-in explanation should say - : "American Samoa Economic Development Credit amount included of $XX"
    - Form 1120 – U. S. Corporation Income Tax Return - **Sch J, Line 5b**
    - Form 8835 – Renewable Electricity, Refined Coal, and Indian Coal Production Credit –**Part II, Line 36c**
    - Form 8844 - Empowerment Zone Employment Credit **- Part II, Line 16c**
    - Form 8860 - Qualified Zone Academy Bond Credit **- Part II, Line 7c**

**<u>Form 8907 - Nonconventional Source Fuel Credit</u>**

- No schema change for 2006
- 2006 – **Part I, Line 4a and 4c MUST BE ZERO**. **Software Developers** should either embed zeros in these lines or not enable them in the software.
- 2005 Form is accepted in PDF but Part 1, Line 4b MUST BE ZERO.

**<u>Form 8923 – Mine Rescue Team Training Tax Credit</u>** <u>(New form)</u>
This form will be accepted in PDF for 2006 tax returns.

- PDF must be named and described - Form 8923 Mine Rescue Team Training Credit
- Form must be attached to the top level tax return, if the return is a consolidated return, it must be attached at the consolidated level.

**<u>Exclusion of 25% of Capital Gain for Certain Sales of Mineral and Oil Leases for Conservation Purposes</u>**
The Act provides a 25% exclusion from gross income of long-term capital gain from the conservation sale of a qualifying mineral or geothermal interest. The amount of this exclusion should be identified on the Schedule D as **TRHC - 403(c).**

## Amended and Superseding Corporate Returns

On February 14, 2007, the MeF system will process both superseding and amended returns. Amended and superseding returns for Form 1120 and 1120S will be taken for the 2005 tax year and forward. Beginning with 2006 returns - **both amended and superseding returns will be required to be e-filed** if the taxpayer is required to file electronically based on the temporary regulation unless a taxpayer has received an approved waiver to file that particular return in paper. All of the business rules for e-filing original returns will also be enforced for both superseding returns and amended returns.

Software developers who intend to support the new superseding and amended return functionality for 2005 must update their products to use the Form 1120 version 2.5 schemas. Taxpayers and prepares needing to file a 2005 superseding or amended return should discuss the availability of this functionality with their software developer.

**Superseding Returns**

A subsequent return **filed within the filing period (including extensions)** is considered a superseding return. A superseding return is considered the original filing because it takes the place of any other return previously filed during the filing period, with extensions.

A **superseding return must be a complete XML filing of the whole return, with all required forms, schedules and attachments (XML or PDF, if applicable).** A taxpayer filing a superseding return must indicate the return is such by selecting the Superseded Return checkbox (designation) in the software or the return will reject as a duplicate filing. All of the business rules for e-filing original returns will be enforced for superseding returns.

**Amended Returns**

A subsequent return **filed after the expiration of the filing period (including valid extensions)** is considered an amended return. A taxpayer filing an amended return must indicate the return is such by selecting the Amended Return checkbox (designation) in the software or the return will reject as a duplicate filing.

The IRS Amended Return process requires that any e-filed return designated as an Amended Return pass all of the same business rules as an original e-filed business return. Most
taxpayers e-filing amended returns will have already e-filed their underlying tax return, therefore the easiest process for e- filing the Amended Return will be to update the underlying original for the changed items. Once the return has been updated with the changes, attach the required PDF Form 1120X or Changes in Amended Return document (see below) and any other supporting explanations and refile the complete new return, ensuring that the Amended Return checkbox is selected.

For taxpayers who e-filed original returns with voluminous PDF and/or who filed hybrid returns that used the paper or PDF option, some of the PDF/Paper information may not need to be refiled with the Amended return if the changes do not affect the information

contained in those files (e.g. PDF elections, PDF Forms 1120-L or 1120-PC subsidiary returns, paper/PDF Forms 5471, 8858, 8865, etc.)
ended returns will require, **at a minimum**,

1. The corrected Form 1120 or 1120S completed in its entirety with the Amended Return checkbox selected.
2. All forms, schedules and attachments that changed or that support changes on the amended Form 1120/Form 1120S, including any subsidiary returns (if changed) and the information to support those changes.
3. Placeholder forms to pass any applicable business rules (i.e. 5471, 8858, 8865, etc.) where there is no change to the underlying data on that form. If the underlying data has changed, the corrected form must be attached
4. One of the Following:
    a. For Form 1120 - A PDF Form 1120X completed through Part I, line 10 or 11, as applicable, and Part II with the line number of each amended item, the corrected amount or treatment of the item, and an explanation of the reasons for each change. The PDF Form 1120X must be named Form1120X.PDF and described as Form 1120X. It must be attached to the top level 1120 return or the consolidated return, if applicable. Additional PDF explanations should be named Form1120XExplanationN.PDF – where N is the number of the file, if more than one is required. Each additional PDF attached filed should be described as 1120X Explanation Z, again where Z is the number of the file.

    **OR**

    b. For Form 1120/Form 1120S – A PDF statement that identifies the line number of each amended item, the corrected amount or treatment of the item, and an explanation of the reasons for each change. The PDF should be attached to the top level returns (if this is a consolidated 1120, then it must be attached to the consolidated return). The PDF file must be named *ChangesInAmendedReturn.PDF* and described as *Changes in Amended Return*.
5. A signed signature document (Form 8453-C/S), as applicable or use of a Practitioner's Pin.
6. Appropriate forms to make a payment, request a refund or request a credit carryover to another year.

## Return/Extension Due Date Charts

Due date charts for all form types can be found in sections pertaining to a specific form type in this publication.

## Returns Not Eligible for MeF

Returns and extensions meeting the conditions below cannot currently be filed electronically. (Note: Paper documents can be scanned and attached to electronic returns, but no paper documents may be mailed to the IRS.)

**For Forms 1120/1120-S:**

The Tax Year 2006 Corporate e-file Program does not accept and process the following corporate returns. Therefore, the corporation is excluded from the electronic filing requirement under Temporary Treasury Regulation Section 301.6011-5T unless otherwise noted.

- Returns with tax periods ending prior to December 2004
- Returns covering multiple tax periods
- Bank Holding Company Tax Act. Election to make installment payments for a portion of the total tax attributable to the Bank Holding Company Tax Act.
- Prompt Assessments
- Returns with reasonable cause as related to failing to pay and/or file timely**.** Note: Corporations required to e-file under Temporary Treasury Regulation Section 301.6011-5T are still required to file electronically. In order to comply with the mandatory e-file regulations, corporations must send the explanation of reasonable cause as a separate letter to Internal Revenue Service, ARKA Monterrey Park, 1973 N. Rulon White Blvd., Mail Stop 6552 (ARKA) - Attn: AM Clerical, Ogden, Utah 84404. These procedures do not apply to Form 2220 which should be filed as part of the electronic return.
- Returns with pre-computed penalty and interest. Note: Corporations required to e-file under Temporary Treasury Regulation Section 301.6011-5T are still required to file electronically. In order to comply with the mandatory e-file regulations, corporations must send the explanation of pre-computed penalty and interest as a separate letter to Internal Revenue Service, ARKA Monterrey Park, 1973 N. Rulon White Blvd., Mail Stop 6552 (ARKA) - Attn: AM Clerical, Ogden, Utah 84404.
- Requests for overpayments to be applied to another account. Note: Corporations required to e-file under Temporary Treasury Regulation Section 301.6011-5T are still required to file electronically. In order to comply with the mandatory e-file regulations, corporations must send the request to apply overpayments as a separate letter to Internal Revenue Service, ARKA Monterrey Park, 1973 N. Rulon White Blvd., Mail Stop 6552 (ARKA) - Attn: AM Clerical, Ogden, Utah 84404.

**The following forms cannot be filed electronically as a return.**

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| 1120-C | (formerly 990-C) Farmer's Cooperative Association |
| 1120H | Homeowners Association |
| 1120F | Foreign Corporation |
| 1120FSC | Foreign Sales Corporations |
| *1120-L | Life Insurance Company |
| 1120RIC | Regulated Investment Companies |
| 1120REIT | Real Estate Investment Trust |
| *1120-PC | Property and Casualty |
| 1120-SF | Settlement Funds |
| 1120ND | Nuclear Decommission Trusts |

*** Forms 1120L and 1120PC cannot be filed as standalone returns. They cannot be attached at the top level of the corporate return. They must be filed at the consolidated level .**

**For Form 7004:**

- Name change applications
- Reasonable cause for failing to pay timely
- Reasonable cause for failing to file application timely
- Requests for refunds
- Election to make installment payments for a portion of balance due amount
- Applications requesting extension due to change in accounting period unless prior approval has been applied for from IRS or certain conditions have been met. See Publication 538, Accounting Periods and Methods, for details.
- Applications with Net Operating Loss Carryback. Form 1138 should be sent separately, not with the application.
- Applications attaching a Power of Attorney (POA). POA should be sent separately, not with the application.
- Early filed returns (filed before end of tax period)
- See the 7004 Due Date Charts to determine which returns are eligible to file an extension
- Any condition or requirement, not supported by software, that requires the submission of a paper document or form (Exception – corporation filing under Temporary Treasury Regulation Section 301.6011-5T)
- Filing short period extension due to termination of 1120-S status.
- For Form 706-GS(D)
- For Form 8612
- For Form 8613
- For Form 8725
- For Form 8831

**For Forms 990 & 990-EZ:**

- Returns from organizations not recognized as exempt (application pending, etc.)
- Returns from organizations desribed in section 501(c)(28)
- Name change returns
- Returns showing a change in accounting period
- Short period returns (except for short period final returns)
- Early filed returns (filed before end of tax year except for final returns)
- Returns with tax periods ending prior to December 2003
- Returns with non-IRS forms attached such as Form LM-2 or LM-3 (Dept. of Labor)
- Organizations such as churches and government agencies that are excluded from the filing requirement pursuant to Reg. 1.6033-2(g); ***Exception***: domestic organizations excluded from filing ***solely*** because their gross receipts are normally less than $25,000 may file electronically if they choose.

**For Form 990-PF:**

- Returns from organizations not recognized as exempt (application for exemption pending, etc.)
- Returns with tax periods ending prior to December 2004
- Foreign private foundations
- Name change returns
- "Limited" 990-PFs, i.e., "Limited" 990-PFs are filed by organizations that originally received advance rulings as public charities but were later determined to be private foundations
- 507(b)(1)(A) terminations
- Foundations in 60-month terminations

**For 1120-POL:**

- Short period returns (except for short period final returns)
- Name change returns
- Returns with tax periods ending prior to December 2003
- Returns with non-numbered attachments/schedules (unless allowed for an attached form shared with Forms 1120/1120-S) for which an IRS format has not been developed

**For Form 8868:**

- Extensions from organizations not recognized as exempt (application pending, etc.)
- Extensions other than the automatic extension (Part I)
- Extensions for short period returns
- Extensions for the following forms:
    - Form 990-BL
    - Form 6069
    - Form 8870
- Extensions for group returns
- Extensions for composite Forms 990-T
- Extensions for consolidated Forms 990-T

**For Form 1065/1065-B:**

- Returns with tax periods ending in December 2005 and prior
- Returns filed for religious or apostolic organizations under section 501(d) or for organizations electing not to be treated as a partnership under section 761(a)
- Returns transmitted by a person not approved by the IRS for electronic filing
- Returns with Powers of Attorney (POA) attached and the IRS does not have a POA file
- Returns file under Sections 6020)bz, 501(d)(3) or 761(a) of the Internal Revenue Code
- Returns for inactive partnerships with no income on pages 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Form 1065
- Common Trust Fund Returns

## MeF Fed/State Program

MeF implemented the 990 and 1120 Fed/State Programs in January of 2006 and in January 2007 Fed/State was implemented for the 1065/1065-B Partnership Returns MeF Program. Several states successfully participated in the program were able to retrieve state returns from the IRS. The central feature is the single point of submission and retrieval for all registered transmitters and State agencies. Federal submissions can be transmitted to the IRS through EMS, MeF Internet Filing Application (IFA) or Application-to-Application (A2A). State submissions can only be transmitted through the IFA and A2A channels.

MeF will accept two kinds of submissions (1) IRS (federal) submissions and (2) State submissions. Each return/extension must be enclosed in a separate submission, but multiple submissions may be contained in a single message. The IRS and State submissions do not have to be transmitted to MeF together. A State submission can be linked to the IRS submission by including the Submission ID of the federal return in the State manifest. If the State submission is linked to an IRS submission (also referred to as a Fed/State return), the IRS will check to see if there is an accepted IRS submission under that Submission ID. If there is not an accepted federal return, the IRS will deny the State submission and an acknowledgement will be sent to the transmitter. (NOTE: There is no information on this state return provided to the state. The state will not know that the IRS received this state return.) If there is an accepted return under that Submission ID, then MeF will do minimal validation on the State submission that includes that the State indicated in the State manifest is a participating state in the applicable 990, 1065 or 1120 Fed/State Program. MeF will then pass along to the State the entire State submission that was sent in by the ERO/taxpayer in the State submission. If the ERO does not link the State return to a previously accepted federal return (also referred to as State Standalone return), then MeF will perform minimal validation as stated above that will include that the State allows State Standalone returns and then will pass along to the State the entire State submission that was sent in by the ERO/taxpayer. Note: The state return is made up of a state and a federal portion. The taxpayer provides both components based on what is required by the

state.  The IRS passes to the state just the information that has been provided by the taxpayer.

In addition, for Forms 990/990-EZ/990-PF, as part of the IRS return, a filer can request that a copy of the IRS return be provided to one or more participating States.  Upon receipt of the request, IRS will validate that the State(s) is participating in the Fed/State program.  If it is, then IRS will send a redacted copy of the return to the State agency(s). Items that are always redacted from the state copy include, but are not limited to, the PIN or Form 8453-EO, the request for the copy and any payment information included with Form 990-PF.  In addition, depending on the state, the IRS may also redact the Schedule B if the state does not require it.  MeF will process the IRS submission and will generate an acknowledgement for every IRS submission and copy of IRS Forms 990/990-EZ/990-PF forwarded to a State.  Each State is responsible for validating their State submissions and will be responsible for generating a State acknowledgement for each State submission which will be returned to the IRS for retrieval by the transmitter.

Both Federal and State returns must be in XML format, with optional PDF, when allowed by the state..  The federal returns must conform to the IRS valid schema versions.  State returns must conform to the corporate State Master Schema and include those elements defined for the specific state data. You can access the corporate State Master Schema at:  http://www.statemef.com.  For more information, you can contact the State *e-file* Coordinator.  You can access a current list of State Coordinators on irs.gov at: http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0,,id=97558,00.html.

# Part III
# Rules and Requirements
# For
# Modernized *e-file* Providers

## General

All Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers must adhere to IRS *e-file* rules and requirements to continue participation in IRS *e-file*. Requirements are included in Revenue Procedure 2000-31, throughout this publication, and in other publications and notices that govern IRS *e-file* (See Publication 3112, *IRS e-file Application and Participation*). Adherence to all rules and requirements is expected of all Providers regardless of where published. Some rules and requirements are specific to the activities performed by the Provider and are included in appropriate chapters of this publication. The following list, while not all-inclusive, applies to all Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers of Corporate Income Tax Returns, Exempt Organization Returns, Partnership Returns except Software Developers that do not engage in any other IRS *e-file* activity other than software development. A Provider must:

- Maintain an acceptable cumulative error or reject rate;
- Adhere to the requirements for ensuring that tax returns are properly signed and when applicable, provide legible and complete declarations;
- Include the ERO's EFIN as the return EFIN for returns the ERO submits to an Intermediate Service Provider or Transmitter;
- Include the Intermediate Service Provider's EFIN in the designated Intermediate Service Provider field in the electronic return record;
- Submit an electronic return to the IRS with information that is identical to the information provided to the taxpayer and when applicable, the declaration;

## Protecting Taxpayer Information
## Gramm Leach Bliley Act (GLBA) of 1999 & Federal Trade Commission Rules

Federal Trade Commission (FTC) states that Financial institutions include businesses that are "significantly engaged" in providing financial products or services to customers. This includes tax preparers, data processors, mortgage brokers, check-cashing businesses, non-bank lenders, personal property or real estate appraisers, courier services, and retailers that issue credit cards to consumers. It also applies to companies that receive information from financial institutions or share information with other financial institutions about their customers. It also pertains to their affiliates and services providers.

If you are a preparer, collector, intermediate service provider, data processor, or transmitter of nonpublic personal tax and financial information, you are considered a financial institution. Tax Preparation Service is defined in 16 CFR 313.3.

FTC enacted two rules pursuant to the GLBA: Privacy Rule and Safeguards Rule, effective May 23, 2003.

- Businesses must provide their customers with a privacy policy statement in addition to providing privacy of customer information. Notices must be written, either on paper or on a screen display.

- Businesses must also safeguard all customer information, which is defined as nonpublic personal information about their own customers or information received from a financial institution about the customers of another financial institution.

- This includes information handled by affiliates and service providers.

Visit the FTC website www.ftc.gov for documents, guidance, and useful information about your responsibilities.

## Safeguarding of Modernized e-File From Fraud and Abuse

Safeguarding MeF from fraud and abuse is the shared responsibility of the IRS and Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers. Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers must be diligent in recognizing and preventing fraud and abuse in IRS *e-file*. Neither the IRS nor Providers benefit when fraud or allegations of abuse tarnish the integrity and reputation of IRS MeF. Providers appoint an individual of a business as a Responsible Official who is responsible for ensuring the firm meets IRS *e-file* rules and requirements. Providers with problems involving fraud and abuse may be suspended or expelled from the IRS *e-file* program, be assessed civil and preparer penalties or be subject to legal action.

**Any time you observe or become aware of suspicious activity, report it to the IRS by calling 1-800-829-0433 (toll-free).**

To learn more about what the Internal Revenue Service has done to maintain integrity of its systems go to this link: **http://www.irs.gov//efile/article/0,,id=146388,00.html/**

## Returns Filed Through Modernized e-File

A "return" filed through *Modernized* e-File is a composite of electronically transmitted data. If a taxpayer is required to file a document that requires an original signature, IRS regulations have eliminated the obligation to mail the original document to the IRS. Instead, the original document should be scanned and transmitted with the return, but the original paper documents must be retained by the originator/taxpayer. More information on this regulations can be found at this link http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=157721,00.html

IRS Eases Reporting Burden on Corporations and Shareholders (May 26, 2006)
The Internal Revenue Service has announced new regulatory revisions that will reduce the reporting burden on corporations and shareholders while also making it easier for them to file their tax returns electronically.

- Revenue Procedure 2006-21
- REG-134317-05
- TD 9264

## Responsible Officials

A Responsible Official is an individual who is responsible for the corporation's *e-file* operation. A Responsible Official may be a Principal of the Firm or Corporate Officer, or these responsibilities may be delegated at the corporation's discretion. The Responsible Official is the first point of contact with the IRS and has the authority to sign revised IRS *e-file* applications. The Responsible Official ensures that the corporation adheres to the provisions of all publications and notices governing IRS *e-file*. If one individual cannot fulfill these responsibilities, additional Responsible Officials may be identified. The IRS strongly recommends that the company list more than one person on their e-file application. Also, it is recommended that a company submit application updates as changes are made because if contact is attempted and the contact on the application is no longer available, the IRS can disable that account until the information is updated. To add or change Responsible Officials, the IRS *e-file* Application must be revised.

For Large Taxpayers please review the "IRS e-file for Large Taxpayers Filing Their Own Corporate Income Tax Return, Rev. 02/2006 (pdf) and Exempt Entities should refer to IRS e-file For Large Tax Exempt Entities Filing their Information Returns.

## Delegated Users

A Delegated User is an individual within a firm/organization, other than a Responsible Official, who is authorized to use one or more of the e-Services products. A Responsible Official appoints an individual as a Delegated User on the IRS *e-file* Application. A Delegated User should be an employee, partner, or other member of the firm/organization or have a business relationship with the firm/organization. A Delegated User may be authorized by a Responsible Official with one or all of the following authorities:

- Viewing, updating, signing, and submitting IRS *e-file* Applications;
- Accessing e-Services incentive products (Disclosure Authorization, Electronic Account Resolution and Transcript Delivery System);
- Transmitting Forms through the Internet (Internet Transmitter);
- Requesting a new password (Security Manager).
- Enrolling a system for Application-to-Application communication (MeF System Enroller)

The actions of the Delegated User are the responsibility of the Responsible Official who appoints the individual.

