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Instructions for Form 8985 and Form 8985-V



(Rev. December 2024)

Pass-Through Statement—Transmittal/Partnership Adjustment Tracking Report (Required Under Sections 6226 and 6227)

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Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future Developments

For the latest information about developments related to Forms 8985 and 8985-V and their instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to [IRS.gov/Form8985](https://www.irs.gov/Form8985).

What's New

The column headings in Part IV have been changed, and an "as corrected" column has been added. These columns require different figures than the Part IV columns in the previous revision of Form 8985. See [Part IV, columns \(f\), \(g\), and \(h\)](#).

Reminders

This revision of the Instructions for Form 8985 includes an update on using the Part V statements section for making a correction to the amounts reported in Part IV. See [Part V Statements](#).

Purpose of Form

Form 8985 is used to summarize and transmit Forms 8986, Partner's Share of Adjustment(s) to Partnership-Related Item(s), by an audited partnership, administrative adjustment request (AAR) partnership, or pass-through partner. Form 8985 is also used to report payment made and related calculations by a pass-through partner.

Form 8985-V is used by a pass-through partner to submit a tax payment related to a BBA exam or BBA AAR.

Definitions

AAR partnership is a BBA partnership (see below) which has filed an AAR under section 6227.

AAR partnership's adjustment year is the partnership tax year that includes the date the AAR was filed with the IRS.

Affected partner is a partner that held an interest in the pass-through partner entity at any time during the tax year of the pass-through partner to which the adjustments in the statement relate.

Audited partnership, for purposes of Form 8985, is a BBA partnership that made the election under section 6226 to have its partners report their share of adjustments to partnership-related items.

Audited partnership's adjustment year is the year that includes the date the court decision became final, if the partnership filed a petition under section 6234. Otherwise, it is the year that includes the date the final partnership adjustment (FPA) letter was mailed, or the FPA waiver was executed by the IRS. This revision of the Instructions for Form 8985 includes an update on using the Part V statements section for making a correction to the amounts reported in Part IV. See [Part V Statements](#).

Adjustments that do not result in an IU. A partnership adjustment does not result in an imputed underpayment (IU) if the result of netting with respect to any grouping or subgrouping that includes the particular partnership adjustment is zero or less than zero. Adjustments do not result in an IU if the calculation of the IU on those adjustments results in an amount that is zero or less than zero. Any adjustment to an item which is not a monetary item (for example, an election made by the partnership) is an adjustment that does not result in an IU.

BBA AAR is an administrative adjustment request filed by a BBA partnership.

BBA partnership is a partnership that is subject to the centralized partnership audit regime that was enacted into law by section 1101 of the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 (BBA). The BBA is generally effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2018.

Designated individual (DI) is the individual through whom an entity partnership representative acts.

Extended due date of the partnership's adjustment year return is, for purposes of Form 8985, the extended due date of the AAR or audited partnership's adjustment year return regardless of whether the partnership is required to file a return for the adjustment year or timely filed a request for an extension.

Finally determined. The partnership adjustment(s) become finally determined upon the expiration of the time to file a petition under section 6234 or, if a petition is filed under section 6234, the date when the court's decision becomes final or the date the closing agreement is entered into between the IRS and the partnership. The court decision becomes final at the date the opportunity to appeal has passed as determined under section 7481.

First affected year is the partner's tax year that includes the end of the audited or AAR partnership's reviewed year(s). Each reviewed year of an audited partnership should have a corresponding first affected year for each partner.

Imputed underpayment (IU) is the amount determined under sections 6225, 6226, and 6227, and the regulations thereunder.

Partnership representative (PR) is the person designated by the partnership or by the IRS under section 6223 and the regulations thereunder to act on behalf of a BBA partnership.

Pass-through partner is a pass-through entity that holds an interest, either directly or indirectly, in a partnership.

Pass-through entities include partnerships, S corporations, trusts, and decedents' estates. For purposes of Form 9885, a pass-through entity is not a wholly owned entity disregarded as separate from its owner for federal tax purposes or a trust that is wholly owned by only one person.

Pass-through partner's tax year end to which the adjustments relate is the end of the pass-through partner's tax year which includes the audited or AAR partnership's reviewed year end date.

Note. An entity partner can be both a non-pass-through partner and a pass-through partner. To the extent the adjustments an entity partner received on a Form 9886 relate to items that are taxable at the entity level, it is considered a non-pass-through partner. With regard to adjustments that pass through to its owners/beneficiaries, it is considered a pass-through partner.

Reporting year is the partner's tax year(s) that includes the date the AAR or audited partnership furnished the Forms 9886, Partner's Share of Adjustment(s) to Partnership-Related Item(s), to its partners.

Reviewed year is the AAR or audited partnership's tax year to which the partnership adjustment(s) relates.

