

Items You May Need to File Your Tax Return

Here is a detailed list of items that will be important when you complete your Tax Return.

Personal Information

- Your driver's license or other federal ID with picture
- Your social security card with your number or tax ID number
- Your spouse's full name and social security number or tax ID number

Dependent(S) Information

- Dates of birth and social security numbers or tax ID numbers
- Childcare records (including the provider's tax ID number) if applicable
- Income of other adults in your home
- Form 8332 showing that the child's custodial parent is releasing their right to claim a child to you, the noncustodial parent (if applicable)

INCOME SOURCES

- **Employed**
 - Forms W-2 or pay-stub for W-2 download
- **Unemployed**
 - Unemployment income, state tax refund (1099-G)
- **Self-Employed**
 - Forms 1099-MISC, Schedules K-1, income records to verify amounts not reported on 1099s
 - Records of all expenses – check registers or credit card statements, and receipts
 - Business-use asset information (cost, date placed in service, etc.) for depreciation
 - Office in home information, if applicable
 - Record of estimated tax payments made (Form 1040ES)
 - Auto loan or lease if vehicle used for business
- **Rental Income**
 - Records of income and expenses
 - Rental asset information (cost, date placed in service, etc.) for depreciation
 - Record of estimated tax payments made (Form 1040ES)
- **Retirement Income**
 - Pension or Retirement income/IRA/annuity income (1099-R)
 - Traditional IRA basis (i.e. amounts you contributed to the IRA that were already taxed)
 - Social security/RRB income (1099-SSA, RRB-1099)

- **Savings & Investments or Dividends**

- Interest, dividend income (1099-INT, 1099-OID, 1099-DIV)
- Income from sales of stock or other property (1099-B, 1099-S)
- Any cryptotax currency transaction information (purchase or redemption)
- Dates of acquisition and records of your cost or other basis in property you sold (if basis is not reported on 1099-B)
- Health Savings Account (HSA) and long-term care reimbursements (1099-SA or 1099-LTC)
- Health Savings Account (HSA) or Medical Savings Account (MSA) distributions – 1099-SA
- Expenses related to your investments
- Record of estimated tax payments made (Form 1040ES)

- **Other Income & Losses**

- Lottery or Gambling income/losses (W-2G or records showing income, as well as expense records)
- Jury duty records
- Hobby income and expenses
- Prizes and awards
- Trusts
- Royalty Income 1099 Misc.
- Any other 1099s received
- Record of alimony paid/received with Ex-spouse's name and SSN

DEDUCTIONS

- **Real Estate/Home Ownership**

- Forms 1098 or other mortgage interest statements
- Real estate and personal property tax records
- Receipts for energy-saving home improvements
- Repayment of the First-Time Home-buyer Credit – Form 5405
- All other 1098 series forms

- **Charitable Donations**

- Cash amounts donated to houses of worship, schools, other charitable organizations
- Records of non-cash charitable donations
- Amounts of miles driven for charitable or medical purposes

- **Medical Expenses**

- Amounts paid for healthcare insurance and to doctors, dentists, hospitals

- **Health Insurance**

- Form 1095-A if you enrolled in an insurance plan through the Marketplace (Exchange)
- Form 1095-B and/or 1095-C if you had insurance coverage through any other source (i.e. an employer, insurance company, government health plan such as Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, TRICARE, VA, etc.)

- Marketplace exemption certificate (ECN) if you applied for and received an exemption from the Marketplace (Exchange)
- **Childcare Expenses**
 - Fees paid to a licensed day care center or family day care for care of an infant or preschooler.
 - Wages paid to a baby-sitter.

Don't include expenses paid through a flexible spending account at work.
- **Educational Expenses**
 - Forms 1098-T from educational institutions
 - Receipts that itemize qualified educational expenses
 - Records of any scholarships or fellowships you received
 - Form 1098-E if you paid student loan interest
- **Job Expenses & Tax Prep Fees**
 - Employment related vehicle expenses (tolls, mileage, gas, maintenance, license, property tax, interest expense, parking)
 - Receipts for classroom expenses (for educators in grades K-12)
 - Employment-related expenses (dues, education, publications, tools, uniform cost and cleaning, travel)
 - Job-hunting expenses
 - Record of moving expenses not reimbursed by employer
 - Amount paid for preparation of last year's tax return
- **State & Local Taxes or Sales Tax**
 - Amount of state/local income tax paid (other than wage withholding), or amount of state and local sales tax paid
 - State refund amount – 1099-G
 - Invoice showing amount of vehicle sales tax paid
- **Retirement & Other Savings**
 - Form 5498-SA showing HSA contributions
 - Form 5498 showing IRA contributions
 - All other 5498 series forms (5498-QA, 5498-ESA)
- **Federally Declared Disaster**
 - City/county you lived/worked/had property in
 - Records to support property losses (appraisal, clean-up costs, etc.)
 - Records of rebuilding/repair costs
 - Insurance reimbursements/claims to be paid
 - FEMA assistance information
 - Check FEMA site to see if my county has been declared a federal disaster area
- **Last Year's Federal and State Tax Returns**