**It is important that Responsible Officials and/or Delegated Users and their authorities be deleted from the IRS *e-file* Application when they are no longer associated with the Taxpayer or when their position within the firm no longer warrants one or more authorities.**

## Reporting Changes

A Responsible Official or a Delegated User authorized to revise an IRS *e-file* Application should ensure that the IRS has current information. All required changes can be made by updating your IRS *e-file* Application at:
http://www.irs.gov//efile/article/0,,id=98246,00.html/

The Application must be revised within thirty days of a change of any information on the current application. This is important for several reasons. If the IRS does not have current addresses, important letters, credentials, publications, or other materials may not be received. If any of these items are returned to the IRS indicating that the address has changed, the Electronic Return Originator will be temporarily removed from participation in IRS *e-file*. This means that all returns submitted after that time will be rejected until the address information is updated. The same is true for telephone numbers. If the IRS tries to call a number that has changed or has been disconnected, the Electronic Return Originator will be temporarily removed from participation in IRS *e-file* until new telephone numbers are provided.

Note: Changes submitted on an IRS *e-file* Application will not update the address of record for tax return records nor will a change to tax return records automatically update information associated with your EFIN.

## Submitting a Timely Filed Electronic Tax Return

All prescribed due dates for filing paper income tax returns apply to electronic returns. All Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers must ensure that returns are promptly processed. However, a Provider that receives a return for electronic filing on or before the due date of the return must ensure that the electronic portion of the return is transmitted on or before that due date (including extensions). An electronically filed return is not considered filed until the electronic portion of the tax return has been acknowledged by the IRS as accepted for processing. However, if the electronic portion of a composite return is successfully transmitted on or shortly before the due date, the return will be considered timely filed. If the electronic portion of a return is transmitted on or shortly before the due date and is ultimately rejected, but the Provider and the taxpayer comply with the requirements for timely resubmission of a corrected return, the return will be considered timely filed (see Transmission Perfection Period for Returns). For additional information about the filing of a return through Modernized e-File, see The Procedures for Electronic Return Originators of MeF Returns in Part IV of this publication.

Transmitters may provide electronic postmarks to taxpayers if the Transmitters adhere to the requirements in Part V of this publication. The receipt of an electronic postmark will provide taxpayers with confidence that they have filed their return timely. The date of the electronic postmark is considered the date of filing when the date of electronic postmark is on or before the prescribed due date and the return is received by the IRS after the prescribed due date for filing. All requirements for signing the return and completing the declaration as well as resubmitting a rejected timely filed return must be adhered to for the electronic postmark to be considered the date of filing.

## Disclosure of Tax Return Information

Under §301.7216, disclosure of tax return information among Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers for the purpose of preparing a tax return is permissible. For example an Electronic Return Originator (ERO) may pass on tax return information to an Intermediate Service Provider and/or a Transmitter for the purpose of having an electronic return formatted and transmitted to the IRS. However, if the tax return information is disclosed or used in any other way, an Intermediate Service Provider and/or a Transmitter may be subject to the penalties described in §301-7216 and/or the civil penalties in §6713 for unauthorized disclosure or use of tax return information.

## Preparer Penalties

Preparer penalties may be asserted against an individual or firm meeting the definition of an income tax preparer under §7701(a)(36) and §301.7701-15. Preparer penalties that may be asserted under appropriate circumstances include, but are not limited to, those set forth in §§6694, 6695, and 6713.

Under §301.7701-15(d), Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers are not income tax return preparers for the purpose of assessing most preparer penalties as long as their services are limited to "typing, reproduction, or other mechanical assistance in the preparation of a return or claim for refund". If an ERO, Intermediate Service Provider, Transmitter, or the product of a Software Developer alters the return information in a nonsubstantive way, this alteration will be considered to come under the "mechanical assistance" exception described in §301.7701-15(d). A nonsubstantive change is a correction or change limited to a transposition error, misplaced entry, spelling error, or arithmetic correction.

If an ERO, Intermediate Service Provider, Transmitter, or the product of a Software Developer alters the return in a way that does not come under the "mechanical assistance" exception, the Authorized IRS *e-file* Provider may be held liable for income tax return preparer penalties. See §301.7701-15; Rev. Rul. 85-189, 1985-2 C.B. 341 (which describes a situation where the Software Developer was determined to be an income tax return preparer and subject to certain preparer penalties).

In addition to the above specified provisions, the IRS reserves the right to assert all appropriate preparer and nonpreparer penalties against an Authorized IRS *e-file* Provider as warranted.

## Suspensions

For all rules for eligibility to reapply for participation in IRS *e-file* after being previously denied or suspended from participation in IRS *e-file* refer to the Publication 3112.

## Advertising Standards

In addition to the advertising standards common to all Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers detailed in Publication 3112, *IRS e-file Application and Participation*, there are additional responsibilities for Providers e-filing Corporate Income Tax Returns**.**

Providers must not use improper or misleading advertising in relation to IRS *e-file*. Any claims by Providers concerning faster refunds by virtue of electronic filing must be consistent with the language in official IRS publications.

In using the Direct Deposit name and logo in advertisement, the Provider must use the name "Direct Deposit" with initial capital letters or all capital letters; the Provider will use

the logo/graphic for Direct Deposit whenever feasible; and the Provider may change the color or size of the Direct Deposit logo/graphic when it is used in advertising pieces.

## Paperwork Reduction Act Notice

The collections of information contained in this publication have been reviewed and approved by the Office of Management and Budget in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3507) under control number 1545-1708.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid control number. Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. § 6103.

This information is required to implement IRS *e-file* and to enable taxpayers to file their corporate income tax returns electronically. The information will be used to ensure that taxpayers receive accurate and essential information regarding the filing of their electronic returns and to identify the persons involved in the filing of electronic returns. The collections of information are required to retain the benefit of participating in IRS *e-file*. The likely respondents are business or other for-profit institutions.

## Obtaining, Handling, and Processing Return Information from Taxpayers

An ERO originates the electronic submission of returns it either prepares or collects from taxpayers wishing to have their returns e-filed. The ERO must always identify the paid preparer (if any) in the appropriate field of the electronic record of returns it originates. EROs may either transmit returns directly to the IRS or arrange with another Provider to transmit the electronic return to the IRS. An Authorized IRS *e-file* Provider, including an ERO, may disclose tax return information to other Providers for the purpose of preparing a tax return under Section 301.7216. For example, an ERO may pass on return information to an Intermediate Service Provider or a Transmitter for the purpose of having an electronic return formatted or transmitted to the IRS.

An ERO that chooses to originate returns that it has not prepared, but only collected, becomes the tax return preparer of the returns when, as a result of entering the data, it discovers errors that require substantive changes and then makes the changes. A nonsubstantive change is a correction limited to a transposition error, misplaced entry, spelling error, or arithmetic correction. All other changes are considered substantive and the ERO becomes the return preparer. As such, the ERO may be required to sign the tax return as the income tax return preparer.

## Safeguarding Modernized e-File From Fraud and Abuse

While all Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers must be on the lookout for fraud and abuse in IRS *e-file*, EROs must be particularly diligent while acting in their capacity as the first contact with taxpayers filing a return. An ERO should always seek to recognize and prevent fraud and abuse of IRS e-*file*. A potentially abusive return is a return that is not fraudulent, is required to be filed by the taxpayer, but contains inaccurate information that may lead to an understatement of a liability or the overstatement of a credit resulting in a refund to which the taxpayer may not be entitled.

# Part IV
# Procedures For Electronic Return Originators of MeF Returns

## Be Careful With Addresses

EROs should inform taxpayers that the address on the first page of the return, once processed by the IRS, will be used to update the taxpayer's address of record. The IRS uses a taxpayer's address-of-record for various notices that are required to be sent to a taxpayer's "last known address" under the Internal Revenue Code and for refunds of overpayments of tax (unless otherwise specifically directed by taxpayers, such as by Direct Deposit).

Finally, an ERO's address must never be put in fields reserved for taxpayers' addresses in the electronic return record or on signature documents such as; Form 8453-C, 8453-S, 8453-PE, 8453-B, 8453-EO. The only exceptions are if the ERO is the taxpayer or the address of a power of attorney for the taxpayer for the tax return is the same as the address of the ERO.

## Foreign Address

Returns/extensions (except for Form 990-PF) with a foreign address in the entity portion of the electronic return may be filed electronically.

There will be instances in the preparation of the returns, forms or attachments when the preparer is directed to enter the two character Foreign Country Code. This code should always be the code of the Foreign Country or Foreign Sovereignty as recognized by the US State Department. For example; Scotland, Wales, and England are part of the foreign country United Kingdom. The Foreign Country Code for United Kingdom is UK. As well, the Balearic Islands are a part of Spain and should be coded as Spain, "SP". These are just a few examples. When entering foreign addresses in the return or forms, the state or republic (such as Scotland or England) can be entered with the city; "London, England" and the country as "United Kingdom" or "UK". (See Exhibit 3 for a list of the Foreign Country Codes)

If a two digit country code is not listed, the code "XX" should be used. A common mistake that was made in prior years was when a taxpayer entered the foreign country name instead of a code. Do not enter a foreign country name because this will cause your return to reject.

## Address Changes

### Domestic Address

MeF will accept all domestic address changes as shown by the taxpayer in the entity portion of the parent return. All required fields must be included in order for an address change to be made. The required fields are: Address Line 1, City, State and Zip Code. IRS will update the taxpayer's entity information with the change of address.

**Foreign Address**
MeF electronically filed Forms will accept changes to foreign addresses. The required fields are: Address Line 1, and Country Code. IRS will update the taxpayer's entity information with the change of address.

**Standard Street Address Abbreviations**
Exhibit 4, Standard Street Address Abbreviations, is included in this publication. The list is comprised of common abbreviations that are recognized by the U.S. Postal Service.

**Valid ZIP Codes**
See Exhibit 5 for a complete list of valid ZIP Codes.

## Name Controls

The Name Control for the filer should be determined from the information specified on the first name line. Generally, the Name Control is derived from the first four characters of the filer name and consists of up to four alpha and/or numeric, hyphen, and ampersand characters. See Exhibit 1, Name Controls, for a complete list of rules for creating Name Controls and examples to assist you in the preparation of the tax return. **Note: Noting the correct name control will avoid getting Business Rule Reject Code 901.**

## NAICS Codes

A principal business activity and the associated code is designed to classify an enterprise by the type of activity in which it is engaged to facilitate the administration of the Internal Revenue Code. These principal business activity codes are based on the North American Industry Classification System. In the case of a company that was previously engaged in a trade or business, the NAICS code that was applicable when there was activity should be used. In the case of a company that was not previously engaged in a trade or business (a new company), the NAICS code that corresponds to the intended trade or business should be used.

Exhibit 6 provides a list of the valid codes for Principal Business Activity Codes (NAICS Codes).

## Refund Returns

When taxpayers are entitled to refunds, Providers should inform taxpayers that they have several options. A corporate income tax refund may be applied to next year's estimated tax; received as a Direct Deposit or paper check; or be split so that a portion is applied to next year's estimated tax and the rest received as Direct Deposit or paper check.

Some taxpayers elect the Direct Deposit option because it is the fastest way of receiving refunds. Providers must accept any Direct Deposit election to any eligible financial institution designated by the taxpayer. Refunds may be designated for Direct Deposit to qualified accounts in the taxpayer's name. Qualified accounts include savings, checking, share draft, or consumer asset accounts (for example, IRA or money market accounts). Refunds may not be designated for Direct Deposit to credit card accounts. Qualified accounts must be held by financial institutions within the United States. Qualifying institutions may be national banks, state banks (including the District of Columbia and political sub-divisions of the 50 states), savings and loan associations, mutual savings banks, and credit unions.

Check or share draft accounts that are "payable through" another institution may not accept Direct Deposits. Taxpayers should verify their financial institution's Direct Deposit policy before they elect the Direct Deposit option.

Taxpayers who choose Direct Deposit must provide Providers with account numbers and routing numbers for qualified accounts. This information is best obtained from official financial institution records, account cards, checks or share drafts that contain the taxpayer's name and address.

Additionally, a Provider must never charge a separate fee for Direct Deposit and must accept any Direct Deposit election by a taxpayer to any eligible financial institution. The Provider must advise the taxpayer that a Direct Deposit election cannot be rescinded and that changes cannot be made to routing numbers of financial institutions or to the taxpayer's account numbers after IRS has accepted the return. The Provider must not alter the Direct Deposit information in the electronic record after a taxpayer has signed the tax return.

Providers with repeat customers or clients should check to see if taxpayers have new accounts. Some software stores last year's information and reuses it unless it is changed. Taxpayers will not receive Direct Deposit of their refunds if account information is not updated to reflect current information.

Refunds that are not Direct Deposited because of institutional refusal, erroneous account or routing numbers, closed accounts, bank mergers, or any other reason will be issued as paper checks, resulting in refund delays of up to ten weeks. While the IRS will ordinarily process a request for Direct Deposit, it reserves the right to issue a paper check and does not guarantee a specific date by which the refund will be deposited into the taxpayer's account. Neither the IRS nor FMS is responsible for the misapplication of a Direct Deposit that is caused by error, negligence, or malfeasance on the part of the taxpayer, Authorized IRS *e-file* Provider, financial institution, or any of their agents.

## Balance Due Returns

Taxpayers who owe additional tax must pay their balances due by the original due date of the return or be subject to interest and penalties. An extension of time to file may be filed electronically by the original return due date, but it is an extension of time to file the return, not an extension of time to pay a balance due. Providers should inform taxpayers of their obligations and options for paying balances due. Taxpayers have several choices when paying any taxes owed on their returns as well as estimated tax payments.

## Electronic Funds Withdrawal

The MeF Program will allow a taxpayer to pay the balance due on Form 1120/1120-S/1120-POL/990-PF/1065/1065-B tax returns or the 7004/8868 extension forms by authorizing an electronic funds withdrawal. If the taxpayer chooses this payment method, they may authorize the entire payment (or a partial payment) be made at the time that their tax return/extension form is electronically filed. *Note: only the entire payment can be made for the balance due on Form 8868/7004 unless otherwise stated in the forms instructions.*

The payment amount cannot be greater than the tax due on the electronic tax return or form. The taxpayer must specify the bank account from which they wish to have the payment withdrawn and the date on which the withdrawal will be made. This allows the taxpayer to pay the balance due as soon as the tax return or form is accepted or schedule the payment for withdrawal on a future date, not later than the return's due date. For returns transmitted after the due date, the payment date must be the same as the date the return is transmitted. Domestic corporations must deposit all income tax payments by using the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS) or with Form 8109, Federal Tax Deposit Coupon, by the due date of the return. If the corporation expects to have a net operating loss carryback, the corporation can reduce the amount to be deposited to the extent of the overpayment resulting from the carryback, provided all other prior year tax liabilities have been fully paid and Form 1138, Extension of Time for Payment of Taxes by a Corporation Expecting a Net Operating Loss Carryback, is filed with Form 7004.

Form 7004 or Form 8868 does not extend the time to pay tax. If the entity is a corporation or affiliated group of corporations filing a consolidated return, the corporation must remit the amount of the unpaid tax liability shown on line 8 on or before the due date of the return. If the entity is an exempt organization, it must remit the unpaid tax liability shown on Form 8868, line 3c, on or before the due date of the return. If you file Form 7004 or Form 8868 electronically, you can pay by Electronic Funds Withdrawal (EFW). See Form 8878-A. A trust (Form 1041), electing large partnership (Form 1065-B), or REMIC (Form 1066) will be granted an extension even if it cannot pay the full amount shown on line 8. But it should pay as much as it can to limit the amount of penalties and interest it will owe. If you are requesting an extension of

time to file Form 1042, see the deposit rules in the instructions for the form to determine how payment must be made.

If the electronic funds withdrawal (EFW) is authorized, an IRS Payment record must be attached to the electronic return and an EFW consent statement must be signed.

Note to transmitters: the payment record can only be attached at the top level return and any payment attached otherwise will not be processed. The following information is required in the payment record:

- Routing Transit Number
- Bank Account Number
- Account Type
- Payment Amount
- Requested payment Date
- Taxpayer's Daytime Phone Number

It is important to note that the following twenty day rule does not apply to payments: If a submission was rejected on the due date, the return can be submitted within 20 days of the due date and not be considered late. In case the return is rejected on the due date, it is recommended that the EFW payment not be transmitted with the return. The balance due can be paid by EFTPS or check/money order See payment rules and instructions at eftps.gov.

It is important to note that an ERO/Transmitter has 5 days to correct and resubmit a rejected extension. The twenty day rule does not apply to extensions with payments.

If taxpayers do not provide all of the required information, providers must contact the taxpayers. If the Provider is unsuccessful in obtaining the electronic funds withdrawal information, but the returns are otherwise complete, the Provider should proceed with the origination of the electronic return data to the IRS. The Provider must notify the taxpayer in writing that other arrangements must be made to pay the balance due.

## Credit Card Payments

In 2002 the IRS announced a policy decision to allow business e-filers to pay their balance due by credit card. Although this payment option is not currently applicable for any MeF-related software, the tax preparation software industry should contact the IRS if they want to incorporate a credit card tax payment option in their MeF software for Form 1120/1120-S/1120-POL, 1065/1065-B, 990-PF, 7004 and 8868 filers. The credit card payment data (card number and expiration date) must be collected during the return e-filing process and before the return is transmitted. The credit card tax payment data is forwarded to the IRS separately from the return. Once the e-filed return is accepted, the tax payment data will be forwarded to the IRS in an Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) format.

Below is a link to the technical specifications for integrating a credit card tax payment option into a software product. Any software developer that wishes to offer an integrated *e-file* and pay credit card option to business (or individual) e-filers may do so non-competitively. Annual registration is required. While the IRS generally accepts registration forms up to September of each year, to ensure that ample testing time is scheduled, early registration is strongly encouraged.

http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-schema/2006_credit_card_bulk_provider_requirements_rev_2.0.doc

## Payment Cancellation

To revoke or cancel any EFW payment, contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent, toll-free, at 1-888-353-4537. Cancellation requests must be received no later than 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, at least two business days prior to the scheduled payment date. If there is a change to the bank account information provided on the return or form, call this number to cancel the scheduled payment. You may also call this number to inquire about the status of an EFW payment. You can also call 1-800-829-4933 ten (10) days after the requested payment date to confirm receipt of your payment. When calling, please be ready to provide the Employer Identification Number, the payment amount, and the bank account number.

## Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS)

Balances due and estimated taxes can be paid year round using the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS). Taxpayers enroll in EFTPS-On-Line via an official government site on the Internet, using a user-friendly Web interface. After enrollment, taxpayers receive a confirmation package by mail with instructions. For more information on electronic deposit options, visit http://www.irs.gov//efile/ and click on "Electronic Federal Tax Payment System".

If your return is rejected and **the time to make a timely payment has lapsed** and you still need to make a payment, please make a Federal Tax Deposit through the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS). If you are not enrolled in the EFTPS you can complete and take Form 8109 Federal Tax Deposit Coupon with the payment to an authorized depositary (i.e., a commercial bank or other financial institution authorized to accept Federal Tax Deposits). All business taxpayers are authorized to use EFTPS. If you would like to enroll in the EFTPS by phone you can call 800 316-6541 or 800 945-8400, or visit the website at www.eftps.gov

## Pay by Check

Balance due payments may be made by mailing a check. Payments do not have to be mailed at the same time an electronic return is transmitted. For example, the return

may be transmitted in January and the taxpayer may mail the payment and voucher at any time on or before the return due date.

## Signing an Electronic Return

As with any Income tax return submitted to the IRS on paper, an electronic income tax return must be signed by an authorized officer and the paid preparer, if applicable. The taxpayer must designate a principal of the firm responsible for signing the income tax return following the procedures outlined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6062-1. The officer must sign and date the "Declaration of Taxpayer".

The MeF system requires taxpayers and Electronic Return Originators (EROs) to use one of the alternative signature options for signing electronic returns. The two available options are the Practitioner PIN method and the Scanned Form 8453. MeF validates that a signature exists for each return. If the taxpayer elects to sign a Form 8453, the scanned 8453 must be attached to the return. (A paper copy of the Form 8453 should NOT be sent to the IRS.) If the electronic return does not contain the required signatures, it will be rejected.