Reviewed year adjustments are adjustments originating from the AAR or audited partnership's reviewed year(s).

Reviewed year partner is any person that held an interest in the audited or AAR partnership at any time during the partnership's reviewed year.

General Instructions

Who Should Prepare Form 9885

The following persons or entities should prepare Form 9885.

- Audited partnerships that have made an election under section 6226.
- Direct or indirect pass-through partners that receive a Form 9886 related to an AAR or audited partnership, regardless of whether they furnish statements to their partners or choose to pay in lieu of furnishing statements to their partners.
- Partnerships that file an AAR under section 6227 and either elect to push out the resulting adjustments to their partners or have adjustments that do not result in an IU.

Who Must Sign Form 9885

If prepared by an audited partnership or an AAR partnership, Form 9885 should be signed by the authorized PR or DI for the reviewed tax year. If prepared by a pass-through partner, Form 9885 should be signed by an individual who has the authority to sign the partner's information return. If the pass-through partner is a BBA partnership, this should be signed by the pass-through partner's PR or DI for the first affected year.

Special instructions for pass-through partners. If the PR or DI shown on the pass-through partner's first affected year tax return has changed or you would like to make a change, submit a Form 9879 authorizing the change. If the Form 9885 you are submitting is related to an AAR filing, the Form 9879 should be included with the Form 9885. However, if the Form 9885 is related to a BBA audit, fax the Form 9879 separately to 888-981-6982, and in Part V of the Form 9885 (which must be submitted electronically) include a statement indicating that the PR or DI has changed and the date the Form 9879 was faxed.

Special instructions for a BBA partnership making a push out election as a result of an examination. If a BBA partnership makes a push out election, and the PR or DI for the reviewed year has changed or you would like to make a change, submit Form 9879 by attaching it to the push out election, Form 9888 (which must be submitted electronically). If the PR or DI for the reviewed year changes between the time the push out election is made and when the Form 9885 is submitted, fax the Form 9879 separately to 888-981-6982, and in Part V of the Form 9885 (which must be submitted electronically) include a statement indicating that the PR or DI has changed and the date the Form 9879 was faxed.

Where To Submit Form 9885

Audited partnerships and pass-through partners of audited partnerships. Section 6241(10) gives the IRS authority to require electronic submission of anything required to be filed or submitted under section 6226(a). Audited BBA partnerships and their pass-through partners are required to submit Forms 9885 and 9886 electronically. See [IRS.gov/BBAeSubmit](https://www.irs.gov/BBAeSubmit) for steps required to register and submit electronically.

AAR partnerships. AAR partnerships that are electing to push out adjustments to their partners or have adjustments that do not result in an IU must include Form 9885 with their AAR along with Forms 9886. The Forms 9885 and 9886 must be filed with, and in the same manner as, the AAR.

Pass-through partners of an AAR partnership. Pass-through partners of an AAR partnership must submit Form 9885 to the IRS by fax at 888-981-6982, with or without Forms 9886, as applicable. This fax number is not for general use. Taxpayers should not use this for anything besides Forms 9885 and 9886. Illegible or other submissions received at this fax number will not be processed. If the 9885/9886 package is over 100 pages, it must be printed and mailed. For more information, see the submission chart at [File an administrative adjustment request under Bipartisan Budget Act of 2015 \(BBA\)](#)

Due Dates

Audited partnerships. An audited partnership that has made an election under section 6226 must submit Form 9885 and the related Forms 9886 to the IRS no later than 60 days after the date on which the partnership adjustments are finally determined. Failure to submit Forms 9886 by the due date may result in the audited partnership being liable for the IU.

An audited partnership can submit corrected Forms 9885 and the related corrected Forms 9886 within 60 days of the due date for the initially submitted forms without IRS permission. If corrected statements need to be submitted after the 60-day correction period, the audited partnership must contact the IRS for permission to submit.

AAR partnerships. An AAR partnership that either elects to push out the resulting adjustments to its partners or has adjustments that do not result in an IU must include Forms 9885 and the related Forms 9886 with its AAR.

Pass-through partners. Direct and indirect pass-through partners must submit Form 8985 by the extended due date of the audited partnership's adjustment year return (or the extended due date of the AAR partnership's adjustment year return). This date can be found in Part II, item F, of the Form 8986 that was received by the pass-through partner. Failure to submit by the due date may result in a penalty. A pass-through partner who receives a Form 8986 related to an audited partnership can submit a corrected Form 8985 and the related Forms 8986, if applicable, within 60 days of the due date for the initially submitted forms without IRS permission. If corrected Forms 8985 need to be submitted after the 60-day correction period, the pass-through partner must contact the IRS for permission to submit.

