

Sample article for organizations to use to reach customers and/or taxpayers

Customize and provide the following article to your customers to let them know about this online tool for finding answers to basic tax questions.

Find answers to your tax questions with the online Interactive Tax Assistant.

Could you use a quick online resource for finding answers to tax law questions this filing season?

You may be familiar with the IRS's Website at www.irs.gov, but look closer. The site contains an [Interactive Tax Assistant](#) page that takes you through a series of questions to provide you with answers to tax law questions. You will not be asked for a Social Security Number or any other sensitive information.

Here's how it works.

Simply select a topic from the list you'll see on the [ITA page](#) and answer a series of questions which will walk you through your situation.

For example, select the topic, "Do I need to file a tax return?" Follow the prompts to begin and continue through the subsequent screens. You will see the question, "what tax year are you asking about?" After you select a year from the drop-down menu, you will then be asked whether you were a U.S. citizen on the last day of that year. Click "yes" or "no", then go on to the next question, which asks about marital status. By working your way through these questions, you will learn whether you need to file a tax return.

Other topics with which the ITA can help you include claiming dependents, figuring your standard deduction, determining your filing status, and determining eligibility for various credits.

ITA is accurate and efficient—and you can print the answers for future reference! Watch for more tax law categories to be added through out the filing season.

NOTE TO EDITOR: *Below are additional items you can use as references:*

For more information, check out these links.

- [Tax Trails](#) – Related Topics
- [Tax information for individuals](#)
- [Tax information for employees](#)