## Practitioner PIN Option

There are two components to the Practioner PIN method.

1) **Taxpayer PIN** --The taxpayer chooses the PIN that they wish to use to sign their return. The Taxpayer's PIN must be 5 numeric characters and cannot contain all zeros.

2) **Practitioner PIN --**The ERO selects an eleven position PIN to sign the return. The first 6 positions of the Practitioner PIN will be made up of the EFIN of the ERO and the next 5 positions will be made up of 5 numeric characters that the ERO will select. **The Practitioner PIN option can only be used if the taxpayer uses an ERO.** If the signature option of "PIN Number" is chosen, the taxpayer and ERO will be required to sign the return with a personal identification number (PIN). The Practitioner PIN option consists of two PINs – one for the taxpayer and one for the Practitioner.

   The Practioner PIN method **cannot** be used if a taxpayer is filing through an On-Line Provider or is a Large Taxpayer (assets $10 million and greater).

The taxpayer must decide whether they want to enter their own PIN or whether they authorize the ERO to enter the PIN they choose as their signature. This authorization is made on Forms 8879-C for 1120, 8879-S for 1120-S, and 8879-EO for Exempt Organizations, 8879-PE for 1065 and 8879-B for 1065-B. Pdf files of these forms can be downloaded from the irs.gov website as follows:

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| **Form 8879-C** | http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f8879c.pdf |
| **Form 8879-S** | http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f8879s.pdf |
| **Form 8879-EO** | http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/f8879eo.pdf |
| **Form 8879-PE** | http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs.pdf/8879pe.pdf |
| **Form 8879-B** | http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs.pdf/8879B.pdf |

The following fields are required for the Practitioner PIN method.

- Practitioner PIN
- PIN Entered By Indicator
- Name of Officer
- Title of Officer
- Taxpayer PIN
- Date Signed

**Note: Failure to include any of the fields above will cause the return to reject.**

**ERO** - The ERO must sign and complete the requested information in the "Declaration of Electronic Return Originator (ERO) and Paid Preparer section after thoroughly reading the declaration. An ERO may authorize members of its firm or designated employees to sign for the ERO, but the ERO is still responsible for all electronically filed returns originated by its firm. EROs do not have to disclose their EIN or SSN on the copies they provide to taxpayers.

**Paid Preparer** - If the return was prepared for a fee, the paid preparer must also sign the jurat. If the paid preparer is also the ERO, the preparer may check the "Also the Paid Preparer" box and not complete the "Paid Preparer's Use Only" section. Paid Preparers do not have to disclose their SSNs or EINs on the copies they provide to taxpayers.

**EXTENSIONS -**

**Form 7004 -** There is no signature requirement on the Form 7004, unless there is a payment made with the Form 7004. The Practitioner PIN method is required if a payment is attached to the Form 7004. Practitioner PIN is the only option viable for signing extensions.

**Form 8868 -** Application for Extension of Time to File an Exempt Organization Return, no longer requires a signature, unless there is a payment attached.

## Scanned for 8453 Option

The alternative signature option that is available for Forms 1120, 1120-S, 1065, 1065B, 990, 990-EZ, 990-PF, 8868 and 1120-POL is the scanned Form 8453. The scanned Form 8453 must be used if the taxpayer decides not to use or is prohibited from using the Practitioner PIN option. If this option is chosen, the taxpayer and ERO (if applicable) must sign the paper 8453. The signed 8453 must then be scanned into a PDF document and inserted into the electronic return as a binary attachment. The binary attachment must be named "8453 Signature Document".

**Note: Naming the binary attachment with a different name will cause the return to reject.**

## Elections That Require Separate Signatures

IRS Counsel reviewed Regulations to identify elections that require a signature to determine if the requirements can be changed. IRS published the results to this review on the Large and Mid-Size Businesses web page at http://www.irs.gov/businesses/corporations/article/0,,id=146959,00.html. Elections that require a separate signature may be submitted in PDF format.

## Special Instructions When Attaching Binary Files

Binary files attached to a return must contain a meaningful title or explanation for the attachment. The description will be used when the IRS displays the name of the attachment. Examples include: "Taxable Income Bracket Allocation" or "Statement of Corporate Reorganization".

## Special Instructions for Supporting Data Required by Form 8865

In many instances information on schedules attached to Form 1065 will be the same schedules required to be filed with Form 8865, *Return of US Person with Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships*. If a taxpayer has already prepared Form 1065 and has completed Schedules B, D, K, K1, L, M-1, M-2, do **NOT** attach the Form 1065 schedules to the return, instead copy the data from the Form 1065 schedules to the corresponding Form 8865 schedules.

## Avoiding Refund Delays

EROs should advise taxpayers that they can avoid refund delays by having all of their taxes and obligations paid, providing current and correct information to the ERO,

ensuring that all bank account information is up-to-date and carefully checking their tax return information before signing the return.

Suggestions to avoid rejects and refund delays:

- Exercise care in the entry of tax return data into tax return preparation software and carefully check the tax return information before signing the tax return;
- Avoid taxpayers who insist on claiming dubious items on tax returns or present altered or suspicious documents;
- Ask taxpayers if there were problems with last year's return; if so, see if the conditions that caused the problems have been corrected or can be avoided this year; and
- Keep track of client issues that result in refund delays and analyze for common problems; counsel taxpayers on ways to address these problems.

## Submitting the Electronic Return to the IRS

An ERO must originate the electronic submission of a return as soon as possible after it is signed. **Please emphasize to your customers that they MUST NOT send a paper copy of their return to the IRS, doing so will create duplicate filings.**

An ERO must ensure that stockpiling of returns does not occur at its offices. Stockpiling refers to either collecting returns from taxpayers or from another Authorized IRS *e-file* Provider prior to official acceptance in IRS *e-file*. Or, after official acceptance to participate in IRS *e-file*, stockpiling refers to waiting more than three calendar days to submit the return to the IRS once the ERO has all necessary information for origination. Returns that are held prior to the date that electronic returns may be transmitted to the IRS are not considered stockpiled.

## Record Keeping and Documentation Requirements

EROs must retain the information listed below until the end of the calendar year in which the return was filed or nine months after a fiscal year return was filed. An ERO may retain the required records at the business address of the Responsible Official during any period of time the office is closed. The ERO must make the records available to the IRS upon request.

- A copy of signed IRS *e-file* Consent to Disclosure forms for taxpayers who signed using an electronic signature;
- The acknowledgement file for IRS accepted returns.

Forms 8878-A, 8879-C, 8879-S , 8879-PE, 8879-B, 8879-EO, must be available to the IRS in the same manner described above, for three years from the due date of the return or IRS received date, whichever is later.

EROs may electronically image and store all paper records they are required to retain for IRS *e-file*. This includes signed signature documents as well as any supporting documents not included in the electronic record and all signature documents. The storage system must satisfy the requirements of Revenue Procedure 97-22, *Retention of Books and Records*. In brief, the electronic storage system must ensure an accurate and complete transfer of the hard copy to the electronic storage media. All records must be able to be reproduced with a high degree of legibility and readability (including the taxpayers' signatures) when displayed on a video terminal and when reproduced in hard copy.

Electronic Filers who are required to originate their own returns must retain all information that a taxpayer would retain for the appropriate time period.

## Providing Information to the Taxpayer

The ERO must provide a complete copy of the return to the taxpayer in any media, including electronic media, that is acceptable to both the taxpayer and the ERO. However, the copy need not contain the taxpayer identification number of the paid preparer. A complete copy of a taxpayer's return includes jurats, as well as the electronic portion of the return. The electronic portion of the return can be contained on a replica of an official form or on an unofficial form. However, on an unofficial form, data entries must be referenced to the line numbers or descriptions on an official form. If the taxpayer provided a completed paper return for electronic filing and the information on the electronic portion of the return is identical to the information provided by the taxpayer, a printout of the electronic portion of the return does not have to be provided to the taxpayer. The ERO should advise the taxpayer to retain a complete copy of the return and any supporting information.

## Acknowledgements of Transmitted Return Data

The IRS electronically acknowledges the receipt of all transmissions and returns. Each return in a transmission is either accepted or rejected for specific reasons. Returns which meet the processing criteria are considered "filed" as soon as the return is accepted. Rejected returns that fail to meet processing criteria are considered "not filed." The acknowledgement identifies the source of the reject and uses business rules to explain the problem. A business rule will explain why the transmission or return rejected (See Exhibit 7, Business Rules).

If the ERO makes changes to the electronic return after the jurat has been signed by the taxpayer (whether it was before transmitting or if the return was rejected after transmission) returns can be corrected and transmitted without new signatures or authorizations if changes to corporate returns are not more than $150 to "Total Income" or more than $100 to "Taxable Income". New signatures or authorizations are not

required for Exempt Organizations if changes to the reported gross receipts are not more than $100. If the changes are more than the amounts listed, the taxpayer is required to sign a new jurat or signature authorization and the taxpayer must be given a copy of the applicable document (either paper or electronic).

When the MeF system has finished processing a return, it generates an acknowledgement that acts as an electronic confirmation of the status of each return, accepted or rejected. The ERO must, at the request of the corporation, provide the *SubmissionID Number and the date the electronic return was accepted by the IRS. The ERO must also, if requested, supply the electronic postmark, if the Transmitter provided one for the return. This information can be found in the acknlowledgement sent to the Transmitter.

*SubmissionID – 20 position field: (EFIN, YYYY, Julian Day, 7 position Alphanumeric)

## Resubmission of Rejected Extensions

If the Service rejects the extension request and the reason for the rejection cannot be corrected and retransmitted, the ERO must take reasonable steps to inform the taxpayer of the rejection within 24 hours. When the ERO advises the taxpayer that the extension has not been filed, the ERO must provide the taxpayer with the Business Rule explanation (See Exhibit 7).

- If the electronic extension can be retransmitted it must be filed by the later of the due date of the return or 5 calendar days after the date the Service gives notification the return is rejected

- If the electronic extension cannot be accepted for processing electronically, the taxpayer must file a **paper** extension. In order for the **paper** extension to be considered timely it must be filed by the later of the due date of the return or 5 calendar days after the Service gives notification the extension is rejected. The **paper** extension should include an explanation of why the extension is being filed after the due date and include a copy of the reject notification.

## Transmission Perfection Period

When a transmitted electronic return is rejected, there is a 20 day Transmission Perfection Period to perfect that return for electronic re-transmission. For Form 7004 and 8868 extensions the perfection period is 5 days. Perfection of the return for electronic re-transmission generally means that the originally signed return may have errors in the format of the XML or errors that cause the return to fail the IRS e-file business rules.

When a previously rejected electronic return is Accepted by the IRS within the 20 day Transmission Perfection Period, it will be deemed to have been received on the date of the first reject that occurred within that 20 day period.

The 20 days is actually a look back period and is determined once the return is accepted. IRS looks back 20 days from the date the return is Accepted to determine if there have been any rejects for the same EIN and Year. If there have been one or more rejects within that 20 day look back period, IRS uses the received date on the earliest reject as the received date for the Accepted return . A GTX key is generated for returns transmitted through EMS and IFA, based on the received date of the return. Returns that are transmitted through Application to Application use a timestamp as a received date. (Note: the received date is the electronic postmark, if present, or the IRS received date in the GTX Key Timestamp)

The chart below provides examples of how IRS determines received dates. The chart assumes 1st rejection occurs on date of transmission, 2nd rejection occurs on date of retransmission, and acceptance occurs on date of final transmission. The IRS received date is used for purposes of determining whether a return is timely filed.

| | **Tax Year End** | **Due Date** | **Original transmission/ 1st Reject Date** | **2nd transmission / Reject Date** | **Accepted Date/ final transmission** | **IRS Received Date** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 12/31/06 | 03/15/07 | 03/10/07 | 03/12/07 | 03/30/07 | 03/10/07 |
| 2 | 12/31/06 | 03/15/07 | 03/15/07 | 03/25/07 | 04/10/07 | 03/25/07 |
| 3 | 12/31/06 | 03/15/06 | 03/10/07 | 03/15/07 | 04/04/07 | 03/15/07 |
| 4 | 12/31/06 | 03/15/06 | 08/10/07 | 09/18/07 | 09/25/07 | 09/18/07 |
| 5 | 03/31/07 | 06/15/06 | 08/10/07 | 12/15/07 | 01/01/08 | 12/15/07 |
| 6 | 12/31/06 | 03/15/06 | NA | NA | 10/01/07 | 10/01/07 |

How to Determine IRS Received Date:
# 1 – Return corrected and accepted on 3/30 and there were two rejects within the 20 day look back period. The earliest reject date (3/10) is used.
# 2 - Return corrected and accepted on 4/10/07 and had a previous reject within 20 day look back period (3/25/07)
# 3 – Return corrected and accepted on 4/4 and had one reject within the 20 day look back period (3/15/07)
# 4 – Return corrected and accepted on 9/25 and had one reject within the 20 day look back period (9/18).
# 5 - Same as #4,
# 6 – Return transmitted and accepted and no rejected returns within 20 day look back period. .

If the electronic return cannot be accepted for processing electronically because the reason for the rejection cannot be corrected to comply with electronic filing requirements, then the taxpayer must file a paper return. To be considered timely filed, the paper return must be postmarked by the later of the due date of the return (including extensions) or 10 calendar days after the date the Service gives notification that the return was rejected and the e-filed returns could not be perfected. The paper return should include an explanation of why the paper return is being filed after the due date, and include a copy of the reject notification and brief history of actions taken to correct the electronic return. **NOTE: Corporations and Exempt Organizations required to**

**file under Temporary Treasury Regulation Section 301.6011.5T must contact the e-Help Desk for assistance in correcting rejects before filing a paper return.**

# Part V
# Procedures For Transmitters of MeF Returns

## General

- Please note that the Modernized e-File (MeF) Assurance Testing System (ATS) is not configured exactly the same as the MeF Production system. Therefore, a tester should not expect the same response time when testing in the ATS environment versus the Production environment (especially regarding performance or load testing)-- this includes testing a single extremely large return in one transmission, several large returns in one transmission, or a large number of concurrent transmissions.

- As a new tax form type is added to the MeF platform (i.e. Form 1065), tax returns will only be accepted for the current processing year (i.e. TY 2006). As subsequent tax years are added to the system, MeF will only accept the current processing year and two prior tax years. For example, Form(s) 1120/1120-S can only be e-filed for TY2006, TY2005 and TY2004.

- Beginning in January 2008, MeF transmitters must use either IFA or A2A. EMS will not be available to MeF transmitters in 2008.
- EMS Changes for MeF Transmitters

You can find information on "What's New for EMS in 2007" by accessing irs.gov at http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0,,id=150166,00.html.

- All direct transmitters who login to the 2007 Electronic Management System (EMS) for Tax Year 2006 will be required to enter a new EMS Login ID that will be mailed to them. Each Electronic Transmitter Identification Number (ETIN) will be associated with its own EMS Login ID.

- All business production transmissions must be sent through either the EMS Internet solution or via an IRS-approved Trading Partner-provided encrypted dedicated/leased line. If transmitters do not have the IRS documents and specifications concerning Internet Filing or Dedicated Leased Line Encryption, send an e-mail to: E-file.transmission.encryption@irs.gov.

- For MeF transmitters using the EMS Encryption Internet solution to access EMS, you must use the following URLs:
  Testing – efileB.ems.irs.gov
  Production – efileC.ems.irs.gov

## Transmitter Requirements

A Provider participating in MeF as a Transmitter must fulfill the requirements below.

- Transmit all electronic portions of returns to the appropriate IRS center within three calendar days of receipt;
- Retrieve the acknowledgement file within two work days of transmission;
- Match the acknowledgement file to the original transmission file and send the acknowledgement file for all rejected and accepted returns, to the ERO or Intermediate Service Provider within two work days of retrieving the acknowledgement file;
- Retain an acknowledgement file received from the IRS for one year from the date the electronic return was filed;
- Immediately contact the IRS e-Help Desk toll-free number 1-866-255-0654 for further instructions if an acknowledgement of acceptance for processing has not been received within 24 hours of transmission or if an acknowledgement for a return that was not transmitted in the designated transmission is received;
- Promptly correct any transmission error that causes an electronic transmission to be rejected;
- Contact the IRS e-Help Desk toll-free number 1-866-255-0654 for assistance if the electronic portion of the return has been rejected after three transmission attempts;
- Ensure the security of all transmitted data;
- Ensure against the unauthorized use of its EFIN or ETIN. A Transmitter must not transfer its EFIN or ETIN by sale, merger, loan, gift, or otherwise to another entity; and
- Use only software that does not have an IRS assigned production password built into the software.

## Additional Transmitters Responsibilities for On-Line Providers

On-Line Filing is a method of electronic filing through a personal computer. The corporation submits the electronic return from a personal computer to an authorized On-Line Provider. An Intermediate Service Provider may be involved to assist in processing tax return information between the corporation and the On-line Provider.

Publication 4164 outlines requirements for all transmitters in the IRS *e-file* program. In addition to those requirements, a Transmitter participating in On-Line Filing has some additional responsibilities. When participating in On-Line Filing, the On-Line Provider must:

- Ensure that it uses an EFIN or ETIN obtained for On-Line Filing;
- Ensure that Intermediate Service Provider's EFIN is included in the electronic return data, when applicable;
- Transmit On-Line returns and returns filed using an ERO in separate batches.
- Notify the corporation (taxpayer) of the status of a return by:
  - sending an electronic transmission to the taxpayer or Intermediate Service Provider, when applicable, within two work days of retrieving the acknowledgement file from the IRS, or;
  - by mailing a written notification to the taxpayer within one work day of retrieving the acknowledgement file;
- Provide the Internet Protocol (IP) information. The information consists of the IP Address, IP Date, IP Time and IP Time Zone.
- Only enter into agreements with companies to allow access to On-Line Filing if the company correctly captures the IP Address of the computer submitting the return and the date, time, time zone of the computer receiving it.
- Include the Originator Type, "OnlineFiler", in the Return Header.
- The Transmitter must notify the corporation of the following:

**Accepted Returns**

- Provide the acknowledgement File

**Rejected Returns**

- That the IRS rejected the electronic portion of the taxpayer's return;
- Date the return was rejected;
- The Business Rule explaining why the return was resulting in the Reject condition;

- What steps the taxpayer needs to take to correct the errors that caused the reject; and
- That if the taxpayer chooses not to have the electronic portion of the return corrected and transmitted to the IRS, or, if the electronic portion of the return cannot be accepted for processing by the IRS, the taxpayer must file a paper return. In order to be filed timely, the paper return must be filed by the later of the due date of the return or 10 calendar days after the date the IRS gives notification that the electronic portion of the return is rejected or that it cannot be accepted for processing. The paper return should include an explanation of why the return is being filed after the due date.

**Note: If taxpayer is required to e-file their return under Treasury Regulaton Section 301.6011-5T, contact the e-Help Desk before filing the paper return.**

## Electronic Postmark

A Transmitter may provide an electronic postmark to taxpayers that file Tax Returns and Extensions of Time to File Tax Returns, through an ERO or through On-Line Filing. The Transmitter creates the electronic postmark bearing the date and time (in the Transmitter's time zone) that the return is received at the Transmitter's host computer. The taxpayer must adjust the electronic postmark to the time zone where the ERO is located or where the taxpayer resides in the case of On-Line Filing to determine the postmark's actual time. For example, if the Transmitter provides an electronic postmark with a time in the Pacific Time Zone but the taxpayer resides in the Eastern Time Zone, the taxpayer must add three hours to the postmark time to determine the actual postmark time (Eastern Time Zone).

If the electronic postmark is on or before the prescribed deadline for filing but the return is received by the IRS after the prescribed deadline for filing, the return will be treated as filed on the electronic postmark's date. If the electronic postmark is after the prescribed deadline for filing, the IRS actual receipt date, not the date of the electronic postmark will be the filing date. If a return is rejected, a corrected return must be filed in accordance with the rules for timely filing corrected returns after rejection of an electronic return.