Pass-Through Partners That Make a Payment

If a pass-through partner receives a Form 8986 as a result of an audited partnership, it can take into account the adjustments reflected in the Form 8986 by paying the IU, including all applicable penalties and interest, and submitting Form 8985 by the extended due date of the audited partnership's adjustment year return. A pass-through partner that chooses to pay an IU should not issue related Forms 8986 to its partners, with one exception noted in the next paragraph, but should still complete Part IV of Form 8985.

If a pass-through partner receives a Form 8986 as a result of an AAR partnership, it can take into account the adjustments reflected in the Form 8986 by paying the IU, including all applicable penalties and interest, and submitting Form 8985 by the extended due date of the AAR partnership's adjustment year return. However, adjustments that do not result in an IU shown on the Form 8986 that are related to an AAR must be pushed out.

In Part III, item F, the appropriate box must be checked and payment information must be reflected. In Part V, include a statement or statements showing how the IU, penalties, and interest were figured. See below for how to figure these amounts.

Pass-through partner's calculation of the IU. If a pass-through partner chooses to make a payment rather than push out the adjustments to its partners, payment is figured in the same manner as an IU is figured under Regulations section 301.6225-1 by treating all the adjustments reflected on the Form 8986 received by the pass-through partner as partnership adjustments for the first affected year of the pass-through partner. Any modifications approved by the IRS with respect to an audited partnership involving partners of the pass-through partner (which are indirect partners of the audited partnership) should be taken into account in this calculation. Adjustments that do not result in an IU are taken into account by the pass-through partner in the tax year that includes the date of payment. However, adjustments that do not result in an IU shown on the Form 8986 that are related to an AAR must be pushed out. A detailed calculation must be included in Part V of the Form 8985 filed with the IRS. Pass-through partners of an AAR partnership cannot include modifications in the calculation.

Pass-through partner's calculation of penalties and interest. Pass-through partners that make a payment must figure and pay applicable penalties on the amounts due, treating such amounts as IUs for the pass-through partner's first affected year. To find out which penalties apply, pass-through partners should refer to the penalty sections of Part V of the Form 8986 that they received.

Pass-through partners that make a payment must pay interest on the IU (including all applicable penalties) as if the IU was due on the due date of the return for first affected year. Interest is figured from the due date of the pass-through partner's return for the first affected tax year and is compounded daily until it is paid.

The interest on the penalties is also figured from the same due date unless the pass-through partner filed for an extension in the first affected year, in which case it should be figured from that date. The interest is figured at the underpayment rate under section 6621(a)(2), but substituting "five percentage points" for "three percentage points." Pass-through partners that are making a payment as part of an AAR should use the rate under section 6621(a)(2) without making this substitution.

Example calculation of amount due, penalty, and interest by pass-through partner. On October 12, 2027, MJ, an audited partnership, timely furnishes Forms 8986 to its partners and submits them to the IRS. The Forms 8986 reflect the partners' share of partnership adjustments as finally determined in the FPA it received from the IRS for reviewed year ending December 31, 2024. The Forms 8986 sent to partners M (an individual) and J (a partnership) each reflect a partnership adjustment of \$100,000 to ordinary income. The statements also indicate that the substantial understatement penalty under section 6662(d) applies and no modifications were approved. The extended due date of MJ's 2027 return is September 15, 2028.

M takes into account her share of the adjustments reflected on the Form 8986 furnished by MJ on her reporting year 2027 individual tax return by completing and attaching Forms 8978 and 8978 Sch A.

J's first affected year return was due on March 15, 2025. J did not file for an extension. Assume the short-term federal interest rate from March 15, 2025, to April 1, 2028, is 2.5%. J adds 5% (3% from section 6621; 2% from section 6226) to this rate to obtain 7.5% as its applicable interest rate which is compounded daily. Also assume that the highest income tax rate for a U.S. person as of December 31, 2024, is 37%. On April 1, 2028, J decides to account for the adjustments by paying an IU and submitting the Form 8985 to the IRS. J determines that because the IU exceeds the threshold amount in section 6662(d), the penalty must be included in its payment. On Form 8985, J checks box 1 in Part III, item F, figures an IU, and includes a statement with the calculation details in Part V. J figures the IU, related penalty, and interest from March 15, 2025, as shown in the following table.

Example Calculation of Amount Due, Penalty, and Interest by Pass-Through Partner

Total reviewed year adjustments net of approved modifications	\$100,000
Multiplied by highest income tax rate in effect on 12/31/2024	37%
Equals IU (additional tax)	\$37,000
Multiplied by penalty rate under section 6662	20%
Equals penalty on IU	\$7,400
Total IU and penalty	\$44,400
Interest at 7.5% from 03/15/2025 to 04/1/2028 on total IU and penalty	\$11,408
Total amount due	\$55,808

J makes a payment of \$55,808 electronically at IRS.gov and obtains a confirmation number which it enters in the space provided in Part III, item F, of Form 8985, along with the amount of additional tax, penalties, and interest. Since J has accounted for its share of the audit adjustments by making a payment and submitting Form 8985, it does not have to issue Forms 8986 to its partners.

