

- Paying by credit card is available to many taxpayers (electronic and paper filers) making balance due or estimated tax payments. Services are provided through private sector companies who charge a fee.
- Enroll in the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS) for FREE. EFTPS is recommended for making recurring estimated tax and Installment Agreement payments. You can schedule one-time or recurring payments for withdrawal from your bank account.



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IRS e-file

A Quick, Easy, Smart

**way to get your
taxes where you
want them to be-**

Done!

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What is IRS e-file?

IRS *e-file* is the fast, easy way to complete and send your tax returns electronically. You can prepare your tax returns using your favorite software or on-line service or have a tax professional prepare and e-file your return for you. Whether for your personal tax return or your business, just e-file and you're done.

What are the Benefits?

Over half of all tax returns are filed electronically – and the number continues to grow. Are you among the millions of Americans reaping the benefits of e-file?

Fast! Easy! Convenient!

- You get a fast refund in as few as 10 days.
- You can sign electronically and file a completely paperless return.
- You will receive an electronic proof of receipt within 48 hours that the IRS received your return.
- You can electronically pay your taxes by authorizing an electronic funds withdrawal from your checking or savings account or by credit card.
- You can prepare and file your federal and state returns together and double the benefits you get from e-file.

Accurate! Secure!

- IRS computers quickly and automatically check for errors or other missing information.
- The error rate for e-filed returns is less than 1 percent.
- The chance of being audited does not differ whether you e-file or file a paper tax return.
- The IRS does not share taxpayer information with anyone nor does the IRS have access to bank account or credit card numbers.

How can I e-file?

Tax Professional



IRS *e-file* Using an Authorized IRS *e-file* Provider

Many tax professionals electronically file tax returns for their clients. As a taxpayer, you have two options:

- You can prepare your return, take it to a tax preparer, and have the preparer transmit it electronically to the IRS, or
- You can have a tax professional prepare your return and transmit it for you electronically.

Tax preparers can charge a fee to provide IRS *e-file*. Fees may vary depending on the preparer and the specific services rendered.

Personal Computer



IRS *e-file* Using a Personal Computer

You can file your income tax return in a fast, easy, and convenient way using your personal computer. A computer with a modem or Internet access and tax preparation software are all you need. Best of all, you can e-file from the comfort of your home 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

IRS approved tax preparation software is available for online use on the Internet, for download from the Internet, and in retail stores. Visit www.irs.gov for details.

If you don't qualify for the Free Internet Filing Options, visit our Partners Page for partners that offer low-cost filing options at www.irs.gov.

How can I pay my taxes?

e-pay Your Taxes!

- E-file and e-pay at the same time balance due returns by authorizing an electronic funds withdrawal from your checking or savings account. Most payments can be scheduled for withdrawal on a future date up to the return due date and its FREE.