

Sample article for organizations, employers and others to use to reach customers (269 word count)

Provide the following article in your communication vehicles about applying for an online payment agreement.

You may qualify for an online payment option – it’s fast, easy and secure

Paying your taxes in full and on time avoids unnecessary penalties and interest. But if you can’t pay the full amount, here’s an option you may want to consider.

You can request a payment agreement. And, if you owe \$50,000 or less in individual income taxes and can pay the full amount within 72 months, you can request a payment agreement online. There’s no need to call or write the IRS because you can make the request directly from your computer. It’s easy, and your personal information is safe and secure.

You will know immediately if your request is approved. And, you can even set up a direct debit account, which means there are no checks to write and mail, and no missed payments that could lead to additional penalties.

To learn more, check out our short instructional [video](#). When you’re ready, just go to IRS.gov and click “Tools” – then – [“Online Payment Agreement”](#) – and follow the three easy steps to submit your application.

1 Determine your eligibility...	2 Gather your information...	3 Submit your application!
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• You owe \$50,000 or less in combined tax, penalties and interest.• You have filed all required tax returns.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Social Security number or Individual Tax ID number;• Date of birth;• Caller ID number, shown at the top of your recent notice;• PIN, if you have one. If not, you need your AGI;• Bank address;• Employer address;• Highest amount you can pay, and when you can pay it; and• Have your tax return handy to verify information.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Apply for a payment agreement.• Receive immediate notification of approval.• Consider system availability: Mon-Fri, 6am-12:30am, ET Sat, 6am-10pm, ET Sun, 6pm-midnight, ET