Payments by pass-through partners. Go to [IRS.gov/Payments](https://www.irs.gov/payments) for payment options. If submitting a check or money order, use Form 8985-V. See the instructions for Form 8985-V at the end of these instructions.

However you choose to pay, identify your payment by checking the appropriate box on Form 9885-V.

- Payment submitted by a pass-through partner due to an audited partnership should be identified as “BBA exam push out.”
- Payment submitted by a pass-through partner due to an AAR partnership should be identified as “BBA AAR push out.”

Pass-Through Partners That Push Out Adjustments to Their Partners

If a pass-through partner pushes out the adjustment(s) to its partners, it must push out all of the adjustment(s). The appropriate box must be checked in Part III, item F, of Form 9885. It must also provide Forms 9886 to its partners and to the IRS by the extended due date of the audited partnership's (or AAR partnership's) adjustment year return. The push out package submitted to the IRS should include the summary Form 9885 and all related Forms 9886 that were provided to the partners. See the Instructions for Form 9886.

Note. The audit control number does not apply to partnerships and pass-through partners submitting Form 9885 as part of an AAR.

Specific Instructions

Original or corrected (This is a required field). At the top of Form 9885, check the appropriate box to indicate if it's an original or corrected form. A corrected Form 9885 is required in all situations. If Form 9885 is corrected, it must be submitted with all of the Forms 9886 originally submitted, including forms that did not change.

Withholding for foreign partners. A BBA partnership may have withholding and reporting obligations if it furnishes a Form 9886 to a reviewed year partner that includes an adjustment subject to withholding under chapter 3 (Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Corporations) or chapter 4 (Taxes to Enforce Reporting on Certain Foreign Accounts). See the Instructions for Form 9886 for more information.

Incoming tracking number and outgoing tracking number. These fields are to be filled out by a BBA partnership or a pass-through partner of a BBA partnership. The incoming tracking number is completed by a pass-through partner and is the tracking number shown on the Form 9886 received by the pass-through partner. The outgoing tracking number needs to be completed by a BBA partnership or a pass-through partner of a BBA partnership that is issuing Forms 9886 to its partners/owners. A unique outgoing tracking number must be obtained for each push out package submitted by an audited BBA partnership or pass-through partner of an audited BBA partnership. See [IRS.gov/BBAeSubmit](https://www.irs.gov/BBAeSubmit) website for steps required to register and submit electronically. AAR filers and related pass-through partners should compute and enter unique tracking numbers by following the instructions below.

AAR filers and pass-through partners (direct and indirect) of AAR partnership filers that are electing to push out adjustments to their partners should compute and complete the tracking number field as follows:

- For an AAR partnership, the incoming tracking number field should remain blank. The outgoing tracking number field should contain eight numbers, and a dash, followed by another six numbers in the format YYMM1234-0000XX. In the first four digits enter the year and month the AAR partnership is reporting that Forms 9886 were sent to its partners (use the same date used in Form 9885/9886 Part II, G), and in next four digits enter the last four digits of its EIN (that is, Part II, C). In the final six digits enter 000001 (or 000002 or 000003 and so forth if this is the second or third AAR filed for the reviewed year).

Note. This outgoing tracking number will also be used as the tracking number on Forms 9886 issued by the AAR partnership filer to its reviewed year partners.

- For a pass-through partner (direct and indirect) of an AAR partnership, the tracking number from the Form 9886 it received is used as the incoming tracking number on Form 9885 in all cases (whether the pass-through partner elects to pay or push out). If the pass-through partner is required to push out adjustments that do not result in an imputed underpayment or if the pass-through partner elects to push out further to its affected partners, it should determine and report the outgoing tracking number using the same numbers before the dash as the tracking number on the Form 9886 it received (date in 9886 Part II, G and last four of the EIN Part II, C), and then after the dash, enter the last four digits of its EIN (EIN in Part III, B), followed by 01 (or 02, 03 and so forth if the pass-through partner received more than one Form 9886 originating from the same AAR partnership or same pass-through partner, for example, YYMM1234-0000XX).

Audit control number. Enter the audit control number that is provided on correspondence with the IRS. Pass-through partners can locate this number at the top of the Form 9886 they received.

Note. The audit control number doesn't apply to partnerships and pass-through partners submitting Form 9885 as part of an AAR.

Part I—Information About Entity Submitting This Form

Item A (This is a required field)—Indicate which entity is issuing this form by checking the appropriate box.