A Transmitter is authorized to provide an electronic postmark if the Transmitter:

- Creates an electronic postmark bearing the date and time (in the Transmitter's time zone) the return was received by the Transmitter's host system;

- Provides the electronic postmark to the taxpayer or the ERO no later than when the acknowledgement is made available to the taxpayer in a format that precludes alteration and manipulation of the electronic postmark information;

- Provides the same electronic postmark data to the IRS in the electronic record of the return;

- Provides taxpayers with an explanation of the electronic postmark and when the IRS treats the electronic postmark as the filing date;

- Refrains from using terms that currently have specific meaning in the postal industry such as “certified” or “registered” and similar terms, and from using “Internal Revenue Service”, “IRS” or “Federal” as a definer of the electronic postmark when discussing the electronic postmark, including in all advertising, product packaging, articles, press releases, and other presentations;

- Retains a record of each electronic postmark for one year and provides the record to the IRS upon request;

- Transmits all tax returns and extensions of time to file that received an electronic postmark to the IRS within two days of receipt from the ERO or from the taxpayer in the case of On-Line Filing.

## Routine Maintenance

There is a routine weekly maintenance window for MeF that is scheduled from 1am to 7am, EST on Sundays. Transmitters should plan that there willl be intermittent down time during this window and no additional communicaton will be made on this down time. Wheneever possible, MeF will communicate with transmitters any unscheduled outage of more than two hours during non-peak time or one hour during peak times.

# Part VI
# Procedures For Other Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers

In addition to Electronic Return Originators and Transmitters previously discussed, there are other activities performed by Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers, including intermediate service and software development.

## Intermediate Service Providers

An Intermediate Service Provider receives tax information from an ERO (or from a taxpayer who files electronically using a personal computer, modem, and commercial tax preparation software), processes the tax return information, and either forwards the information to a Transmitter or sends the information back to the ERO or taxpayer (for On-Line Filing).

An Authorized IRS *e-file* Provider participating as an Intermediate Service Provider must meet the following responsibilities to participate in IRS *e-file*. The Intermediate Service Provider must:

- Deliver all electronic returns to a Transmitter or the ERO who gave the electronic returns to the Intermediate Service Provider within three calendar days of receipt;
- Retrieve the acknowledgement file from the Transmitter within one calendar day of receipt by the Transmitter and send the acknowledgement file to the ERO (whether related or not) within one work day of retrieving it;
- Retain each acknowledgement file received from a Transmitter for one year
- Send any return and jurat needs changes as described in Part IV back to the ERO for correction.

**Additional Requirements for Participants in On-Line Filing**

When a return is filed using On-Line Filing, the Intermediate Service Provider processes information for a taxpayer so that a Transmitter can send the electronic return(s) to the IRS. In so doing, the Intermediate Service Provider must:

- Ensure that it uses an EFIN obtained for On-Line Filing;
- Ensure that it s On-Line Filing EFIN is included in the electronic return data, when applicable;
- Send the transmission to the Transmitter within 24 hours of the receipt of the return from the taxpayer;
- Immediately forward to the taxpayer information received from the Transmitter as required for On-Line Filing. For example, a Transmitter receives information from the IRS regarding the status of the electronic portion of a taxpayer's return.

## Software Developers

A Software Developer develops software for the purposes of formatting electronic return information according to IRS *e-file* specifications and/or transmitting electronic return information directly to the IRS. IRS *e-file* specifications may be found in Publication 4164, *Modernized e-File Guide for Software Developers and Transmitters*. Software Developers must pass Assurance Testing as prescribed in Publication 4162, Modernized e-File *Test Package for Forms 1120/1120-S. Publication 4505, Modernized e-File Test Package for Forms 1065/1065-B, and Publication 4205, Modernized e-file Test Package for Exempt Organization Filings.*

A Software Developer must:

- Promptly correct any software error which causes the electronic portion of a return to be rejected and then promptly distribute that correction;
- Ensure that any software package that will be used to transmit electronic portions of returns from multiple Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers has the capability of combining returns from these Providers into one IRS transmission file.
- Ensure that its software contains appropriate language and version indicators for Consent To Disclose and Jurat statements;
- Ensure software contains IRS *e-file* Signature Authorization; and
- Ensure its software allows for input of different addresses on appropriate forms and schedules.

**In addition a Software Developer that participates in On-Line Filing must also:**

- Ensure that it's software contains Form 8453-C, 8453-S, 8453-EO, 8453-PE, 8453-B in a format that can be printed
- Ensure the Internet Protocol (IP) statement is present.

# Part VII
# Guidelines For Transition From Paper to Electronic Filing

## Transition From Paper to Electronic Filing

The information included in this section will help EROs understand and plan for the differences of preparing a paper return versus an electronic return/extension.

IRS requires all tax return data (forms, supporting data, and elections) to be transmitted to IRS in one transmission file. If EROs uses multiple tax preparation software packages to prepare a tax return, they should check with the software vendor(s) to determine how to aggregate the various portions of the tax return into the defined electronic format and transmit to IRS in one transmission file.

IRS defined a flexible structure that must be used to create electronic income tax returns. This structure is necessary and critical to ensure tax preparation software can create an electronic return which can be transmitted to and viewed by IRS systems. IRS issues the required structure for all forms in XML schemas. IRS develops the XML schemas and makes them available to software vendors who are required to use them to develop tax preparation software marketed for electronic filing. Additional information on the processes used by IRS and software vendors to develop and test tax preparation software approved for electronic filing is available on http://www.irs.gov/

## Preparing Supporting Data Required by IRS Forms or Form Instructions

IRS reviewed all of the forms and form instructions and identified every instance where taxpayers are required to attach supporting data. IRS provided XML schemas that defined a format that must be used to report the supporting data. In certain instances, IRS allows some forms/schedules and supporting data to be attached to the electronic return as a PDF file, but only in situations where IRS has not defined a format in an XML schema. Most software vendors plan to allow EROs the ability to import/export data from other sources. EROs should discuss options for importing supporting data created in other formats into the tax preparation software. It is the responsibility of software vendors to provide appropriate instructions for taxpayers to enter supporting data that meets the IRS guidelines. The examples on the following pages will assist EROs in understanding how to prepare supporting data for electronic returns when required by form or form instructions. The examples below reflect many forms, but the same applies across all form types that can be electronically filed.

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**Example 1 – Supporting data required by IRS forms.**

IRS issued specific formats that software vendors must use for this type of supporting data. In the example below, taxpayers must include (either by entering or importing) data for the required "type" and "amount of income" as indicated in tax preparation software instructions.

Form **1120** Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

**U.S. Corporation Income Tax Return**

For calendar year 2004 or tax year beginning ....., 2004, ending ....., 20 ....
▶ See separate instructions.

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2004

A Check if:
1 Consolidated return (attach Form 851) ☐
2 Personal holding co. (attach Sch. PH) ☐
3 Personal service corp. (see instructions) ☐
4 Schedule M-3 required (attach Sch. M-3) ☐

Use IRS label. Otherwise, print or type.

Name

Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see page 9 of instructions.

City or town, state, and ZIP code

B Employer identification number

C Date incorporated

D Total assets (see page 8 of instructions) $

E Check if: (1) ☐ Initial return (2) ☐ Final return (3) ☐ Name change (4) ☐ Address change

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Income | 1a | Gross receipts or sales ____ b Less returns and allowances ____ c Bal ▶ | 1c | |
| | 2 | Cost of goods sold (Schedule A, line 8) | 2 | |
| | 3 | Gross profit. Subtract line 2 from line 1c | 3 | |
| | 4 | Dividends (Schedule C, line 19) | 4 | |
| | 5 | Interest | 5 | |
| | 6 | Gross rents | 6 | |
| | 7 | Gross royalties | 7 | |
| | 8 | Capital gain net income (attach Schedule D (Form 1120)) | 8 | |
| | 9 | Net gain or (loss) from Form 4797, Part II, line 17 (attach Form 4797) | 9 | |
| | 10 | Other income (see page 11 of instructions—attach schedule) | 10 | |
| | 11 | Total income. Add lines 3 through 10 ▶ | 11 | |

**From Instructions**
**Line 10 Other Income**
Enter any other taxable income not reported on lines 1 through 9. List The "**type**" and "**amount of Income**" on an attached schedule.

**Example 2** - **Supporting data required by IRS form instructions.**

In the example below, taxpayers must include (either by entering or importing) required data for “description of property” and “depreciation method” as indicated by tax preparation software instructions.

Form **4562**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Depreciation and Amortization**
**(Including Information on Listed Property)**

▶ See separate instructions. ▶ Attach to your tax return.

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2004
Attachment Sequence No. 67

Name(s) shown on return | Business or activity to which this form relates | Identifying number

**Part I** Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179
Note: *If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.*

**Part II** Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property.)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 14 | Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see page 3 of the instructions) | 14 | |
| 15 | Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election (see page 4 of the instructions) | 15 | |
| 16 | Other depreciation (including ACRS) (see page 4 of the instructions) | 16 | |

**Part III** MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See page 5 of the instructions.)

Section A

**Page 4, Form 4562 Instructions for line 15 states:**

Attach a separate sheet showing:

- A description of the property and the depreciation method you elect that excludes the property from MACRS or the Accelerated Cost Recovery System (ACRS) and

**Example 3 – Supporting data required as another IRS form**.

In the following example, form instructions require the taxpayer to attach another IRS form or statement as supporting data. Line 2(a) and 2(b) require supporting data to be provided using an IRS form; failure to use the required IRS form will cause electronic return to reject. Line 2(c) requires supporting data to be provided using an attached statement; taxpayers should always provide the supporting data.

Form **6198**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**At-Risk Limitations**

▶ Attach to your tax return.
▶ See separate instructions.

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**2004**

Attachment Sequence No. 31

Name(s) shown on return | Identifying number

Description of activity (see page 2 of the instructions)

**Part I** Current Year Profit (Loss) From the Activity, Including Prior Year Nondeductible Amounts (see page 2 of the instructions).

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Ordinary income (loss) from the activity (see page 2 of the instructions) | 1 | |
| 2 | Gain (loss) from the sale or other disposition of assets used in the activity (or of your interest in the activity) that you are reporting on: | | |
| a | Schedule D | 2a | |
| b | Form 4797 | 2b | |
| c | Other form or schedule | 2c | |

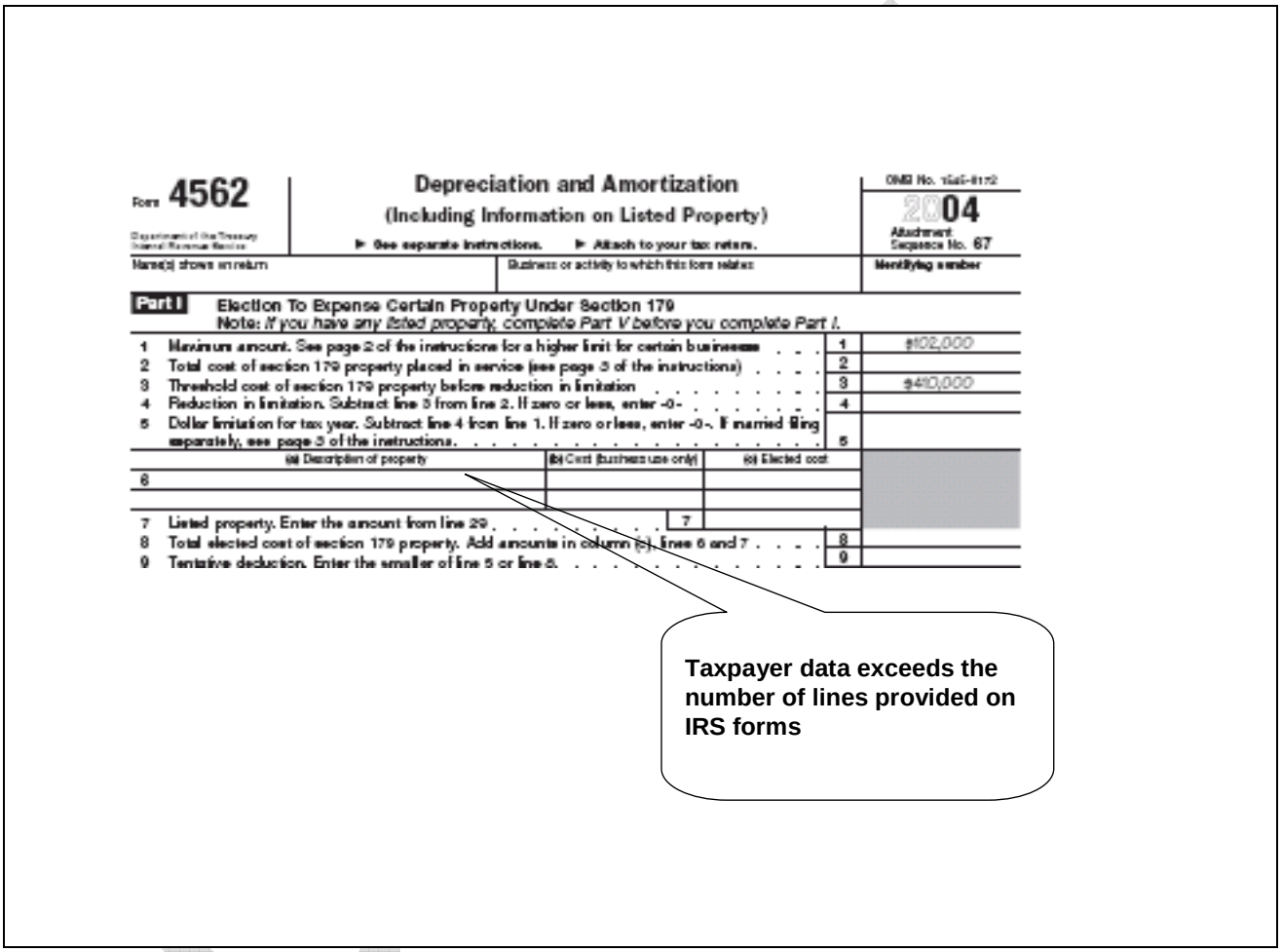
**Lines 2a, 2b, and 2c**

**Gain (Loss)**

Combine long- and short-term capital gains and losses and ordinary gains and losses from the sale or other disposition of assets used in the activity or of your interest in the activity. Enter gains and losses without regard to the at-risk limitations, the limitation on capital losses, or the passive activity loss limitations. If more than one item is included on a line, attach a statement describing each item.

**Example 4 – Supporting Data required for tables on IRS forms.**

When required data exceeds number of lines provided on IRS forms, tax preparation software may or may not allow the taxpayer to continue to enter all necessary data instead of creating an attachment. Check with your software vendor to see if their software will allow entering unlimited lines of data. When the electronic data is transmitted and processed the data will be displayed as “repeating data” by MeF systems.



Form **4562**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

**Depreciation and Amortization**
**(Including Information on Listed Property)**

▶ See separate instructions. ▶ Attach to your tax return.

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**2004**
Attachment Sequence No. 67

Name(s) shown on return | Business or activity to which this form relates | Identifying number

**Part I** Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179
Note: *If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.*

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Maximum amount. See page 2 of the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses | 1 | $102,000 |
| 2 | Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see page 3 of the instructions) | 2 | |
| 3 | Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation | 3 | $410,000 |
| 4 | Reduction in limitation. Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0- | 4 | |
| 5 | Dollar limitation for tax year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-. If married filing separately, see page 3 of the instructions | 5 | |

| | (a) Description of property | (b) Cost (business use only) | (c) Elected cost |
|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | | | |
| | | | |
| 7 | Listed property. Enter the amount from line 29 | 7 | |

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 8 | Total elected cost of section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7 | 8 | |
| 9 | Tentative deduction. Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8 | 9 | |

**Taxpayer data exceeds the number of lines provided on IRS forms**

## Creating Elections Required by Forms or Form Instructions

IRS reviewed all forms and form instructions to identify where taxpayers are required to attach supporting data and many of these requirements are elections. When the election is required by IRS forms or form instructions, IRS provided specific XML formats for each election that must be used by software vendors for developing tax preparation software approved for electronic filing. EROs must use the defined format to enter data for these elections. The examples below are samples of elections required by form instructions.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Form 1120 Instructions | Dual Consolidated Losses Statement | |
| Form 8697 Instructions | De Minimis Exception Election | |
| Form 4562 Instructions | Election Not to Claim Special Depreciation Allowance | |

## Creating Elections/Disclosure Statements Required by Regulations or Publications

MeF requires all disclosure statements and elections to be included in tax preparation software and transmitted to the IRS in one transmission file.

IRS did not review all Regulations and Publications to identify instances where corporations can make elections. Instead, IRS created a General Dependency schema that must be used to report most elections required by Regulations or Publications. IRS issued a defined format for the General Dependency schema and made it available to software developers to use when developing tax preparation software approved for electronic filing. EROs must use the General Dependency schema to report most disclosure statements and elections required by Regulations or IRS Publications. Tax preparation software approved for elections filing should provide instructions for taxpayers to complete the General Dependency schema. The General Dependency schema allows EROs to identify the disclosure statement/election using the following data elements:

1. Form Line or Instructions Reference (optional) - This field should be completed when the election is being made based on information on IRS forms or form instructions and IRS has not defined a format. Note: As discussed above, in most instances IRS has defined a format for these elections.
2. Regulation Reference (optional) - This field should be used to identify information for elections made based on information contained in Regulations or Publications.
3. Description (optional) - This field should be used to enter a brief explanation of the election
4. Attachment Information (optional) - This field allows EROs to include text data, up to 1,000,000 characters if the ERO chooses not to attach information in a PDF format i.e. Plans of Merger, Plans of Reorganization etc. EROs should use the Description field to make the election and tax preparation software will allow the ERO to reference the PDF attachment information.

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Note: IRS will allow all elections with “columnar data” to be attached in PDF format.

Below are examples EROs of how to create elections and/or disclosure statements using formats defined tax preparation software.

## Example 1 – Creating Elections that Do Not Contain Columnar Data

Election data that does not contain columnar data must be reported using the General Dependency schema included in tax preparation software.

| Regulation Reference | Description |
|---|---|
| IRC Section 172(b) (3) | Election to Forego Net Operating Loss Carryback |

Pursuant to IRC Sec. 172(b) (3), taxpayer hereby elects to relinquish the entire carryback period with respect to the net operating loss(es) incurred in this tax year ended

## Example 2 - Creating Elections That Apply to Multiple Subsidiaries

Election data that applies to multiple subsidiaries and do not contain columnar data must be reported using the General Dependency schema included in tax preparation software.

| Regulation Reference | Description |
|---|---|
| IRC Section 172(b) (3) | Election to Forego Net Operating Loss Carryback |

Pursuant to IRC Sec. 172(b)(3), taxpayer hereby elects to relinquish the entire carryback period with respect to the net operating loss(es) incurred in this tax year ended for the following subsidiaries

ABC Corporation
CDE Corporation
EFG Corporation

## Example 3 - Creating Elections that Contain Columnar Data

Elections that require columnar data may be attached to the electronic return in PDF format. Separate PDF files must be created for each election. Use the Regulation to create the name of the PDF file.

IRS Section 195(b) Election to Amortize Start-Up Expenditures

Taxpayer Name: ABC Corporation
Taxpayer ID Number: 10-0000002
Year-end: December 31, 2005

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In accordance with IRC Sec. 195, taxpayer hereby elects to amortize all start-up expenditures over a period of XX months beginning with July XX, 200X, the month that the corporation's active trade or business began (or was acquired).
The trade or business of the taxpayer to which this election relates is XXXXXX

The start-up expense incurred is:

| Description of Start-Up Expense | Date | Incurred Amount |
|---|---|---|
| | | |
| | | |

## Preparing Elections That Require Supporting Data

Some disclosure statements and/or elections require supporting data which cannot be entered into the General Dependency schema (i.e. Plans of Merger, Plans of Reorganization, meeting notes, etc). IRS allows this type of supporting data to be attached to the General Dependency schema as a PDF file. The actual disclosure statement and/or election must be entered into the required format and only the supporting data may be submitted as a PDF file.

Note: IRS Counsel reviewed Regulations to determine if the requirements to submit supporting data such as Plans of Merger could be modified. IRS Counsel will not change the requirement to gather the information but modified the Regulations and allow corporations to retain the data instead of attaching to the tax return and sending to IRS. IRS published the results to this review on http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=157721,00.html under e-file for Large and Mid-Size Businesses in early 2006.

IRS Eases Reporting Burden on Corporations and Shareholders (May 26, 2006)
The Internal Revenue Service has announced new regulatory revisions that will reduce the reporting burden on corporations and shareholders while also making it easier for them to file their tax returns electronically.

