

Communications alert: Filing season essentials

Good afternoon:

This outreach bundle includes materials on these topics:

- Essentials for filing a tax return
- Materials about filing season

Please spread the word by sharing the information below with your contacts. Thank you for your help!

Key topic and recent news release:

- [Essentials needed to file a tax return](#): As the 2025 tax filing season continues, the IRS encourages taxpayers to make preparations and be aware of significant changes that may affect their 2024 tax returns.

Videos on YouTube you can share on your social media platforms or in other content:

- [Direct File playlist](#)
- [Earned Income Tax Credit playlist](#)
- [Owe taxes but can't pay?](#)
- [Options for paying your federal taxes](#)

Social media images and text:

- [Dependents](#)
- [Employer-Provided Childcare Tax Credit](#)
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- [Taxable and nontaxable income](#)
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- [Fuel Tax Credit scam](#)

Dependents

Tags: *Filing season*



Wondering who you can claim as a dependent in your tax return?

The #IRS Interactive Tax Assistant can help:

<https://www.irs.gov/help/ita/whom-may-i-claim-as-a-dependent>

A dependent is a qualifying child or relative who relies on your financial support. To be claimed on your tax return, they must meet specific requirements. Learn more from the #IRS

at: <https://www.irs.gov/credits-deductions/individuals/dependents>

Employer-Provided Childcare Tax Credit

Tags: Credits/Deductions, Small businesses



See #IRS information about claiming the Employer-Provided Childcare Tax Credit, including the requirements for qualified expenditures and facilities: www.irs.gov/employerchildcare

An #IRS page can help employers claim a business tax credit for qualified childcare facility and referral expenditures. Check out: www.irs.gov/employerchildcare

The #IRS Employer-Provided Childcare Tax Credit page helps determine eligibility for a tax credit of up to \$150,000. See if your business qualifies: www.irs.gov/employerchildcare

Credits and deductions

Tags: Filing Season, Credits/Deductions



Claiming eligible credits and deductions on your tax return may lower the tax you owe – or even qualify you for a refund. Learn more from the #IRS at: www.irs.gov/credits

Make sure you claim all the tax credits and deductions you qualify for. Learn more from the #IRS at: www.irs.gov/credits

Taxable and nontaxable income

Tags: Forms/Pubs, Small business, filing season



Find out what and when income is taxable and nontaxable, including employee wages, fringe benefits, barter income and royalties. See #IRS Publication 525: www.irs.gov/pub5252

Taxable income includes wages, salaries, bonuses, and tips, as well as investment income and various types of unearned income. But what is nontaxable income? Check #IRS Publication 525 to find out: www.irs.gov/pub5252

Most income is taxable and must be reported on your federal income tax return, but what you may not know is that some income is only partially taxable. Learn more from #IRS Publication 525: www.irs.gov/pub5252

Document Upload Tool

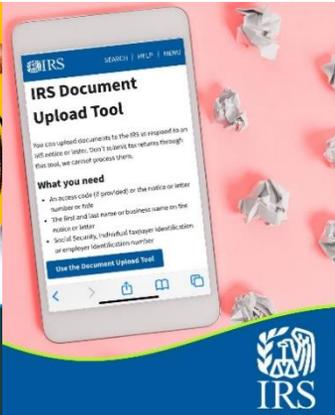
Tags: SOP: Experience

More taxpayers are using smart phones or computers to scan and upload responses to IRS correspondence rather than writing letters or mailing documents. Learn more about the #IRS Document Upload Tool at: www.irs.gov/dut

With the #IRS Document Upload Tool, almost anyone with a smart phone or computer can reply online to their tax notices. See: www.irs.gov/dut

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Instead of mailing paperwork, respond to IRS notices online



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Fuel Tax Credit scam

Tags: Tax Security/Scams, Social Media, Filing season, SOP: Credits, deductions

Watch out for misleading tax advice on social media



Beware of bad tax advice on social media about the Fuel Tax Credit. This specialized credit is for off-highway business and farming use, and most taxpayers don't qualify. See #IRS advice to protect yourself: <https://ow.ly/QY8j50UZv5s>

If you mistakenly claimed the Fuel Tax Credit based on misleading social media advice, the #IRS urges you to consider filing an amended tax return to remove the credit. Learn more: <https://ow.ly/QY8j50UZv5s>

Watch out for misleading tax advice on social media about the Fuel Tax Credit. Some scammers are tricking ineligible taxpayers into claiming the credit. Learn how to avoid this scheme: <https://ow.ly/QY8j50UZv5s>

#IRS encourages you to use extra caution with the latest scams on social media, including those promising huge refunds by falsely claiming the Fuel Tax Credit. Stay alert: <https://ow.ly/QY8j50UZv5s>

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