Item B (This is a required field)—Check the box that corresponds to the type of return normally filed by the entity issuing this form. If Other, also indicate the type of return filed on the line provided.

Item C (This is a required field)—Enter the number of Forms 9886 that are associated with only this Form 9885. Pass-through partners of an audited BBA partnership that choose to make a payment instead of issuing Forms 9886 must enter a zero in this box.

Items D and E (This is a required field)—These fields are to be filled out only by an audited BBA partnership or a pass-through partner of an audited BBA partnership. Generally, box D should be checked, and you should enter 1 of 1 in box E.

Note. Pass-through partners of an audited BBA partnership that make a payment instead of issuing Forms 9886 will not need to include any Forms 9886. They should also check box D and enter 1 of 1 in box E.

Special instructions for audited BBA partnerships or pass-through partners of audited BBA partnerships with more than 500 partners submitting push out Forms 9885 and 9886 (batched submission). There is a limitation regarding the size of files that can be filed electronically in a single submission. If the submission exceeds that size, the submission must be split into multiple batches. In this situation, each batch of Forms 9886 must have an associated Form 9885. The Form 9885 included in the first batch will be considered the summary Form 9885, and for this Form 9885, box D should be checked. In box E, enter 1 of X, with X being the total number of batches submitted for the outgoing tracking number shown at the top of the form. In the second batch submitted, do not check box D; enter 2 of X in box E, and so forth for all subsequent batches. Each batch must have the same outgoing tracking number (and incoming tracking number, if applicable).

Part II—Information About the Audited Partnership or the Partnership That Filed an AAR

Item A (This is a required field)—On lines 1–6, enter the name and address of the partnership. In the state field, enter the two-letter abbreviation for the U.S. state or the full name of the foreign province. U.S. partnerships leave the country code field blank. Foreign partnerships enter the country code found at [Foreign Country Codes](#).

Item B (This is a required field)—On lines 1–7, enter the name, address, city, in the state field, enter the two-letter abbreviation for the U.S. state, ZIP code, and phone number of the PR. If the PR is an entity, provide the name, address, city, state, ZIP code, and phone number of the DI instead of the information about the PR.

Item C (This is a required field)—Enter the partnership's tax identification number.

Item D (This is a required field)—Enter the tax year end date of the reviewed year of the partnership. Each reviewed year should have a separate Form 9985. This form must be completed for reviewed years that have adjustments related to an audit or an AAR.

Item E (This is a required field)—Enter the partnership's adjustment year ending date.

Item F (This is a required field)—Enter the extended due date of the partnership's adjustment year tax return, regardless of whether the partnership has filed for an extension. For AAR partnerships, this will be the extended due date of the tax year the AAR was filed.

Item G (This is a required field)—Enter the date the audited or AAR partnership furnished the Forms 9986 to its partners.

Part III—Information About the Pass-Through Partner Submitting This Form 9985

Item A—On lines 1–6, enter the pass-through partner's name and address. In the state field, enter the two-letter abbreviation for the U.S. state or the full name of the foreign province. U.S. partnerships leave the country code field blank. Foreign partnerships enter the country code found at [Foreign Country Codes](#).

Item B—Enter the pass-through partner's tax identification number.

Item C—Enter the pass-through partner's tax year end to which the adjustments relate.

Item D—Enter the name of the entity that issued the Form 9986 to the pass-through partner, if different from the audited partnership or AAR partnership in Part II.

Item E—Enter the tax identification number of the entity that issued the Form 9986 to the pass-through partner, if different from the audited partnership or AAR partnership in Part II.

Item F—Indicate if the pass-through partner is making a payment or issuing Forms 9986 to its partners by checking the appropriate box 1 or 2. If the pass-through partner is making a payment, a statement must be included in Part V with a detailed calculation of the IU plus any applicable penalties and interest. An IU calculation is not needed if pushing out all the adjustments. If paying electronically, check box 3 and enter the electronic payment confirmation number in the space provided. If paying by check or money order, check box 4 and enter the check number in the space provided.

Signature

Non-electronically submitted forms. If the form is prepared by an audited partnership or an AAR partnership, the authorized PR or DI for the reviewed year should sign and date Form 9985. If the form is prepared by a pass-through partner, it should be signed and dated by an individual who has the authority to sign the pass-through partner's tax return. If the pass-through partner

is a BBA partnership, it should be signed by its PR or DI for the first affected year.

Electronically submitted forms. For audited BBA partnerships and pass-through partners of audited BBA partnerships that electronically submit forms, the PR or DI for the first affected year e-sign the form by entering their five-digit PIN in the signature block. The five-digit PIN is the number that is self-selected during the PBBA Transmitter Control Code (PBBA TCC) application step as described in the multi-step process for electronic submission as described on the BBA website, [IRS.gov/BBAeSubmit](#). The five-digit PIN is a required field.