- Revenue Procedure 2006-21
- REG-134317-05
- TD 9264

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# Part VIII

# MeF Section

# For

# FORM 1120

# And

# FORM 1120S

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**General**

All corporations are encouraged to voluntarily file their corporate Forms 1120 and 1120-S income tax returns electronically. Temporary Treasury Regulation Section 301.6011-5T, issued January 11, 2005, requires corporations with assets of $50 million or more and file at least 250 returns a year to electronically file Forms 1120 and 1120-S for tax years ending on or after December 31, 2005.

The requirement will apply to corporations with assets of $10 million or more for tax years ending on or after December 31, 2006.

The determination of whether a corporation is required to file at least 250 returns is made by aggregating all returns, regardless of type, that the entity is required to file over the calendar year, including, for example, income tax returns, returns required under section 6033, information returns, excise tax returns, and employment tax returns.

IRS developed guidance which applies to all corporations required to e-file under the temporary regulations. This guidance is published in *Tax Year 2006 Directions for Corporations Required to e-file* and is intended to assist with their transition from preparing a paper return to electronic filing. ERO's with clients which are corporations required to e-file should review this document and other useful information, including Frequently Asked Questions available at http://www.irs.gov/ Simply click on the "e-file" logo and then click on "e-file for Large and Mid-size Corporations".

The following information will help determine how corporations must file electronically.

> **Corporations with assets under $10M** must use an *Authorized IRS e-file Provider* to file their corporate income tax return electronically.
>
> **Corporations with assets of $10M or more** may either use an IRS Authorized *e-file* Provider to electronically file their corporate income tax return or electronically file their own corporate income tax return.

## Forms Attached to 1120/1120-S with Separate Signatures

Many forms that may be attached to Form 1120 and 1120-S have separate signature lines. During the development of MeF IRS identified all of the forms with separate signature lines and requested IRS Counsel to issue special instructions to facilitate electronic filing. Regulation T.D. 9100 contains amendments to the Income Tax Regulations (26 CFR Part 1) and Procedure and Administration Regulations (26 CFR part 301) and eliminates some of regulatory requirements considered impediments to the electronic submission of tax returns and other forms filed by corporations, partnerships and other businesses with regard to third party signature requirements. These regulations impeded electronic filing by 1) requiring taxpayers to include third party signatures on their tax returns; 2) requiring taxpayers to attach documents or statements generated by third parties; or 3) requiring a taxpayer to sign an IRS form and file it as an attachment to their income tax return. T.D. 9100 eliminates the impediments for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2002. The regulations

generally affect taxpayers who are required to file any of the following forms: 926, 973, 982, 1120, 1120-S, 1122, 5471, 5712-A, 8832. See T.D 9100 for a complete list.

## Signing an Electronic Return

As with any corporate income tax return submitted to the IRS on paper, an electronic corporate income tax return must be signed by an authorized corporate officer and the paid preparer, if applicable. The corporation (taxpayer) must designate a principal of the firm responsible for signing the corporate income tax return following the procedures outlined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.6062-1. The corporate officer must sign and date the "Declaration of Taxpayer" (Form 8453-C or Form 8453-S).

**Corporation** - For all signature options, the corporate officer must sign and date the "Declaration of Taxpayer" to authorize the origination of the electronic submission of the return to the IRS prior to the transmission of the return to IRS. The Declaration of Taxpayer includes the taxpayer's declaration under penalties of perjury that the return is true, correct and complete, as well as the taxpayer's Consent to Disclosure. The Consent to Disclosure authorizes the IRS to disclose information to the taxpayer's Authorized IRS *e-file* Providers. Intermediate Service Providers, Transmitters and EROs are authorized by taxpayers to receive acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the electronic return from IRS.

If the electronic return data on a corporate income tax return is changed after the taxpayers signed the Declaration of Taxpayer, taxpayers must sign a new declaration if the "Total Income" amount differs by more than $150 or the "Taxable Income amount differs by more than "$100.

## Special Instructions When Copies of Original Forms are Required to be Filed Prior to Filing the Electronic Return

Special attention should be paid when instructions call for processing a form prior to filing the electronic return. For example instructions call for the Form 4466, Corporation Application for Quick Refund of Overpayment of Estimated Tax, should be filed prior to filing the return in order to receive a quick refund. When this occurs, the taxpayer should file the form with the appropriate Processing Center and a copy of the Form 4466 should be attached to the electronic return, but note that the electronic copy **will not** be processed. The copy attached to the electronic return will be used for information only.

There are other forms that may fall in this category. Special attention should be paid when instructions call for processing a form prior to filing the electronic return. MeF will keep copies of these forms for informational purposes only.

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## Special Instructions for Form 1120, Line 32f, Credits

If a taxpayer has a large credit that is not associated with a line number on Form 1120 and the Form 1120 instructions do not provide procedures for “writing in” the credit anywhere on the return; the credit type and amount should be provided using the “Other Refundable Credit” indicator element in the XML schema. (i.e. Form 1120, Section 33 credits that need to be included as part of TotalPayments (currently Line 32h) The large credit amount should then be included in the total on line 32h.

Additionally, if a taxpayer has one or more large credits, the “Other Refundable Credits Schedule” schema should be used to itemize the types of credits and credit amounts, and to provide a sum of the credit amounts itemized. The Regulation reference should also be included. The Other Refundable Credits Schedule should be attached to line 32f. The sum of the itemized large credits should be included in the total on line 32h.

## Special Instructions for Form 8838 When Filed With Form 1120

The signature on Form 1120 extends to all accompanying statements and schedules with the exception of Form 8838, *Consent to Extend the Time to Assess Tax Under Section 367 – Gain Recognition Agreement*. A signed copy of Form 8838 may be submitted as a PDF file attached to the electronic Form 1120/1120-S.

## Checksum for 1120 Filers

Tax prep software approved for electronic filing will compute a checksum value and embed the total in the submission file sent to IRS. The MeF system will also compute a checksum value of the submission file. The MeF system will add the following 4 new XML elements in the submission acknowledgement, regardless of whether the submission is accepted or rejected:

1. *<**EmbeddedC**RC32>*
2. *<**Computed**CRC32>*
3. *<TaxableIncome>*
4. *<TotalTax>*

The taxpayer/ERO should check the data in the <**Embedded**CRC32> element and the <**Computed**CRC32> element to ensure that the size of the file transmitted to the IRS is the same size as the file computed by the IRS. If there is a discrepancy between the two values, it is the responsibility of the ERO to contact the transmitter to see if the file was changed before transmission

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## Checksum for Other MeF Type Filers

The check sum for all other MeF Type filers is the same as stated above for the 1120 filers. The MeF system will add the same following 4 new XML elements in the submission acknowledgement, regardless of whether the submission is accepted or rejected, but the <TaxableIncome> and <TotalTax> values will default to zero.

1. *<**EmbeddedC**RC32>*
2. *<**Computed**CRC32>*
3. *<TaxableIncome>*
4. *<TotalTax>*

The taxpayer/ERO should check the data in the <**Embedded**CRC32> element and the <**Computed**CRC32> element to ensure that the size of the file transmitted to the IRS is the same size as the file computed by the IRS. If there is a discrepancy between the two values, it is the responsibility of the ERO to contact the transmitter to see if the file was changed before transmission

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## TY2006 - 1120/1120-S/1120POL Due Dates

| Tax Period Beginning & Ending Dates | Tax Period | Due Date (Weekends & Holidays Considered) # | 6 Month Extension Due Date (Weekends & Holidays Considered) | Tax Year of Return |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1/1/06—12/31/06 | 200612 | 3/15/07 | 9/17/07 | 2006 |
| 2/1/06—1/31/07 | 200701 | 4/17/07 | 10/15/07 | 2006 |
| 3/1/06—2/28/07 | 200702 | 5/15/07 | 11/15/07 | 2006 |
| 4/1/06—3/31/07 | 200703 | 6/15/07 | 12/17/07 | 2006 |
| 5/1/06—4/30/07 | 200704 | 7/16/07 | 1/15/08 | 2006 |
| 6/1/06—5/31/07 | 200705 | 8/15/07 | 2/15/08 | 2006 |
| 7/1/06—6/30/07 | 200706 | 9/17/07 | 3/17/08 | 2006 |
| 8/1/06—7/31/07 | 200707 | 10/15/07 | 4/15/08 | 2006 |
| 9/1/06—8/31/07 | 200708 | 11/15/07 | 5/15/08 | 2006 |
| 10/1/06—9/30/07 | 200709 | 12/17/07 | 6/16/08 | 2006 |
| 11/1/06—10/31/07 | 200710 | 1/15/08 | 7/15/08 | 2006 |
| 12/1/06—11/30/07 | 200711 | 2/15/08 | 8/15/08 | 2006 |

# Legal Due Date is the 15th of each month.

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## Tax Year 2004
## Accepted Forms and Schedules for Forms 1120/1120-S

Note: Form 7004 does not have any additional forms or schedules that can be attached.

The chart below identifies the 1120/1120-S forms and schedules that will be accepted for **Tax Year 2004** and the maximum number of forms that may be submitted with each return.

For forms marked with a single asterisk; the preparer can only attach one form to Form 1120 or 1120-S, and only one to each Form 8865. For example, Form 3468 can be attached to Form 1120 or Form 1120-S, and to each Form 8865. As a result, you can have multiple Forms 3468 attached to a return.

Schedule M-3 (Form 1120) is marked with the double asterisks because when filing Form 1120-S, if the corporation meets the criteria outlined in Revenue Procedure 2004-45, then the preparer can attach one Schedule M-3 (Form 1120) in lieu of Form 8886.

Forms marked with triple asterisks will not be accepted. On October 22, 2004, the President signed H.R. 4520, the "American Jobs Creation Act of 2004." This legislation repeals the extraterritorial income exclusion in current tax law; provides domestic manufacturing and other business tax relief, including energy-related tax credits; allows for itemized deduction of State and local sales taxes; provides for reform of tobacco subsidies; includes international tax reform and simplification provisions; and includes various revenue-raising provisions. Due to the extensive nature of the changes and timing of when the bill was signed, IRS plans are to restrict acceptance of the impacted forms until a later date. When these forms become accepted electronically by the MeF, notification will be published on the irs.gov website**.**

| Form | 1120 | 1120-S |
|---|---|---|
| Form 1120 | 1 | 0 |
| Schedule D (Form 1120) | 1 | 0 |
| Schedule H (Form 1120) | 1 | 0 |
| Schedule M-3 (Form 1120) | 1 | 1** |
| Schedule N (Form 1120) | 1 | 1 |
| Schedule PH (Form 1120) | 1 | 0 |
| Form 1120-S | 0 | 1 |
| Schedule D (Form 1120-S) | 0 | 1 |
| Schedule K-1 (Form 1120-S) | 0 | Unbounded |
| Form 851 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 926 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 970 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 972 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 973 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 982 | 1 | 1 |
| Schedule F (Form 1040)* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 1118 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule I (Form 1118) | Unbounded | Unbounded |

| Form | 1120 | 1120-S |
|---|---|---|
| Schedule J (Form 1118) | 1 | 1 |
| Form 1122 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 2220 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 2439 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 3115 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 3468* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 3800 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 4136 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 4255* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 4466 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 4562* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 4626 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 4684 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 4797* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 5452 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 5471 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule J (Form 5471) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule M (Form 5471) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule O (Form 5471) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 5472 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 5712-A | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 5713 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule A (Form 5713) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule B (Form 5713) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule C (Form 5713) | 1 | 1 |
| Form 5735 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Schedule P (Form 5735) | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 5884* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6198 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6252 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6478* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6765* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6781 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8050 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8082 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8271* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8275* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8275-R* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8283 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8586* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8594 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8609* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule A (Form 8609)* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8611 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8621 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8697 | Unbounded | Unbounded |

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| Form | 1120 | 1120-S |
|---|---|---|
| Form 8716 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8810 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8816 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 8820* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8824 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8825* | 0 | Unbounded |
| Form 8826* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8827 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8830* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8832 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 8833 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8834* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8835* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8838 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8844* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8845* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8846* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8847* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8858 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule M (Form 8858) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8860* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8861* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8864*** | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8865 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule K-1 (Form 8865) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule O (Form 8865) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule P (Form 8865) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8866 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8873 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8874* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8881* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8882* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8883 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8884* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8886 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8895*** | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8896*** | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form T (Timber)* | Unbounded | Unbounded |

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## Tax Year 2005
## Accepted Forms and Schedules for Forms 1120/1120-S

Note: Form 7004 does not have any additional forms or schedules that can be attached.

The chart below identifies the 1120/1120-S forms and schedules that will be accepted for Tax Year 2005 and the maximum number of forms that may be submitted with each return.

For forms marked with a single asterisk; the preparer can only attach one form to Form 1120 or 1120-S, and only one to each Form 8865. For example, Form 3468 can be attached to Form 1120 or Form 1120-S, and to each Form 8865. As a result, you can have multiple Forms 3468 attached to a return.

Schedule M-3 (Form 1120) is marked with the two asterisks because when filing Form 1120-S, if you meet the criteria outlined in Revenue Procedure 2004-45, you can attach one Schedule M-3 (Form 1120) in lieu of Form 8886.

| Form | 1120 | 1120-S |
|---|---|---|
| Form 1120 | 1 | 0 |
| Schedule D (Form 1120) | 1 | 0 |
| Schedule H (Form 1120) | 1 | 0 |
| Schedule M-3 (Form 1120) | 1 | 1** |
| Schedule N (Form 1120) | 1 | 1 |
| Schedule PH (Form 1120) | 1 | 0 |
| Form 1120L **PDF only** | | |
| Form 1120PC **PDF only** | | |
| Form 1120-S | 0 | 1 |
| Schedule D (Form 1120-S) | 0 | 1 |
| Schedule K-1 (Form 1120-S) | 0 | Unbounded |
| Form 1128 **PDF only** | | |
| Form 851 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 926 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 970 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 972 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 973 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 982 | 1 | 1 |
| Schedule F (Form 1040)* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 1118 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule I (Form 1118) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule J (Form 1118) | 1 | 1 |
| Form 1122 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 2220 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 2439 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 3115 | Unbounded | Unbounded |

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| Form | 1120 | 1120-S |
|---|---|---|
| Form 3468* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 3800 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 4136 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 4255* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 4466 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 4562* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 4626 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 4684 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 4797* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 5452 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 5471 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule J (Form 5471) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule M (Form 5471) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule O (Form 5471) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 5472 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 5712-A | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 5713 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule A (Form 5713) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule B (Form 5713) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule C (Form 5713) | 1 | 1 |
| Form 5735 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Schedule P (Form 5735) | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 5884* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 5884-A* **PDF only** | | |
| Form 6198 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6252 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6478* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6765* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6781 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8050 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8082 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8271* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8275* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8275-R* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8283 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8586* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8594 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8609-A (replaces Form 8609, and 8609 Schedule A )* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8611 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8621 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8697 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8716 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8810 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8816 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 8820* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8824 | Unbounded | Unbounded |

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| Form | 1120 | 1120-S |
|---|---|---|
| Form 8825* | 0 | Unbounded |
| Form 8826* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8827 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8830* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8832 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8833 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8834* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8835* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8838 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8844* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8845* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8846* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8847* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8858 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule M (Form 8858) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8860* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8861* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8864 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8865 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule K-1 (Form 8865) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule O (Form 8865) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule P (Form 8865) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8866 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8873 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8874* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8881* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8882* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8883 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8886 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8895 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8896 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8900 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8902 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 8903 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8906 **PDF only** | | |
| Form 8907 **PDF only** | | |
| Form 8908 **PDF only** | | |
| Form 8909 **PDF only** | | |
| Form 8910 **PDF only** | | |
| Form 8911 **PDF only** | | |
| Form 8912 **PDF only** | | |
| Form T (Timber)* | Unbounded | Unbounded |

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## Tax Year 2006
## Accepted Forms and Schedules for Forms 1120/1120-S

| Form | 1120 | 1120-S |
|---|---|---|
| Form 1120 | 1 | 0 |
| 1120-L | Unbounded | 0 |
| Schedule M-3 (Form 1120L) | 1 | 0 |
| 1120-PC | Unbounded | 0 |
| Schedule M-3 (Form 1120PC) | 1 | 0 |
| Schedule D (Form 1120) | 1 | 0 |
| Schedule H (Form 1120) | 1 | 0 |
| Schedule M-3 (Form 1120) | 1 | 0 |
| Schedule N (Form 1120) | 1 | 1 |
| Schedule O (Form 1120) | 1 | 0 |
| Schedule PH (Form 1120) | 1 | 0 |
| Form 1120-S | 0 | 1 |
| Schedule D (Form 1120-S) | 0 | 1 |
| Schedule K-1 (Form 1120-S) | 0 | Unbounded |
| Schedule M-3 (Form 1120-S) | 0 | 1 |
| Form 851 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 926 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 970 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 972 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 973 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 982 | 1 | 1 |
| Schedule F (Form 1040)* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 1118 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 1118 AMT | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule I (Form 1118) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule J (Form 1118) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 1122 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 1128 **PDF only** | | |
| Form 2220 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 2439 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 3115 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 3468* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 3800 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 4136 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 4255* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 4466 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 4562 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 4626 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 4684 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 4797 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 5452 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 5471 | Unbounded | Unbounded |

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| Form | 1120 | 1120-S |
|---|---|---|
| Schedule J (Form 5471) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule M (Form 5471) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule O (Form 5471) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 5472 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 5713 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule A (Form 5713) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule B (Form 5713) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule C (Form 5713) | 1 | 1 |
| Form 5735 **PDF only** | | |
| Form 5884* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 5884-A | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6198 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6252 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6478* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6765* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 6781 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8050 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8082 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8271 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8275 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8275-R | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8283 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8586* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8594 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8609-A | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8611 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8621 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8697 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8716 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8810 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8816 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 8820* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8824 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8825* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8826* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8827 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8832 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8833 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8834* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8835* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8838 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8844* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8845* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8846* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8847* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8858 | Unbounded | Unbounded |

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| Form | 1120 | 1120-S |
|---|---|---|
| Schedule M (Form 8858) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8860* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8861* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8864 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8865 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule K-1 (Form 8865) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule O (Form 8865) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Schedule P (Form 8865) | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8866 | 1 | 1 |
| Form 8873 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8874* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8881* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8882* | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8883 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8886*PDF accepted until xml schema available | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8896 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8900 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8902 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 8903 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8906 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8907 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8908 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8909 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8910 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8911 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8912 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8913 | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8916 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 8916-A | Unbounded | Unbounded |
| Form 8923 **PDF only** | | |
| Form T (Timber)* | Unbounded | Unbounded |

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# Part IX

# MeF Section

# For

# FORM 1065

# And

# FORM 1065-B

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## Tax Year 2006 Due Dates For 1065/1065/B

| Tax Period Beginning & Ending Dates | Tax Period | Earliest Date Return can be Filed | Due Date (Weekends & Holidays Considered) * | Extension Due Date (Weekends & Holidays Considered) | Tax Year of Return |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1/1/06 - 12/31/06 | 200612 | 1/1/2007 | 4/17/2007 | 10/17/2007 | 2006 |
| 2/1/06 – 1/31/07 | 200701 | 2/1/2007 | 5/16/2007 | 11/15/2007 | 2006 |
| 3/1/06 – 2/28/07 | 200702 | 3/1/2007 | 6/15/2007 | 12/15/2007 | 2006 |
| 4/1/06 – 3/31/07 | 200703 | 4/1/2007 | 7/15/2007 | 1/17/2008 | 2006 |
| 5/1/06 – 4/30/07 | 200704 | 5/1/2007 | 8/16/2007 | 2/15/2008 | 2006 |
| 6/1/06 - 5/31/07 | 200705 | 6/1/2007 | 9/15/2007 | 3/15/2008 | 2006 |
| 7/1/06 -6/30/07 | 200706 | 7/1/2007 | 10/17/2007 | 4/15/2008 | 2006 |
| 8/1/06 - 7/31/07 | 200707 | 8/1/2007 | 11/15/2007 | 5/15/2008 | 2006 |
| 9/1/06 - 8/31/07 | 200708 | 9/1/2007 | 12/15/2007 | 6/15/2008 | 2006 |
| 10/1/06 -9/30/07 | 200709 | 10/1/2007 | 1/17/2008 | 7/17/2008 | 2006 |
| 11/1/2006 - 10/31/07 | 200710 | 11/1/2007 | 2/15/2008 | 8/15/2008 | 2006 |
| 12/1/06 - 11/30/07 | 200711 | 12/1/2007 | 3/15/2008 | 9/15/2008 | 2006 |

* Legal Due Date is the 15th of each month.

