

## Ways to Pay:



- 1. Use IRS Direct Pay.** The best way to pay your taxes is with the IRS Direct Pay tool. It's the safe, easy and free way to pay from your checking or savings account. The tool walks you through five simple steps to pay your tax in one online session. Just click on the '[Pay Your Tax Bill](#)' icon on the IRS home page.
- 2. Check or money order payments**
  - Don't attach the payment to the return.
  - Refer to instructions on Form 1040V, Payment Voucher.
  - Submit the payment with a properly completed Form 1040V.
  - No cash payments.
- 3. Credit card payments**
  - American Express, Discover, Mastercard, or Visa cards are accepted.
  - A convenience fee will be charged by the service providers.
  - Visit [IRS.gov/E-pay](https://www.irs.gov/E-pay) or call service provider for details.

Official Payments Corp.	Link2Gov Corporation	WorldPay US, Inc.
1-888-UPAY-TAX (1-888-872-9829) 1-877-754-4413 (Customer Service) <a href="http://www.officialpayments.com/fed">www.officialpayments.com/fed</a>	1-888-PAY-1040 (1-888-729-1040) 1-888-658-5465 (Customer Service) <a href="http://www.PAY1040.com">www.PAY1040.com</a>	844-872-9829 Payment 855-508-0160 Live Operator Service 844-825-8729

- 5. EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System)** Taxpayers can use EFTPS to pay their federal taxes, but they must **enroll** first. EFTPS is a fast, easy, convenient and secure service provided free by the Department of Treasury. For more information or to enroll visit [IRS.gov/E-pay](https://www.irs.gov/E-pay) or call EFTPS Customer Service at 1-800-316-6541 (for individual payments). TTY/TDD help is available by calling 1-800-733-4829.

**Note: You must have a valid Social Security Number (SSN) to use this application. This application can't accommodate Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers (ITINs).**

- 6. PayNearMe** Through a partnership with OfficialPayments.com and the PayNearMe Company, taxpayers can now make a cash payment without the need of a bank account or credit card at more than 7,000 7-Eleven stores nationwide. To find a location near you, visit the [PayNearMe locations](#) Web page on [IRS.gov](https://www.irs.gov)  
<https://www.irs.gov/payments/pay-with-cash-at-a-retail-partner>

*You Owe on Your Taxes.  
What Can You Do Now?*



### File your Taxes Before Due Date!

File on time even if you can't pay. If you complete your tax return but can't pay the taxes you owe, do not request an extension. Instead, file your return on time and pay as much as you can. That way you will avoid the late filing penalty, which is higher than the penalty for not paying all of the taxes you owe on time. Plus, you do have payment options. **Extra time to file is not extra time to pay.** An extension to file will give you six more months to file your taxes, until Oct. 15. **It does not give you extra time to pay your taxes.** You still must estimate and pay what you owe by April 15. You will be charged interest on any amount not paid by the deadline. You may also owe a penalty for not paying on time

### Determine Why You Owe:

#### A few common reasons why are:

- **Did your family size get smaller?** Adjust your W-4 right away. (kids grow up and support themselves, separation, divorce, death are reasons to review and change W-4)
- **Do you own your own business or are you paid as a contractor?** Start making quarterly estimated tax payments. If you are married or also get paid by another company that issues a W-2, you could have your withholdings increased from your employer, retirement fund, or Social Security to off set the income.
- **Do you have investment income?** Have the company withhold when they pay you, or have your withholdings increased from your employer, retirement fund, or Social Security to off set the investment income.
- **Did you receive too much Premium Tax Credit?** Contact marketplace right away and update your information with them. If you underestimate your income and receive too much Advance Tax Credit, you will have to pay it back.





## What Are Your Options:

1. **Pay your tax bill.** If you get a bill from the IRS, you'll save money by paying it as soon as you can. If you can't pay it in full, you should pay as much as you can. That will reduce the interest and penalties charged for late payment.
2. **Get a short-term extension to pay.** You may qualify for extra time to pay your taxes if you can pay in full in 120 days or less. You can apply online at IRS.gov or call 800-829-1040 for help. There is usually no set-up fee for a short-term extension.
3. **Apply for a monthly payment plan.** If you owe \$50,000 or less and need more time to pay, you can apply for an Online Payment Agreement on IRS.gov. A direct debit payment plan is your best option. This plan is the lower-cost, hassle-free way to pay. The set-up fee is less than other plans. There are no reminders, no missed payments and no checks to write and mail. You can also use Form 9465, Installment Agreement Request, to apply. For more about payment plan options visit IRS.gov.
4. **Consider an Offer in Compromise.** An Offer in Compromise lets you settle your tax debt for less than the full amount that you owe. An OIC may be an option if you can't pay your tax in full. It may also apply if full payment will cause a financial hardship. You can use the OIC Pre-Qualifier tool to see if you qualify. It will also tell you what a reasonable offer might be.

**Remember:** Update your W-4 at work, with Social Security or and Retirement Accounts you have if your family size or marital status changes.



## A Clever Way to Pay Yourself instead of IRS



### Consider investing in an IRA before the tax deadline

If you haven't already funded your retirement account for 2016, do so by April 17, 2017. That's the deadline for contributions to a traditional IRA, Making a deductible contribution will help you lower your tax bill this year. Plus, your contributions will compound tax-deferred. It's hard to find a better deal. Use the IRA Deduction Worksheet and follow instructions to calculate what percent of a contribution you can write off as an adjustment to reduce your income thereby lowering your AGI which lowers taxes; SO YOU MIGHT END UP OWING LESS OR NOT AT ALL AND HAVE MONEY PUTAWAY FOR YOUR FUTURE!

### What Not To Do



- **Don't put your tax bill on a high-interest credit card.** The IRS charges a far lower interest rate, which means you can spend more of your money paying off the balance, not just keeping up with interest.
- **Don't take money out of your retirement accounts to pay a tax bill.** You may owe a penalty, in addition to income taxes, on the amount you withdraw. By the time you pay the penalty and income tax, you won't have as much left to pay your previous tax bill as you thought. Besides, retirement accounts are for retirement!
- **Finally, if you owe the IRS a good deal of money, don't panic!** If you play by the rules, stay in touch, and are scrupulously honest, the IRS can be a fairly reasonable creditor. Some IRS personnel can even be

**Remember:** Update Marketplace right away if your income, marital status, or family size changes.