Name of person signing form (This is a required field). The typed name of the person signing the form must exactly match the name entered during the TCC application step for electronic submission. For example, if the name entered during the TCC application step is John T. Smith, the typed name on the form must be John T. Smith, not John Smith, JT Smith, John T Smith, etc.

Title & Date (This is a required field). Enter your title and the date the form is being signed.

Telephone number. Enter a daytime telephone number.

Name of entity partnership representative (if applicable). If the PR is an entity, enter the entity name.

Part IV—Partners' Total Reviewed Year Income, Gain, Loss, Deduction, Credits, and Other Items

Note. Adjustments that increase a Schedule K-1/K-3 (Form 1065) item as originally reported, or as corrected, must be shown as positive numbers. Adjustments that decrease Schedule K-1 (Form 1065) items should be shown as negative numbers.

Part IV should include summary figures of the total amounts of the Forms 9986 that are related to this Form 9985. For audited partnerships and AAR partnerships, this part should include the sum of all adjustments included in the Forms 9986 sent to the partners. For pass-through partners, the amounts in this part should equal the amounts shown on the Form 9986 that was received by the pass-through partner. For columns (a)–(c), refer to the relevant Schedule K-1/K-3 and instructions. See below for special instructions for changes to Schedule K-2. For each item that was adjusted, enter the following.

Column (a), Line number (This is a required field)—The Schedule K-1 line number that was adjusted. If you have changes to Schedule K-3, enter "K3" (no dash).

Column (b), Line title (This is a required field)—The title of the Schedule K-1 item that was adjusted. For adjustments to Schedule K-3 (Form 1065), enter the part, section (if applicable), line, and column reference.

Column (c), Code (This is a required field)—Enter the code letters listed in the Schedule K-1 instructions that correspond to the line number shown in column (a). For adjustments to Schedule K-3, if applicable, enter the country code. See the Schedule K-3 instructions. If no specific code applies, enter "NA."

Column (d), As reported (This is a required field)—Enter the original aggregate amount reported to the partners on their Schedules K-1 or as previously corrected by the partnership.

Column (e), Check if statement in Part V—Check the box in this column if the item shown in column (a) has a corresponding statement in Part V. For adjustments to Schedule K-3, enter an explanation of the adjustment on Part V of Form 9985 with reference to the entry on Part IV, column (b).

Column (f), Approved modifications (if applicable)—Enter the total modifications approved by the IRS corresponding to the line item in column (a). Enter the totals at the bottom of Part IV.

Column (g), Reviewed year adjustments net of approved modifications (This is a required field)—Enter the total reviewed year adjustments net of approved modifications (from

column (f)). Modifications related to the filing of an AAR should not be shown in this column. Enter the totals at the bottom of Part IV.

Column (h), As corrected (This is a required field)—Enter the amount in column (d) plus the amount in column (g). This is the total corrected amount. Enter the totals at the bottom of Part IV.

Loans and other items recharacterized as distributions to partners. If a reviewed year adjustment has been made to change a partner loan or other item to a partner distribution, this adjustment should be reported with the column (a) line number that corresponds to the Schedule K-1 "Distributions" category and with column (c) code A for cash distributions if the partner received money and as a code C if the partner received property other than money.

Disguised sale adjustments. Distributions to a partner that were changed as part of an audit proceeding to disguised sale proceeds under section 707 should be reported with the column (a) line number that corresponds to the Schedule K-1, Other category, and with column (c) code DS. The partnership should also include a statement in Part V describing the asset that was sold, the proceeds, and the tax basis of the asset at the time of the contribution.

Special instructions for changes to Schedules K-2 and K-3. The Form 8985 is a summary of all adjustments on the related Forms 8986. This is similar to Schedule K-2 with respect to the related Schedules K-3. Adjustments to the Schedule K-2 should be reflected on Form 8985 and to the Schedule K-3 on Form 8986.

See the Instructions for the Form 8986 for examples of how Schedule K-3 adjustments should be reported. The related Schedule K-2 (summary of Schedule K-3) adjustments should be reported in the same manner on the Form 8985.

Part IV—Applicable Penalties

The applicability of penalties is determined at the audited partnership or AAR partnership level. In the penalties section of Part IV, enter the penalty code sections, descriptions, rates, adjustment line numbers, and total adjustment amount to which the penalty applies.

Part V—Statements

The purpose of this part is to provide additional space to add statements where needed. In general, if a statement was included to support the original Schedule K, the same statement should be shown here if any item on that statement changed as a result of the audit or the AAR filing. This part can also be used by pass-through partners that choose to calculate and pay an IU, and for adjustments that do not have a corresponding Schedule K-1 line number.