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## Accepted Forms and Schedules for Forms 1065 and 1065-B

| Forms | Maximum Numbers |
|---|---|
| 1065 | 1 |
| 1065-B | 1 |
| Schedule D (Form 1065) | 1 |
| Schedule K-1 (Form 1065) | Unbounded |
| Schedule K-1 (Form 1065-B) | Unbounded |
| Form 8308 | Unbounded |
| Schedule M-3 (Forms 1065/1065-B) | Unbounded |
| Form 8916-A | 1 |
| Form 970 | Unbounded |
| Form 982 | 1 |
| Schedule F (Form 1040) | Unbounded |
| Form 3115 | Unbounded |
| Form 3468 | Unbounded |
| Form 4136 | 1 |
| Form 4255 | Unbounded |
| Form 4562 | Unbounded |
| Form 4684 | Unbounded |
| Form 4797 | Unbounded |
| Form 5471 | Unbounded |
| Schedule J (Form 5471) | Unbounded |
| Schedule M (Form 5471) | Unbounded |
| Schedule N (Form 5471) | Unbounded |
| Schedule O (Form 5471) | Unbounded |
| Form 5713 | Unbounded |
| Schedule A (Form 5713) | Unbounded |
| Schedule B (Form 5713) | Unbounded |
| Schedule C (Form 5713) | Unbounded |
| Form 5884 | Unbounded |
| Form 5884-A | Unbounded |
| Form 6252 | Unbounded |
| Form 6478 | Unbounded |
| Form 6765 | Unbounded |
| Form 6781 | 1 |
| Form 8082 | Unbounded |
| Form 8271 | Unbounded |
| Form 8275 | Unbounded |
| Form 8275-R | Unbounded |
| Form 8283 | Unbounded |
| Form 8586 | Unbounded |
| Form 8594 | Unbounded |
| Form 8609-A | Unbounded |
| Form 8611 | Unbounded |
| Form 8621 | Unbounded |

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|---|---|
| Form 8697 | Unbounded |
| Form 8716 | 1 |
| Form 8820 | Unbounded |
| Form 8824 | Unbounded |
| Form 8825 | Unbounded |
| Form 8826 | Unbounded |
| Form 8832 | Unbounded |
| Form 8834 | Unbounded |
| Form 8835 | Unbounded |
| Form 8844 | Unbounded |
| Form 8845 | Unbounded |
| Form 8846 | Unbounded |
| Form 8847 | Unbounded |
| Form 8858 | Unbounded |
| Schedule M (Form 8858) | Unbounded |
| Form 8860 | Unbounded |
| Form 8861 | Unbounded |
| Form 8864 | Unbounded |
| Form 8865 | Unbounded |
| Schedule K-1 (Form 8865) | Unbounded |
| Schedule O (Form 8865) | Unbounded |
| Schedule P (Form 8865) | Unbounded |
| Form 8866 | 1 |
| Form 8873 | Unbounded |
| Form 8874 | Unbounded |
| Form 8881 | Unbounded |
| Form 8882 | Unbounded |
| Form 8883 | Unbounded |
| Form 8886 **PDF only** **until the xml schema is available** | Unbounded |
| Form 8896 | Unbounded |
| Form 8900 | Unbounded |
| Form 8902 | Unbounded |
| Form 8903 | 1 |
| Form 8904 | Unbounded |
| Form 8906 | Unbounded |
| Form 8907 | Unbounded |
| Form 8908 | Unbounded |
| Form 8909 | Unbounded |
| Form 8910 | Unbounded |
| Form 8911 | Unbounded |
| Form 8912 | Unbounded |
| Form 8913 | Unbounded |
| Form T (Timber) | Unbounded |

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# Part X

# MeF Section

# For Form

# 990, 990EZ, 990PF,

# 1120POL, 8868

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## Extension Request for Forms 990, 990EZ, 990PF, 990T, 1041A, 4720, 5227

Form 8868, Application for Extension of Time to File an Exempt Organization Return, MeF will accept electronic filings of Form 8868 (Part I – Automatic Extension) for the following returns: Form 990, 990-EZ, 990-PF, 990-T (corporation), 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust), 990-T (trust other than above), 1041-A, 4720, and 5227. No signature is required as part of this filing. However, a payment record may be attached to this form, as appropriate, and if so, a signature is required for the Electronic Funds Withdrawal (EFW) authorization. A Practitioner Pin (using Form 8879-EO) or Form 8453-EO may be used for this authorization. Form 8453-EO is the only attachment/binary file that will be accepted. An extension will be rejected if it is not received by the IRS due date of the applicable return. (Note: For purposes of determining timeliness of the extension, the received date is the electronic postmark, if present, or the IRS received date in the GTX Key. To avoid rejecting extensions from filers or transmitters in a different time zone from the IRS' system, the time zone differences are taken into consideration.)

An accepted acknowledgement of the electronic Form 8868 serves as IRS approval of the extension.

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## Tax Year 2006 Due Dates For Forms 990, 990EZ, 990PF, 990T, 1041A, 4720, 5227

When the 15th of the month falls on a weekend or holiday, IRS considers the return timely filed if postmarked by the next business day. (Due Dates are always on the 15th of the month.)

| Tax Period Beginning & Ending Dates | Tax Period | Forms 990, 990-EZ, 990-PF, 990-T (trust other than above), 4720 & 990-T (corporation)<br><br>Timely Filed Due Date | Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)<br><br>Timely Filed Due Date | Forms 990, 990-EZ, 990-PF, 990-T (trust other than above) & 4720<br><br>3 Month Extension Due Date | Form 990-T (corporation)<br><br>6 Month Extension Due Date | Form 990-T (sec. 401(a) or 408(a) trust)<br><br>3 Month Extension Due Date | Tax Year of Return |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 01/01/06—12/31/06 | 200612 | 05/15/07 | 04/17/07 | 08/15/07 | 11/15/07 | 07/15/07 | 2006 |
| 02/01/06—01/31/07 | 200701 | 06/15/07 | 05/15/07 | 09/15/07 | 12/15/07 | 08/15/07 | 2006 |
| 03/01/06—02/28/07 | 200702 | 07/16/07 | 06/15/07 | 10/15/07 | 01/15/08 | 09/15/07 | 2006 |
| 04/01/06—03/31/07 | 200703 | 08/15/07 | 07/16/07 | 11/15/07 | 02/15/08 | 10/15/07 | 2006 |
| 05/01/06—04/30/07 | 200704 | 09/17/07 | 08/15/07 | 12/15/07 | 03/17/08 | 11/15/07 | 2006 |
| 06/01/06—05/31/07 | 200705 | 10/15/07 | 09/17/07 | 01/15/08 | 04/15/08 | 12/15/07 | 2006 |
| 07/01/06—06/30/07 | 200706 | 11/15/07 | 10/15/07 | 02/15/08 | 05/15/08 | 01/15/08 | 2006 |
| 08/01/06—07/31/07 | 200707 | 12/17/07 | 11/15/07 | 03/15/08 | 06/16/08 | 02/15/08 | 2006 |
| 09/01/06—08/31/07 | 200708 | 01/15/08 | 12/17/07 | 04/15/08 | 07/15/08 | 03/17/08 | 2006 |
| 10/01/06—09/30/07 | 200709 | 02/15/08 | 01/15/08 | 05/15/08 | 08/15/08 | 04/15/08 | 2006 |
| 12/01/06—12/30/07 | 200710 | 03/17/08 | 02/15/08 | 06/15/08 | 09/15/08 | 05/15/08 | 2006 |
| 12/01/06—11/30/07 | 200711 | 04/15/08 | 03/17/08 | 07/15/08 | 10/15/08 | 06/16/08 | 2006 |

Note: Forms 1041-A and 5227 are calendar year returns and are due on April 16. The extended due date will be July 16.

## Tax Year 2006 - Accepted Forms and Schedules for Exempt Organizations

The following chart identifies the forms and schedules accepted for Exempt Organizations and the maximum number that may be submitted with each return.

| Form | 990 | 990-EZ | 990-PF | 1120-POL | 8868 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Form 990/990-EZ, Schedule A | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Form 990/990-EZ/990-PF, Schedule B | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Form 1040, Schedule F | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 1120, Schedule D | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 926 | 1,000 | 1,000 | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 970 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Form 1118 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 1118, Schedule I | 0 | 0 | 0 | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 1118, Schedule J | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 2220 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Form 2439 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 3115 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Form 3468 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 3800 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 4136 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 4255 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 4466 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Form 4562 | 10,000 | 10,000 | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 4797 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 5471 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 5471, Schedule J | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 5471, Schedule M | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 5471, Schedule O | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 5884 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 5884A | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 6478 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 6765 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8271 | 1 | 1 | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8275 | 1 | 1 | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8275-R | 1 | 1 | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Form 8586 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8609, Schedule A | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 8697 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8621 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8820 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8826 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8824 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8825 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8830 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8833 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8834 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8835 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8844 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8845 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8846 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8847 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8858 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8858 Schedule M | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8860 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8861 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8864 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8865 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8865, Schedule K-1 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8865, Schedule O | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8865, Schedule P | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8874 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8881 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8882 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8883 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8884 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8886 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8896 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8900 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 |
| Form 8903 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Form 8906 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8907 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8908 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8910 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8911 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8912 | Unbounded | Unbounded | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |
| Form 8913 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Form T | 100 | 100 | Unbounded | 0 | 0 |

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# Part XI

# MeF Section

# For Form 7004

## Form 7004 Significant Changes

Form 1120-C extension type has been added to the Form 7004 for tax year 2006. See Form 7004 Instructions, What's New, for information regarding filing an extension for Form 990-C, Form 1120 (subchapter T cooperatives), and Form 1120-C.

The December 2006 revision of Form 7004 replaces the following extension forms:

- Form 2758, Application for Extension of Time to File Certain Excise, Income, Information, and Other Returns
- Form 7004, Application for Automatic 6-Month Extension of Time To File Certain Business Income Tax, Information, and Other Returns
- Form 8736, Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S. Return for a Partnership, REMIC, or for Certain Trusts
- Form 8800, Application for Additional Extension of Time to File U.S. Return for a Partnership, REMIC, or for Certain Trusts

## Form 7004 Application for Automatic 6-Month Extension of Time to File Certain Business Income Tax, Information, and Other Returns

In tax year 2005, IRS granted an automated 6-month extension for the following returns: Form 990-C, 1041, 1041-, 1041-QFT, 1042, 1065, 1065-B, 1066, 1120, 1120-A, 1120-C, 1120-F, 1120-FSC, 1120-H, 1120-L, 1120-ND, 1120-PC, 1120-POL, 1120-REIT, 1120-RIC, 1120-S, 1120 (subchapter T cooperative), 1120-SF, 3520-A, 8804, 706-GS(T). Extension type for Form 1120-C has been added to the Form 7004 for tax year 2006. See Form 7004 Instructions, What's New, for information regarding filing for an extension for Form 990-C, Form 1120 (subchapter T cooperatives), and Form 1120-C.

For these returns, the requirements for a signature and an explanation of the need for an extension of time to file has also been removed. No notification will be sent that an extension has been approved. Notification will only be sent if the request for an extension is not allowed.

Only one extension form will need to be filed on or before the due date of the appropriate form. A separate Form 7004 will need to be filed for each return. The extension will apply only to the specific return identified on the Form 7004. See the form instructions for specific information about consolidated group returns.

With the exception of the forms listed below in the Note, an extension request may be filed electronically for most returns on the Modernizied e-File system.

All the returns shown on Form 7004 are eligible for an automatic 6-month extension of time to file from the due date of the return. See the Form 7004 instructions for exceptions pertaining to foreign corporations with no office or place of business in the United States and for foreign and certain domestic corporations and for certain partnerships.

Generally, Form 7004 must be filed on or before the due date of the applicable tax return. The due dates of the returns can be found in the instructions for the applicable return; as well as the Due Date Chart for Form 7004 as referenced in this Publication.

The Form 7004 does not extend the time for payment of tax. Refer to the Form 7004 Instructions for additional information on payment of tax and balance due.

***Note: Form 7004 cannot be filed <u>electronically</u> for the following: Forms 8612, 8613, 8725, 8831, 8876, or 706-GS (D), instead a paper extension must be mailed to the IRS.***

## Tax Year 2006 Extension Due Dates For Specific Form Types

**Form 7004 - Tax Period 200612 only - Form 706-GS (T)**

| Form | Extension Due Date | Extended Return Due Date |
|---|---|---|
| 706-GS(T) | 04/17/07 | 10/15/07 |

Note: Form 706GS (T) return is due April 15th of the year following the calendar year in which the termination occurred.

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**Form 7004 - Tax Period 200612 only – Form 1042**

| Form | Extension Due Date | Extended Return Due Date |
|---|---|---|
| 1042 | 03/15/07 | 09/15/07 |

Note: Form 1042 return is due on or before March 15th of each year

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**Form 7004 Due Dates – Form 1120 series (not 1120-C), and Form 3520-A**

| Tax Period | Extension Due Date | Extension Due Date for Filing Under Reg Sec 1.6081-5 | Extended Return Due Date |
|---|---|---|---|
| 200612 | 03/15/07 | 06/15/07 | 09/17/07 |
| 200701 | 04/17/07 | 07/16/07 | 10/15/07 |
| 200702 | 05/15/07 | 08/15/07 | 11/15/07 |
| 200703 | 06/15/07 | 09/17/07 | 12/17/07 |
| 200704 | 07/16/07 | 10/15/07 | 01/15/08 |
| 200705 | 08/15/07 | 11/15/07 | 02/15/08 |
| 200706 | 09/17/07 | 12/17/07 | 03/17/08 |
| 200707 | 10/15/07 | 01/15/08 | 04/15/08 |
| 200708 | 11/15/07 | 02/15/08 | 05/15/08 |
| 200709 | 12/17/07 | 03/17/08 | 06/16/08 |
| 200710 | 01/15/08 | 04/15/08 | 07/15/08 |
| 200711 | 02/15/08 | 05/15/08 | 08/15/08 |

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**Form 7004 Due Dates - Form 990C, Form 1120 (subchapter T cooperative), and Form 1120-C**

| Tax Period | Extension Due Date (15th day of the 9th month following the end of the tax period) | Extended Return Due Date |
|---|---|---|
| 200612 | 09/17/07 | 03/17/08 |
| 200701 | 10/15/07 | 04/15/08 |
| 200702 | 11/15/07 | 05/15/08 |
| 200703 | 12/17/07 | 06/16/08 |
| 200704 | 01/15/08 | 07/15/08 |
| 200705 | 02/15/08 | 08/15/08 |
| 200706 | 03/17/08 | 09/15/08 |
| 200707 | 04/15/08 | 10/15/08 |
| 200708 | 05/15/08 | 11/17/08 |
| 200709 | 06/16/08 | 12/15/08 |
| 200710 | 07/15/08 | 01/15/09 |
| 200711 | 08/15/08 | 02/17/09 |

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**Form 7004 Due Dates - Forms 1041 (estate & trust), 1041-QFT, 1041-N, 1065, 1065-B, & 1066**

| Form | Extension Due Date | Extended Return Due Date |
|---|---|---|
| 200612 | 04/17/07 | 10/15/07 |
| 200701 | 05/15/07 | 11/15/07 |
| 200702 | 06/15/07 | 12/17/07 |
| 200703 | 07/16/07 | 01/15/08 |
| 200704 | 08/15/07 | 02/15/08 |
| 200705 | 09/17/07 | 03/17/08 |
| 200706 | 10/15/07 | 04/15/08 |
| 200707 | 11/15/07 | 05/15/08 |
| 200708 | 12/17/07 | 06/16/08 |
| 200709 | 01/15/08 | 07/15/08 |
| 200710 | 02/15/05 | 08/15/08 |
| 200711 | 03/17/08 | 09/15/08 |

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# Exhibits

**EXHIBIT 1**

## Business Name Controls

The following Business Name Control rules and examples are provided to assist you in the preparation of the corporation tax return.

If after reading this section you still cannot determine your business name control, you may contact the e-Help Desk at 1-866-255-0654.

Business Name Control General Information:

- The Name Control consists of up to four alpha and/or numeric characters; hypen and ampersand are allowable characters.
- The Name Control should be determined from the information specified on the first name line. Generally, the Name Control is derived from the first four characters of the corporation name.
- The ampersand (&) and hyphen (-) are the only special characters allowed in the Name Control.
- The Name Control can have less, but no more than four characters. Blanks may be present only at the end of the Name Control.
- Note: Do not include "dba" as part of the Name Control. The acronym stands for "doing business as'.

Business Name Control Valid Characters:

- Numeric (0- 9)
- Alpha (A-Z)
- Hyphen (-),
- Ampersand (&)

Business Name Control Special Rule:

- If an invalid character is used in the name line, drop the special character from the taxpayer's name. Example: 4U.com. The Name Control should be “4UCO”.

Examples:

| Name Control Underlined | Name Control | Rule |
|---|---|---|
| Sumac Field Plow Inc.<br>11TH Street Inc.<br>P & P Company<br>Y-Z Drive Co<br>ZZZ Club<br>Palm Catalpa Ltd.<br>Fir Homeowners Assn. | SUMA<br>11TH<br>P&PC<br>Y-ZD<br>ZZZC<br>PALM<br>FIRH | Derive the Name Control from the first four significant characters of the corporation name. |
| The Willow Co.<br>The Hawthorn | WILL<br>THEH | When determining a corporation name control, |

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|---|---|---|
| | | omit “The” when it is followed by more than one word. Include the word “The” when it is followed by only one word. |
| John Hackberry PA<br>Sam Sycamore SC<br>Carl Eucalyptus M.D.P.A. | John<br>SAMS<br>CARL | If a business name contains any of the following abbreviations, treat as the business name of a corporation:<br>PC – Professional Corporation<br>SC – Small Corporation<br>PA –Professional Association<br>PS --Professional Service |
| The Joseph Holly Fund<br>The Joseph Holly Foundation<br>Kathryn Fir Memorial Fdn. | JOSE<br>JOSE<br>KATH | Apply Name Control rules when the organization name contains “Fund”, “Foundation” or “Fdn”. |
| City of Fort Hickory Board<br>Walnut County Employees Association<br>Rho Alpha Chapter Alpha Tau Fraternity<br>House Assn. of Beta XI Chapter of Omicron Delta Kappa | CITY<br>WALN<br><br>RHOA<br><br>HOUS | Apply the Name Control rules to chapter names of national fraternal organizations. |

**EXHIBIT 2**

## Forms and Attachment Listing

**Click on this link to access Forms/Statements allowed as attachments to Form 1120/1120-S.**

http://www.irs.gov//taxpros/providers/article/0,,id=97626,00.html/

**EXHIBIT 3**

## Foreign Country Codes

This table provides acceptable foreign country codes. If a foreign country is not listed use “XX”.