Column (a), Line no./code—List the corresponding Schedule K-1, Part IV, column (a), line number and column (c) code (if applicable) for each item for which a statement is included.

Column (b), Statement—Include a detailed explanation of the amount(s) or calculation(s) that corresponds to the item in column (a).

Supporting schedules and statements should be in a format that shows the original amount, the net change, and the correct amount for each item listed in the statement. If any column (b)

statements exceed the space allowable in one box, continue in the next box with the same information in column (a).

This Part V should also be used if a pass-through partner is choosing to figure and pay an IU. Pass-through partners that are choosing to pay an IU should enter "Part III F" in column (a) and a detailed calculation in column (b). For a change to liabilities or other balance sheet items, enter "Part IV F" in the line number field of Part V of the Form 8985 (statements section) and attach a statement describing the original amounts reported, adjustments, and corrected aggregate balance sheet items. For a change to capital accounts, enter "Part IV G" in Part V and attach a statement describing the aggregate original amounts reported, adjustments, and corrected amounts.

Statements related to section 199A information.

Adjustments that increase or decrease section 199A information reported to the partners must be shown in a separate statement for each trade or business or each aggregated trade or business. Partnerships may aggregate trades or businesses for purposes of computing QBI, UBI, and W-2 wages. The choice to aggregate must be made on an originally filed tax return. See below for an example of the information that should be included in Part V of the Form 8985. These figures should reflect the aggregate amount of section 199A items reported separately to the partners on Forms 8986.

Note. Section 199A dividends are reported as a cumulative amount and not per qualified trade or business. These should only be included once in the first section 199A statement attached to Form 8985, regardless of how many statements may be necessary.

Each trade or business should indicate if it is a publicly traded partnership (PTP), aggregated, or specified service trade or business (SSTB). See the Instructions for Schedule K-1 (Form 1065) or the Instructions for Schedule K-1 (Form 1120-S).

If the partnership is a patron of a specified agricultural or horticultural cooperative, the partnership must also include a statement for each trade or business identifying the adjustment(s) to qualified items of income, gain, deduction, and loss and W-2 wages allocable to qualified payments. Section 199A(g) deductions are reported as a cumulative amount and not per qualified trade or business. These should only be included once in the first statement of adjustments to items allocable to qualified payments attached to Form 8985, regardless of how many statements may be necessary.

Balance sheet adjustments. Any adjustments to balance sheet items (including changes to the type of a liability between recourse and nonrecourse) made as a result of a BBA audit should be shown in a separate statement in Part V using a per-return, adjustment, and corrected amount format.

Examples

Example 1—Push out of section 199A-related audit adjustments. Assume partnership ABC has one trade or business that is an SSTB and is not a patron in a specified agricultural or horticultural cooperative. On its filed return, partnership ABC reported the items shown in Example 1. Section 199A Related Amounts Generated by the Partnership as a summary of all the section 199A related amounts generated by the partnership.

Example 1. Section 199A Related Amounts Generated by the Partnership

EIN:	<input type="checkbox"/> PTP <input type="checkbox"/> Aggregated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SSTB
Summary of section 199A items before audit adjustments:	
QBI or qualified PTP items subject to partner-specific determinations:	
Ordinary business income (loss)	\$400,000
Rental income (loss)	\$20,000
Royalty income (loss)	
Section 1231 gain (loss)	\$100,000
Other deductions	\$160,000
W-2 wages	\$100,000
UBIA of qualified property	\$120,000
Section 199A dividends	\$10,000

Assume the adjustments per audit increased ordinary income by \$20,000 and royalty income by \$10,000, and decreased other deductions by \$40,000. Assume that all of the adjustments are determined to be qualified items of income, gain, deduction, and loss at the partnership level. Partnership ABC should include in Part V of the Form 8985 the information shown in Example 1, Part V of Form 8985.

Example 1. Part V of Form 8985

EIN:	As Reported	Net Adjustments	As Corrected
Summary of section 199A items before audit adjustments:	<input type="checkbox"/> PTP <input type="checkbox"/> Aggregated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SSTB		<input type="checkbox"/> PTP <input type="checkbox"/> Aggregated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SSTB
QBI or qualified PTP items subject to partner-specific determinations:			
Ordinary business income (loss)	\$400,000	\$20,000	\$420,000
Rental income (loss)	\$20,000		\$20,000
Royalty income (loss)		\$10,000	\$10,000
Section 1231 gain (loss)	\$100,000		\$100,000
Other deductions	\$160,000	(\$40,000)	\$120,000
W-2 wages	\$100,000		\$100,000
UBIA of qualified property	\$120,000		\$120,000
Section 199A dividends	\$10,000		\$10,000

Example 2—Pass-through partner’s calculation of IU from Form 8986 received. Assume a pass-through partner received the adjustments shown in Example 2, Part V of Form 8986 on a Form 8986 that showed its share of adjustments from an audit.