| Country Code | Foreign Country |
|---|---|
| AA | Aruba |
| AC | Antigua & Barbuda |
| **AE** | **United Arab Emirates** |
| AF | Afghanistan |
| AG | Algeria |
| AJ | Azerbaijan |
| AL | Albania |
| AM | Armenia |
| AN | Andorra |
| AO | Angola |
| AR | Argentina |
| AS | Australia |
| AT | Ashmore & Cartier Is |
| AU | Austria |
| AV | Anguilla |
| AX | Akrotiri Base Area |
| AY | Antarctica |
| BA | Bahrain |
| BB | Barbados |
| BC | Botswana |
| BD | Bermuda |
| BE | Belgium |
| BF | The Bahamas |
| BG | Bangladesh |
| BH | Belize |
| BK | Bosnia-Herzegovina |
| BL | Bolivia |
| BM | Burma |
| BN | Benin |
| **BO** | **Belarus** |
| BP | Solomon Islands |
| BQ | Navassa Island |
| BR | Brazil |
| BS | Bassas da India |
| BT | Bhutan |
| BU | Bulgaria |
| BV | Bouvet Island |
| BX | Brunei |
| BY | Burundi |

| Country Code | Foreign Country |
|---|---|
| CA | Canada |
| CB | Cambodia |
| CD | Chad |
| CE | Sri Lanka |
| CF | Republic of Congo |
| CG | Dem Rep of Congo (Kinshasa) |
| CH | China |
| CI | Chile |
| CJ | Cayman Islands |
| CK | Cocos Island |
| CM | Cameroon |
| CN | Comoros |
| CO | Columbia |
| CR | Coral Sea Islands Territory |
| CS | Costa Rica |
| CT | Central African Republic |
| CU | Cuba |
| CV | Cape Verde |
| CW | Cook Islands |
| CY | Cyprus |
| DA | Denmark |
| DJ | Djibouti |
| DO | Dominica |
| DQ | Jarvis Island |
| DR | Dominican Republic |
| DX | Dhekelia Base Area |
| EC | Ecuador |
| EG | Egypt |
| EI | Ireland |
| EK | Equatorial Guinea |
| EN | Estonia |
| ER | Eritrea |
| ES | El Salvador |
| ET | Ethiopia |
| EU | Europa Island |
| EZ | Czech Republic |
| FG | French Guiana |
| FI | Finland |
| FJ | Fiji |
| FK | Falkland Islands |
| FO | Faroe Islands |
| FP | French Polynesia |
| FQ | Baker Island |
| FR | France |
| FS | Antarctic Lands |

| Country Code | Foreign Country |
|---|---|
| FS | Fr Southern & Antarctic Lands |
| GA | The Gambia |
| GB | Gabon |
| GG | Georgia |
| GH | Ghana |
| GI | Gibraltar |
| GJ | Grenada |
| GK | Guernsey |
| GL | Greenland |
| GM | Germany |
| GO | Glorioso Islands |
| GP | Guadeloupe |
| GR | Greece |
| GT | Guatemala |
| GV | Guinea |
| GY | Guyana |
| GZ | Gaza Strip |
| HA | Haiti |
| HK | Hong Kong |
| HM | Heard Island & McDonald Island |
| HO | Honduras |
| HQ | Howland Island |
| HR | Croatia |
| HU | Hungary |
| IC | Iceland |
| ID | Indonesia |
| IM | Isle of Man |
| IN | India |
| IO | British Indian Ocean Territory |
| IP | Clipperton Islands |
| IR | Iran |
| IS | Israel |
| IT | Italy |
| IV | Cote d'Ivoire |
| IZ | Iraq |
| JA | Japan |
| JE | Jersey |
| JM | Jamaica |
| JN | Jan Mayen |
| JO | Jordan |
| JQ | Johnston Atoll |
| JU | Juan de Nova Island |
| KE | Kenya |
| KG | Kyrgyzstan |
| KN | Dem People's Rep of Korea |

| Country Code | Foreign Country |
|---|---|
| KQ | Kingman Reef |
| KR | Kiribati |
| KS | Republic of Korea |
| KS | South Korea |
| KT | Christmas Island |
| KU | Kuwait |
| KZ | Kazakhstan |
| LA | Laos |
| LE | Lebanon |
| LG | Latvia |
| LH | Lithuania |
| LI | Liberia |
| LO | Slovakia |
| LQ | Palmyra Atoll |
| LS | Liechtenstein |
| LT | Lesotho |
| LU | Luxembourg |
| LY | Libya |
| MA | Madagascar |
| MB | Martinique |
| MC | Macau |
| MD | Moldova |
| MF | Mayotte |
| MG | Mongolia |
| MH | Montserrat |
| MI | Malawi |
| **MJ** | **Montenegro** |
| MK | Macedonia |
| ML | Mali |
| MN | Monaco |
| MO | Morocco |
| MP | Mauritius |
| MQ | Midway Islands |
| MR | Mauritania |
| MT | Malta |
| MU | Oman |
| MV | Maldives |
| MX | Mexico |
| MY | Malaysia |
| MZ | Mozambique |
| NC | New Caledonia |
| NE | Niue |
| NF | Norfolk Island |
| NG | Niger |
| NH | Vanuatu |

| Country Code | Foreign Country |
|---|---|
| NI | Nigeria |
| NL | The Netherlands |
| NO | Norway |
| NP | Nepal |
| NR | Nauru |
| NS | Suriname |
| NT | Netherlands Antilles |
| NU | Nicaragua |
| NZ | New Zealand |
| PA | Paraguay |
| PC | Pitcairn Islands |
| PE | Peru |
| PF | Paracel Islands |
| PG | Spratly Islands |
| PK | Pakistan |
| PL | Poland |
| PM | Panama |
| PO | Portugal |
| PP | Papua New Guinea |
| PU | Guinea-Bissau |
| QA | Qatar |
| **RB** | **Serbia** |
| RE | Reunion |
| RO | Romania |
| RP | Philippines |
| RS | Russia |
| RW | Rwanda |
| SA | Saudi Arabia |
| SB | St Pierre & Miquelon |
| SC | Nevis |
| SC | St Kitts & Nevis |
| SE | Seychelles |
| SF | South Africa |
| SG | Senegal |
| SH | St Helena |
| SI | Slovenia |
| SL | Sierra Leone |
| SM | San Marino |
| SN | Singapore |
| SO | Somalia |
| SP | Spain |
| ST | St Lucia |
| SU | Sudan |
| SV | Svalbard |
| SW | Sweden |

| Country Code | Foreign Country |
|---|---|
| SX | S Georgia Island & S Sandwich Island |
| SY | Syria |
| SZ | Switzerland |
| TD | Trinidad and Tobago |
| TE | Tromelin Island |
| TH | Thailand |
| TI | Tajikistan |
| TK | Caicos Islands |
| TK | Turks & Caicos Islands |
| TL | Tokelau |
| TN | Tonga |
| TO | Togo |
| TP | Sao Tome and Principe |
| TS | Tunisia |
| TT | East Timor |
| TU | Turkey |
| TV | Tuvalu |
| TW | Taiwan |
| TX | Turkmenistan |
| TZ | Tanzania |
| UG | Uganda |
| UK | United Kingdom |
| UP | Ukraine |
| UV | Burkina Faso |
| UY | Uruguay |
| UZ | Uzbekistan |
| VC | Grenadines |
| VC | St Vincent & Grenadines |
| VE | Venezuela |
| VI | British Virgin Islands |
| VM | Vietnam |
| VT | Vatican City |
| WA | Namibia |
| WE | West Bank |
| WF | Wallis and Futuna |
| WI | Western Sahara |
| WQ | Wake Island |
| WS | Western Samoa |
| WZ | Swaziland |
| XA | Ascension |
| XC | Channel Islands |
| XE | England |
| XI | Aland Island |
| XM | Myanmar |
| XN | Northern Ireland |

| Country Code | Foreign Country |
|---|---|
| XR | Slovak Republic |
| XS | Scotland |
| XT | Tristan Da Cunha |
| XW | Wales |
| XX | Other (country not identified elsewhere) |
| XY | Canary Islands |
| XZ | Azores |
| YI | Yugoslavia |
| YM | Yemen |
| ZA | Zambia |
| ZI | Zimbabwe |

**EXHIBIT 4**

## Standard Street Address Abbreviations

| Word | Abbreviation |
|---|---|
| Air Force Base | AFB |
| and | & |
| Alley | ALY |
| Annex | ANX |
| Avenue | AVE |
| Beach | BCH |
| Boulevard | BLVD |
| Branch | BR |
| Bridge | BRG |
| Brook | BRK |
| Building | BLDG |
| Bypass | BYP |
| Camp | CP |
| Care Of, or In Care Of | % |
| Center | CTR |
| Circle | CIR |
| Corner | COR |
| Corners | CORS |
| Court | CT |
| Courts | CTS |
| Creek | CRK |
| Crossing | XING |
| Drive | DR |
| East | E |
| Estates | EST |
| Extension | EXT |
| Expressway | EXPY |
| Falls | FLS |
| Forest | FRST |
| Fork | FRK |
| Forks | FRKS |
| Fort | FT |
| Freeway | FWY |
| Gardens | GDNS |
| General Delivery | GEN DEL |
| Grove | GRV |
| Harbor | HBR |
| Haven | HVN |
| Heights | HTS |
| Highway | HWY |

**EXHIBIT 4—Standard Street Address Abbreviations Continued**

| Word | Abbreviation |
|---|---|
| Highway Carrier | HC |
| Island | IS |
| Islands | ISS |
| Junction | JCT |
| Lake | LK |
| Lakes | LKS |
| Lane | LN |
| Lodge | LDG |
| Manor | MNR |
| Meadows | MDWS |
| Mount | MT |
| Mountain | MTN |
| North | N |
| Northeast | NE |
| Northwest | NW |
| One-fourth,* | 1/4 |
| One-Quarter* | |
| One-half* | 1/2 |
| (*All fractions-space after prior number-for example: 1012 1/2. St. ) | |
| Parkway | PKY |
| Place | PL |
| Plaza | PLZ |
| Point | PT |
| Port | PRT |
| P.O.-Box No. | PO BOX |
| River | RIV |
| Road | RD |
| Rural Route | RR |
| Shore | SHR |
| Shores | SHRS |
| South | S |
| Southeast | SE |
| Southwest | SW |
| Square | SQ |
| Station | STA |
| Street | ST |
| Summit | SMT |
| Terrace | TER |
| Trail | TRL |
| Trailer | TRLR |
| Turnpike | TPKE |

**EXHIBIT 4—Standard Street Address Abbreviations Continued**

| Word | Abbreviation |
|---|---|
| Union | UN |
| Valley | VLY |
| Village | VLG |
| Vista | VIS |
| West | W |

**Note:** Plurals for street, road, avenue, etc. should be abbreviated by adding “s” to the abbreviation. For example; STS, RDS, AVES, etc.

**EXHIBIT 5**

## Valid ZIP Codes

### STANDARD POSTAL SERVICE STATE ABBREVIATIONS AND ZIP CODES

| State | Abbr. | ZIP Code |
|---|---|---|
| Alabama | AL | 350nn-369nn |
| Alaska | AK | 995nn-999nn |
| Arizona | AZ | 850nn, 852nn-853nn, 855nn-857nn,859nn-860nn,863nn-865nn |
| Arkansas | AR | 716nn-729nn |
| California | CA | 900nn-908nn, 910nn-928nn, 930nn-961nn |
| Colorado | CO | 800nn-816nn |
| Connecticut | CT | 060nn-069nn |
| Delaware | DE | 197nn-199nn |
| District of Columbia | DC | 200nn, 202nn-205nn, 569nn |
| Florida | FL | 320nn-339nn, 341nn-342nn, 344nn, 346nn-347nn, 349nn |
| Georgia | GA | 300nn-319nn, 39815, 399nn |
| Hawaii | HI | 967nn, 968nn |
| Idaho | ID | 832nn-838nn |
| Illinois | IL | 600nn-620nn, 622nn-629nn |
| Indiana | IN | 460nn-479nn |
| Iowa | IA | 500nn-516nn, 520nn-528nn |
| Kansas | KS | 660nn-662nn, 664nn,679nn |
| Kentucky | KY | 400nn-427nn |
| Louisiana | LA | 700nn-701nn, 703nn-708nn, 710nn-714nn |
| Maine | ME | 039nn-049nn |
| Maryland | MD | 206nn-212nn, 214nn-219nn |
| Massachusetts | MA | 010nn-027nn, 055nn |
| Michigan | MI | 480nn-499nn |
| Minnesota | MN | 550nn-551nn, 553nn-567nn |
| Mississippi | MS | 386nn-397nn |
| Missouri | MO | 630nn-631nn, 633nn-641nn, 644nn-658nn |
| Montana | MT | 590nn-599nn |
| Nebraska | NE | 680nn-681nn, 683nn-693nn |
| Nevada | NV | 889nn-891nn, 893nn-895nn, 897nn-898nn |
| New Hampshire | NH | 030nn-038nn |
| New Jersey | NJ | 070nn-089nn |
| New Mexico | NM | 870nn-871nn, 873nn-875nn, 877nn-884nn |
| New York | NY | 005nn, 063nn, 100nn-149nn |
| North Carolina | NC | 270nn-289nn |
| North Dakota | ND | 580nn-588nn |
| Ohio | OH | 430nn-459nn |
| Oklahoma | OK | 730nn-731nn, 734nn-741nn, 743nn-749nn |

**EXHIBIT 5 - Valid ZIP Codes Continued**

| State | Abbr. | ZIP Code |
|---|---|---|
| Oregon | OR | 970nn-979nn |
| Pennsylvania | PA | 150nn-196nn |
| Rhode Island | RI | 028nn, 029nn |
| South Carolina | SC | 290nn-299nn |
| South Dakota | SD | 570nn-577nn |
| Tennessee | TN | 370nn-385nn |
| Texas | TX | 733nn, 750nn-770nn, 772nn-799nn |
| Utah | UT | 840nn-847nn |
| Vermont | VT | 050nn-054nn, 056nn-059nn |
| Virginia | VA | 201nn, 220nn-246nn |
| Washington | WA | 980nn-986nn, 988nn-994nn |
| West Virginia | WV | 247nn-268nn |
| Wisconsin | WI | 530nn-532nn, 534nn-535nn, 537nn-549nn |
| Wyoming | WY | 820nn-831nn, 834nn |

**STANDARD POSTAL SERVICE STATE ABBREVIATIONS AND ZIP CODES FOR U.S.POSSESSIONS**

| U.S. Possession | Abbr. | ZIP Code |
|---|---|---|
| American Samoa | AS | 96799 |
| Federated States of Micronesia | FM | 969nn |
| Guam | GU | 9691n |
| Marshall Islands | MH | 969nn |
| Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands | MP | 969nn |
| Palau | PW | 969nn |
| Puerto Rico | PR | 006nn, 007nn, 009nn |
| U.S. Virgin Islands | VI | 008nn |

Corporate and Exempt Organization returns with addresses in the American Possessions are considered to have domestic addresses for processing purposes. The return **filer** address must contain a state abbreviation to be treated as an American Possession.

## APO/FPO CITY/STATE/ZIP CODES FOR MILITARY OVERSEAS ADDRESSES

| City | State | ZIP Code |
|---|---|---|
| APO or FPO | AA | 340nn |
| APO or FPO | AE | 090nn-098nn |
| APO or FPO | AP | 962nn-966nn |

**EXHIBIT 6**

## North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) (Codes for Principal Business Activity) for use when filing Form 1120/1120A

### Forms 1120 and 1120-A

#### Principal Business Activity Codes

This list of principal business activities and their associated codes is designed to classify an enterprise by the type of activity in which it is engaged to facilitate the administration of the Internal Revenue Code. These principal business activity codes are based on the North American Industry Classification System.

Using the list of activities and codes below, determine from which activity the company derives the largest percentage of its "total receipts." Total receipts is defined as the sum of gross receipts or sales (page 1, line 1a) plus all other income (page 1, lines 4 through 10). If the company purchases raw materials and supplies them to a subcontractor to produce the finished product, but retains title to the product, the company is considered a manufacturer and must use one of the manufacturing codes (311110-339900).

Once the principal business activity is determined, entries must be made on Form 1120, Schedule K, lines 2a, 2b, and 2c, or on Form 1120-A, Part II, lines 1a, 1b, and 1c. For the business activity code number, enter the six digit code selected from the list below. On the next line (Form 1120, Schedule K, line 2b, or Form 1120-A, Part II, line 1b), enter a brief description of the company's business activity. Finally, enter a description of the principal product or service of the company on Form 1120, Schedule K, line 2c, or Form 1120-A, Part II, line 1c.

Code

#### Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting

**Crop Production**

111100 Oilseed & Grain Farming
111210 Vegetable & Melon Farming (including potatoes & yams)
111300 Fruit & Tree Nut Farming
111400 Greenhouse, Nursery, & Floriculture Production
111900 Other Crop Farming (including tobacco, cotton, sugarcane, hay, peanut, sugar beet & all other crop farming)

**Animal Production**

112111 Beef Cattle Ranching & Farming
112112 Cattle Feedlots
112120 Dairy Cattle & Milk Production
112210 Hog & Pig Farming
112300 Poultry & Egg Production
112400 Sheep & Goat Farming
112510 Animal Aquaculture (including shellfish & finfish farms & hatcheries)
112900 Other Animal Production

**Forestry and Logging**

113110 Timber Tract Operations
113210 Forest Nurseries & Gathering of Forest Products
113310 Logging

**Fishing, Hunting and Trapping**

114110 Fishing
114210 Hunting & Trapping

**Support Activities for Agriculture and Forestry**

115110 Support Activities for Crop Production (including cotton ginning, soil preparation, planting, & cultivating)
115210 Support Activities for Animal Production
115310 Support Activities For Forestry

#### Mining

211110 Oil & Gas Extraction
212110 Coal Mining
212200 Metal Ore Mining
212310 Stone Mining & Quarrying
212320 Sand, Gravel, Clay, & Ceramic & Refractory Minerals Mining & Quarrying
212390 Other Nonmetallic Mineral Mining & Quarrying
213110 Support Activities for Mining

#### Utilities

221100 Electric Power Generation, Transmission & Distribution
221210 Natural Gas Distribution
221300 Water, Sewage & Other Systems
221500 Combination Gas & Electric

#### Construction

**Construction of Buildings**

236110 Residential Building Construction
236200 Nonresidential Building Construction

Code

**Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction**

237100 Utility System Construction
237210 Land Subdivision
237310 Highway, Street, & Bridge Construction
237990 Other Heavy & Civil Engineering Construction

**Specialty Trade Contractors**

238100 Foundation, Structure, & Building Exterior Contractors (including framing carpentry, masonry, glass, roofing, & siding)
238210 Electrical Contractors
238220 Plumbing, Heating, & Air-Conditioning Contractors
238290 Other Building Equipment Contractors
238300 Building Finishing Contractors (including drywall, insulation, painting, wallcovering, flooring, tile, & finish carpentry)
238900 Other Specialty Trade Contractors (including site preparation)

#### Manufacturing

**Food Manufacturing**

311110 Animal Food Mfg
311200 Grain & Oilseed Milling
311300 Sugar & Confectionery Product Mfg
311400 Fruit & Vegetable Preserving & Specialty Food Mfg
311500 Dairy Product Mfg
311610 Animal Slaughtering and Processing
311710 Seafood Product Preparation & Packaging
311800 Bakeries & Tortilla Mfg
311900 Other Food Mfg (including coffee, tea, flavorings & seasonings)

**Beverage and Tobacco Product Manufacturing**

312110 Soft Drink & Ice Mfg
312120 Breweries
312130 Wineries
312140 Distilleries
312200 Tobacco Manufacturing

**Textile Mills and Textile Product Mills**

313000 Textile Mills
314000 Textile Product Mills

**Apparel Manufacturing**

315100 Apparel Knitting Mills
315210 Cut & Sew Apparel Contractors
315220 Men's & Boys' Cut & Sew Apparel Mfg
315230 Women's & Girls' Cut & Sew Apparel Mfg
315290 Other Cut & Sew Apparel Mfg
315990 Apparel Accessories & Other Apparel Mfg

**Leather and Allied Product Manufacturing**

316110 Leather & Hide Tanning & Finishing
316210 Footwear Mfg (including rubber & plastics)
316990 Other Leather & Allied Product Mfg

Code

**Wood Product Manufacturing**

321110 Sawmills & Wood Preservation
321210 Veneer, Plywood, & Engineered Wood Product Mfg
321900 Other Wood Product Mfg

**Paper Manufacturing**

322100 Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills
322200 Converted Paper Product Mfg

**Printing and Related Support Activities**

323100 Printing & Related Support Activities

**Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing**

324110 Petroleum Refineries (including integrated)
324120 Asphalt Paving, Roofing, & Saturated Materials Mfg
324190 Other Petroleum & Coal Products Mfg

**Chemical Manufacturing**

325100 Basic Chemical Mfg
325200 Resin, Synthetic Rubber, & Artificial & Synthetic Fibers & Filaments Mfg
325300 Pesticide, Fertilizer, & Other Agricultural Chemical Mfg
325410 Pharmaceutical & Medicine Mfg
325500 Paint, Coating, & Adhesive Mfg
325600 Soap, Cleaning Compound, & Toilet Preparation Mfg
325900 Other Chemical Product & Preparation Mfg

**Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing**

326100 Plastics Product Mfg
326200 Rubber Product Mfg

**Nonmetallic Mineral Product Manufacturing**

327100 Clay Product & Refractory Mfg
327210 Glass & Glass Product Mfg
327300 Cement & Concrete Product Mfg
327400 Lime & Gypsum Product Mfg
327900 Other Nonmetallic Mineral Product Mfg

**Primary Metal Manufacturing**

331110 Iron & Steel Mills & Ferroalloy Mfg
331200 Steel Product Mfg from Purchased Steel
331310 Alumina & Aluminum Production & Processing
331400 Nonferrous Metal (except Aluminum) Production & Processing
331500 Foundries

**Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing**

332110 Forging & Stamping
332210 Cutlery & Handtool Mfg
332300 Architectural & Structural Metals Mfg
332400 Boiler, Tank, & Shipping Container Mfg
332510 Hardware Mfg
332610 Spring & Wire Product Mfg
332700 Machine Shops; Turned Product; & Screw, Nut, & Bolt Mfg

Code

332810 Coating, Engraving, Heat Treating, & Allied Activities
332900 Other Fabricated Metal Product Mfg

**Machinery Manufacturing**

333100 Agriculture, Construction, & Mining Machinery Mfg
333200 Industrial Machinery Mfg
333310 Commercial & Service Industry Machinery Mfg
333410 Ventilation, Heating, Air-Conditioning, & Commercial Refrigeration Equipment Mfg
333510 Metalworking Machinery Mfg
333610 Engine, Turbine & Power Transmission Equipment Mfg
333900 Other General Purpose Machinery Mfg

**Computer and Electronic Product Manufacturing**

334110 Computer & Peripheral Equipment Mfg
334200 Communications Equipment Mfg
334310 Audio & Video Equipment Mfg
334410 Semiconductor & Other Electronic Component Mfg
334500 Navigational, Measuring, Electromedical, & Control Instruments Mfg
334610 Manufacturing & Reproducing Magnetic & Optical Media

**Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component Manufacturing**

335100 Electric Lighting Equipment Mfg
335200 Household Appliance Mfg
335310 Electrical Equipment Mfg
335900 Other Electrical Equipment & Component Mfg

**Transportation Equipment Manufacturing**

336100 Motor Vehicle Mfg
336210 Motor Vehicle Body & Trailer Mfg
336300 Motor Vehicle Parts Mfg
336410 Aerospace Product & Parts Mfg
336510 Railroad Rolling Stock Mfg
336610 Ship & Boat Building
336990 Other Transportation Equipment Mfg

**Furniture and Related Product Manufacturing**

337000 Furniture & Related Product Manufacturing

**Miscellaneous Manufacturing**

339110 Medical Equipment & Supplies Mfg
339900 Other Miscellaneous Manufacturing

#### Wholesale Trade

**Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods**

423100 Motor Vehicle & Motor Vehicle Parts & Supplies
423200 Furniture & Home Furnishings
423300 Lumber & Other Construction Materials
423400 Professional & Commercial Equipment & Supplies

| Code | |
|---|---|
| 423500 | Metal & Mineral (except Petroleum) |
| 423600 | Electrical & Electronic Goods |
| 423700 | Hardware, & Plumbing & Heating Equipment & Supplies |
| 423800 | Machinery, Equipment, & Supplies |
| 423910 | Sporting & Recreational Goods & Supplies |
| 423920 | Toy & Hobby Goods & Supplies |
| 423930 | Recyclable Materials |
| 423940 | Jewelry, Watch, Precious Stone, & Precious Metals |
| 423990 | Other Miscellaneous Durable Goods |
| **Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods** | |
| 424100 | Paper & Paper Products |
| 424210 | Drugs & Druggists' Sundries |
| 424300 | Apparel, Piece Goods, & Notions |
| 424400 | Grocery & Related Products |
| 424500 | Farm Product Raw Materials |
| 424600 | Chemical & Allied Products |
| 424700 | Petroleum & Petroleum Products |
| 424800 | Beer, Wine, & Distilled Alcoholic Beverages |
| 424910 | Farm Supplies |
| 424920 | Book, Periodical, & Newspapers |
| 424930 | Flower, Nursery Stock, & Florists' Supplies |
| 424940 | Tobacco & Tobacco Products |
| 424950 | Paint, Varnish, & Supplies |
| 424990 | Other Miscellaneous Nondurable Goods |
| **Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers** | |
| 425110 | Business to Business Electronic Markets |
| 425120 | Wholesale Trade Agents & Brokers |

## Retail Trade

| | |
|---|---|
| **Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers** | |
| 441110 | New Car Dealers |
| 441120 | Used Car Dealers |
| 441210 | Recreational Vehicle Dealers |
| 441221 | Motorcycle Dealers |
| 441222 | Boat Dealers |
| 441229 | All Other Motor Vehicle Dealers |
| 441300 | Automotive Parts, Accessories, & Tire Stores |
| **Furniture and Home Furnishings Stores** | |
| 442110 | Furniture Stores |
| 442210 | Floor Covering Stores |
| 442291 | Window Treatment Stores |
| 442299 | All Other Home Furnishings Stores |
| **Electronics and Appliance Stores** | |
| 443111 | Household Appliance Stores |
| 443112 | Radio, Television, & Other Electronics Stores |
| 443120 | Computer & Software Stores |
| 443130 | Camera & Photographic Supplies Stores |
| **Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies Dealers** | |
| 444110 | Home Centers |
| 444120 | Paint & Wallpaper Stores |
| 444130 | Hardware Stores |
| 444190 | Other Building Material Dealers |
| 444200 | Lawn & Garden Equipment & Supplies Stores |
| **Food and Beverage Stores** | |
| 445110 | Supermarkets and Other Grocery (except Convenience) Stores |

| Code | |
|---|---|
| 445120 | Convenience Stores |
| 445210 | Meat Markets |
| 445220 | Fish & Seafood Markets |
| 445230 | Fruit & Vegetable Markets |
| 445291 | Baked Goods Stores |
| 445292 | Confectionery & Nut Stores |
| 445299 | All Other Specialty Food Stores |
| 445310 | Beer, Wine, & Liquor Stores |
| **Health and Personal Care Stores** | |
| 446110 | Pharmacies & Drug Stores |
| 446120 | Cosmetics, Beauty Supplies, & Perfume Stores |
| 446130 | Optical Goods Stores |
| 446190 | Other Health & Personal Care Stores |
| **Gasoline Stations** | |
| 447100 | Gasoline Stations (including convenience stores with gas) |
| **Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores** | |
| 448110 | Men's Clothing Stores |
| 448120 | Women's Clothing Stores |
| 448130 | Children's & Infants' Clothing Stores |
| 448140 | Family Clothing Stores |
| 448150 | Clothing Accessories Stores |
| 448190 | Other Clothing Stores |
| 448210 | Shoe Stores |
| 448310 | Jewelry Stores |
| 448320 | Luggage & Leather Goods Stores |
| **Sporting Goods, Hobby, Book, and Music Stores** | |
| 451110 | Sporting Goods Stores |
| 451120 | Hobby, Toy, & Game Stores |
| 451130 | Sewing, Needlework, & Piece Goods Stores |
| 451140 | Musical Instrument & Supplies Stores |
| 451211 | Book Stores |
| 451212 | News Dealers & Newsstands |
| 451220 | Prerecorded Tape, Compact Disc, & Record Stores |
| **General Merchandise Stores** | |
| 452110 | Department Stores |
| 452900 | Other General Merchandise Stores |
| **Miscellaneous Store Retailers** | |
| 453110 | Florists |
| 453210 | Office Supplies & Stationery Stores |
| 453220 | Gift, Novelty, & Souvenir Stores |
| 453310 | Used Merchandise Stores |
| 453910 | Pet & Pet Supplies Stores |
| 453920 | Art Dealers |
| 453930 | Manufactured (Mobile) Home Dealers |
| 453990 | All Other Miscellaneous Store Retailers (including tobacco, candle, & trophy shops) |
| **Nonstore Retailers** | |
| 454110 | Electronic Shopping & Mail-Order Houses |
| 454210 | Vending Machine Operators |
| 454311 | Heating Oil Dealers |
| 454312 | Liquefied Petroleum Gas (Bottled Gas) Dealers |
| 454319 | Other Fuel Dealers |
| 454390 | Other Direct Selling Establishments (including door-to-door retailing, frozen food plan providers, party plan merchandisers, & coffee-break service providers) |

## Transportation and Warehousing

| | |
|---|---|
| **Air, Rail, and Water Transportation** | |
| 481000 | Air Transportation |
| 482110 | Rail Transportation |
| 483000 | Water Transportation |

| Code | |
|---|---|
| **Truck Transportation** | |
| 484110 | General Freight Trucking, Local |
| 484120 | General Freight Trucking, Long-distance |
| 484200 | Specialized Freight Trucking |
| **Transit and Ground Passenger Transportation** | |
| 485110 | Urban Transit Systems |
| 485210 | Interurban & Rural Bus Transportation |
| 485310 | Taxi Service |
| 485320 | Limousine Service |
| 485410 | School & Employee Bus Transportation |
| 485510 | Charter Bus Industry |
| 485990 | Other Transit & Ground Passenger Transportation |
| **Pipeline Transportation** | |
| 486000 | Pipeline Transportation |
| **Scenic & Sightseeing Transportation** | |
| 487000 | Scenic & Sightseeing Transportation |
| **Support Activities for Transportation** | |
| 488100 | Support Activities for Air Transportation |
| 488210 | Support Activities for Rail Transportation |
| 488300 | Support Activities for Water Transportation |
| 488410 | Motor Vehicle Towing |
| 488490 | Other Support Activities for Road Transportation |
| 488510 | Freight Transportation Arrangement |
| 488990 | Other Support Activities for Transportation |
| **Couriers and Messengers** | |
| 492110 | Couriers |
| 492210 | Local Messengers & Local Delivery |
| **Warehousing and Storage** | |
| 493100 | Warehousing & Storage (except lessors of miniwarehouses & self-storage units) |

## Information

| | |
|---|---|
| **Publishing Industries (except Internet)** | |
| 511110 | Newspaper Publishers |
| 511120 | Periodical Publishers |
| 511130 | Book Publishers |
| 511140 | Directory & Mailing List Publishers |
| 511190 | Other Publishers |
| 511210 | Software Publishers |
| **Motion Picture and Sound Recording Industries** | |
| 512100 | Motion Picture & Video Industries (except video rental) |
| 512200 | Sound Recording Industries |
| **Broadcasting (except Internet)** | |
| 515100 | Radio & Television Broadcasting |
| 515210 | Cable & Other Subscription Programming |
| **Internet Publishing and Broadcasting** | |
| 516110 | Internet Publishing & Broadcasting |
| **Telecommunications** | |
| 517000 | Telecommunications (including paging, cellular, satellite, cable & other program distribution, resellers, & other telecommunications) |
| **Internet Service Providers, Web Search Portals, and Data Processing Services** | |
| 518111 | Internet Service Providers |
| 518112 | Web Search Portals |

| Code | |
|---|---|
| 518210 | Data Processing, Hosting, & Related Services |
| **Other Information Services** | |
| 519100 | Other Information Services (including news syndicates & libraries) |

## Finance and Insurance

| | |
|---|---|
| **Depository Credit Intermediation** | |
| 522110 | Commercial Banking |
| 522120 | Savings Institutions |
| 522130 | Credit Unions |
| 522190 | Other Depository Credit Intermediation |
| **Nondepository Credit Intermediation** | |
| 522210 | Credit Card Issuing |
| 522220 | Sales Financing |
| 522291 | Consumer Lending |
| 522292 | Real Estate Credit (including mortgage bankers & originators) |
| 522293 | International Trade Financing |
| 522294 | Secondary Market Financing |
| 522298 | All Other Nondepository Credit Intermediation |
| **Activities Related to Credit Intermediation** | |
| 522300 | Activities Related to Credit Intermediation (including loan brokers, check clearing, & money transmitting) |
| **Securities, Commodity Contracts, and Other Financial Investments and Related Activities** | |
| 523110 | Investment Banking & Securities Dealing |
| 523120 | Securities Brokerage |
| 523130 | Commodity Contracts Dealing |
| 523140 | Commodity Contracts Brokerage |
| 523210 | Securities & Commodity Exchanges |
| 523900 | Other Financial Investment Activities (including portfolio management & investment advice) |
| **Insurance Carriers and Related Activities** | |
| 524140 | Direct Life, Health, & Medical Insurance & Reinsurance Carriers |
| 524150 | Direct Insurance & Reinsurance (except Life, Health & Medical) Carriers |
| 524210 | Insurance Agencies & Brokerages |
| 524290 | Other Insurance Related Activities (including third-party administration of insurance and pension funds) |
| **Funds, Trusts, and Other Financial Vehicles** | |
| 525100 | Insurance & Employee Benefit Funds |
| 525910 | Open-End Investment Funds (Form 1120-RIC) |
| 525920 | Trusts, Estates, & Agency Accounts |
| 525930 | Real Estate Investment Trusts (Form 1120-REIT) |
| 525990 | Other Financial Vehicles (including closed-end investment funds) |

"Offices of Bank Holding Companies" and "Offices of Other Holding Companies" are located under **Management of Companies (Holding Companies)** on page 22.

## Real Estate and Rental and Leasing

| | |
|---|---|
| **Real Estate** | |
| 531110 | Lessors of Residential Buildings & Dwellings |
| 531114 | Cooperative Housing |

*Code*

531120 Lessors of Nonresidential Buildings (except Miniwarehouses)
531130 Lessors of Miniwarehouses & Self-Storage Units
531190 Lessors of Other Real Estate Property
531210 Offices of Real Estate Agents & Brokers
531310 Real Estate Property Managers
531320 Offices of Real Estate Appraisers
531390 Other Activities Related to Real Estate

**Rental and Leasing Services**

532100 Automotive Equipment Rental & Leasing
532210 Consumer Electronics & Appliances Rental
532220 Formal Wear & Costume Rental
532230 Video Tape & Disc Rental
532290 Other Consumer Goods Rental
532310 General Rental Centers
532400 Commercial & Industrial Machinery & Equipment Rental & Leasing

**Lessors of Nonfinancial Intangible Assets (except copyrighted works)**

533110 Lessors of Nonfinancial Intangible Assets (except copyrighted works)

## Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services

**Legal Services**

541110 Offices of Lawyers
541190 Other Legal Services

**Accounting, Tax Preparation, Bookkeeping, and Payroll Services**

541211 Offices of Certified Public Accountants
541213 Tax Preparation Services
541214 Payroll Services
541219 Other Accounting Services

**Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services**

541310 Architectural Services
541320 Landscape Architecture Services
541330 Engineering Services
541340 Drafting Services
541350 Building Inspection Services
541360 Geophysical Surveying & Mapping Services
541370 Surveying & Mapping (except Geophysical) Services
541380 Testing Laboratories

**Specialized Design Services**

541400 Specialized Design Services (including interior, industrial, graphic, & fashion design)

**Computer Systems Design and Related Services**

541511 Custom Computer Programming Services
541512 Computer Systems Design Services
541513 Computer Facilities Management Services
541519 Other Computer Related Services

**Other Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services**

541600 Management, Scientific, & Technical Consulting Services
541700 Scientific Research & Development Services
541800 Advertising & Related Services

*Code*

541910 Marketing Research & Public Opinion Polling
541920 Photographic Services
541930 Translation & Interpretation Services
541940 Veterinary Services
541990 All Other Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services

## Management of Companies (Holding Companies)

551111 Offices of Bank Holding Companies
551112 Offices of Other Holding Companies

## Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services

**Administrative and Support Services**

561110 Office Administrative Services
561210 Facilities Support Services
561300 Employment Services
561410 Document Preparation Services
561420 Telephone Call Centers
561430 Business Service Centers (including private mail centers & copy shops)
561440 Collection Agencies
561450 Credit Bureaus
561490 Other Business Support Services (including repossession services, court reporting, & stenotype services)
561500 Travel Arrangement & Reservation Services
561600 Investigation & Security Services
561710 Exterminating & Pest Control Services
561720 Janitorial Services
561730 Landscaping Services
561740 Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning Services
561790 Other Services to Buildings & Dwellings
561900 Other Support Services (including packaging & labeling services, & convention & trade show organizers)

**Waste Management and Remediation Services**

562000 Waste Management & Remediation Services

## Educational Services

611000 Educational Services (including schools, colleges, & universities)

## Health Care and Social Assistance

**Offices of Physicians and Dentists**

621111 Offices of Physicians (except mental health specialists)
621112 Offices of Physicians, Mental Health Specialists
621210 Offices of Dentists

**Offices of Other Health Practitioners**

621310 Offices of Chiropractors
621320 Offices of Optometrists
621330 Offices of Mental Health Practitioners (except Physicians)

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621340 Offices of Physical, Occupational & Speech Therapists, & Audiologists
621391 Offices of Podiatrists
621399 Offices of All Other Miscellaneous Health Practitioners

**Outpatient Care Centers**

621410 Family Planning Centers
621420 Outpatient Mental Health & Substance Abuse Centers
621491 HMO Medical Centers
621492 Kidney Dialysis Centers
621493 Freestanding Ambulatory Surgical & Emergency Centers
621498 All Other Outpatient Care Centers

**Medical and Diagnostic Laboratories**

621510 Medical & Diagnostic Laboratories

**Home Health Care Services**

621610 Home Health Care Services

**Other Ambulatory Health Care Services**

621900 Other Ambulatory Health Care Services (including ambulance services & blood & organ banks)

**Hospitals**

622000 Hospitals

**Nursing and Residential Care Facilities**

623000 Nursing & Residential Care Facilities

**Social Assistance**

624100 Individual & Family Services
624200 Community Food & Housing, & Emergency & Other Relief Services
624310 Vocational Rehabilitation Services
624410 Child Day Care Services

## Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation

**Performing Arts, Spectator Sports, and Related Industries**

711100 Performing Arts Companies
711210 Spectator Sports (including sports clubs & racetracks)
711300 Promoters of Performing Arts, Sports, & Similar Events
711410 Agents & Managers for Artists, Athletes, Entertainers, & Other Public Figures
711510 Independent Artists, Writers, & Performers

**Museums, Historical Sites, and Similar Institutions**

712100 Museums, Historical Sites, & Similar Institutions

**Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries**

713100 Amusement Parks & Arcades
713200 Gambling Industries
713900 Other Amusement & Recreation Industries (including golf courses, skiing facilities, marinas, fitness centers, & bowling centers)

## Accommodation and Food Services

**Accommodation**

721110 Hotels (except Casino Hotels) & Motels

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721120 Casino Hotels
721191 Bed & Breakfast Inns
721199 All Other Traveler Accommodation
721210 RV (Recreational Vehicle) Parks & Recreational Camps
721310 Rooming & Boarding Houses

**Food Services and Drinking Places**

722110 Full-Service Restaurants
722210 Limited-Service Eating Places
722300 Special Food Services (including food service contractors & caterers)
722410 Drinking Places (Alcoholic Beverages)

## Other Services

**Repair and Maintenance**

811110 Automotive Mechanical & Electrical Repair & Maintenance
811120 Automotive Body, Paint, Interior, & Glass Repair
811190 Other Automotive Repair & Maintenance (including oil change & lubrication shops & car washes)
811210 Electronic & Precision Equipment Repair & Maintenance
811310 Commercial & Industrial Machinery & Equipment (except Automotive & Electronic) Repair & Maintenance
811410 Home & Garden Equipment & Appliance Repair & Maintenance
811420 Reupholstery & Furniture Repair
811430 Footwear & Leather Goods Repair
811490 Other Personal & Household Goods Repair & Maintenance

**Personal and Laundry Services**

812111 Barber Shops
812112 Beauty Salons
812113 Nail Salons
812190 Other Personal Care Services (including diet & weight reducing centers)
812210 Funeral Homes & Funeral Services
812220 Cemeteries & Crematories
812310 Coin-Operated Laundries & Drycleaners
812320 Drycleaning & Laundry Services (except Coin-Operated)
812330 Linen & Uniform Supply
812910 Pet Care (except Veterinary) Services
812920 Photofinishing
812930 Parking Lots & Garages
812990 All Other Personal Services

**Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional, and Similar Organizations**

813000 Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional, & Similar Organizations (including condominium and homeowners associations)

**EXHIBIT 7**

## Business Rules

The schema validation business rules can be found on the irs.gov website as follows:

- **For 1120/1120-S/7004 -** http://www.irs.gov/taxpros/providers/article/0,,id=97626,00.html.

- **For 11065/1065-B -** http://www.irs.gov/efile/article/0,,id=153999,00.html

- **For 990/990-EZ/990-PF/1120-POL/8868** http://www.irs.gov/charities/article/0,,id=105955,00.html