Example 2. Part V of Form 8986

(a) Line number	(b) Line title	(c) Code*	(d) As reported	(e) Check If statement in Part VI	(g) Reviewed year adjustments net of approved modifications
1	Ordinary Income—Increase		\$ 50,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$100,000
13	Other Deductions—Decrease		\$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	–\$50,000
9a	Long-Term Capital Gains—Decrease		\$25,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	–\$20,000
15	Line 15a, LIH Credit—Decrease		\$3,000	<input type="checkbox"/>	–\$2,000
15	Line 15e, Rental Credits—Increase		\$0	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$1,000

The pass-through partner should figure an IU for these adjustments as shown in Example 2. Worksheet for Pass-Through Partner IU Calculation.

Example 2. Worksheet for Pass-Through Partner IU Calculation

Adjustments by Subgroup	Description	Positive Adjustments	Adjustments that did not result in an IU
Ordinary Income, Schedule K-1, Line 1	Increase to Income	\$100,000	
Other Deductions, Line 13	Decrease to Other Deductions	\$50,000	
Long-Term Capital Gains, Schedule K-1, Line 9a	Decrease to Long-Term Capital Gains		-\$20,000
Adjustments Before Credits		\$150,000	
Applicable Tax Rate		37%	
IU amount before credits		\$55,500	
Low Inc. Housing Credit, Schedule K-1, Line 15a	Decrease to LIH Credits	\$2,000	
Other Rental Credits, Schedule K-1, Line 15e	Increase to Other Rental Credits		-\$1,000
Total Adjustments to Credits		\$2,000	
Adjustments to Creditable Expenditures		\$0	
IU		\$57,500	

Note. For the purposes of the Forms 9885 and 9886, increases and (decreases) to the item as reported are reflected as increases or (decreases) on the form. However, for the purposes of the IU calculation, an adjustment is shown as a positive amount if it would increase the income tax of any taxpayer, and as a negative or an amount that did not result in an IU if it decreases tax. Any adjustment to a balance sheet item is treated as a positive adjustment. Also note that separate Schedule K-1 line items are in separate subgroups that should not be netted for the purposes of the calculation. See above for how pass-through partners should report amounts that did not result in an IU.

Special Instructions for Changes to Schedule K-2 or Schedule K-3 (Form 1065)

Form 9885 is a summary of all adjustments on the related Forms 9886. This is similar to Schedule K-2 with respect to the related Schedules K-3. Adjustments to Schedule K-2 should be reflected on Form 9885 and adjustments to Schedule K-3 should be reflected on Form 9886.

See the Instructions for the Form 9886 for examples of how Schedule K-3 adjustments should be reported. The related Schedule K-2 (summary of Schedules K-3) adjustments should be reported in the same manner on Form 9885.

Instructions for Form 9885-V (Tax Payment by a Pass-Through Partner)

Purpose of Form 9885-V

When paying an imputed underpayment as discussed in [Pass-Through Partners That Make a Payment](#), above, Form 9885-V should be included with a check or money order submitted as payment made by a direct or indirect pass-through partner of an audited partnership or an AAR partnership.

Specific Instructions for Form 9885-V

Type of payment—Check the appropriate box in the upper left of Form 9885-V to indicate the type of payment being made. This information can be found in Part I, item A, of Form 9885. If box 2 of Form 9885, Part I, item A, is checked, select “BBA exam push out.” If box 4 is checked, select “BBA AAR push out.”

Payment due date—Enter the date shown in the corresponding Form 9885, Part II, item F.

Imputed underpayment, penalties, and interest—Enter the amounts shown on the Form 9885, Part III, item F, for additional tax, penalties, and interest.

Amount you are paying—Enter the total that you are paying of the additional tax, penalties, and interest from Form 9885, Part III, item F.

Name of pass-through partner—Enter the name shown on Form 9885, Part III, item A.

Pass-through partner's applicable tax year ending date—Enter the date shown on Form 9885, Part III, item C.

Audit control number—Enter the number, if any, shown at the top of Form 9885. If this payment is related to an AAR, enter the incoming tracking number from the Form 9885.

Partner's TIN—Enter the partner's tax identification number from Form 9885, Part III, item B.

Type of return filed—Check the box that corresponds to the box that is checked in Part I, item B, of Form 9885.

Address, city, state, ZIP code, and foreign country—Enter the information shown on Form 9885, Part III, item A.

Partner's representative—Enter the name and phone number of the individual who signed Form 9885.

Where To Submit Form 9885-V

Mail Form 9885-V along with your check or money order to:

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Ogden, UT 84201-0011

Checks and money orders should be made payable to “United States Treasury.”

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