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Form 8453

U.S. Individual Income Tax Declaration for Electronic Filing

OMB No. 1545-0936

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

For the year January 1–December 31, 1993

1993

See instructions on back.

Use the IRS label. Otherwise, please print or type.

Label Here

Your first name and initial Last name
If a joint return, spouse's first name and initial Last name
Home address (number and street). If a P.O. box, see instructions. Apt. no.
City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code

Your social security number
Spouse's social security number
Telephone number (optional)
For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see instructions.

If the taxpayer's name changed during the past 3 years due to marriage, divorce, etc. and he or she filed a Federal income tax return for such years using the former name, enter the most recently used last name here.

Part I Tax Return Information (Whole dollars only)

Table with 5 rows: 1 Total income, 2 Total tax, 3 Federal income tax withheld, 4 Refund, 5 Amount you owe

Part II Direct Deposit of Refund (See instructions.)

6 Name of financial institution and, if applicable, branch name
7 Routing transit number (RTN)
8 Depositor account number (DAN)
9 Type of account: Savings, Checking
10 Proof of account: Check, Other
11 Ownership of account: Self, Spouse, Self and Spouse

Part III Declaration of Taxpayer

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that the information I have provided to my electronic return originator (ERO) and the amounts shown in Part I above agree with the amounts shown on the corresponding lines of my 1993 Federal income tax return.

For Direct Deposit will be honored. If I have filed a joint return and elected Direct Deposit, this is an irrevocable appointment of the other spouse as an agent to receive the refund.

Sign Here

Your signature Date Spouse's signature. If a joint return, BOTH must sign. Date

Part IV Declaration of Electronic Return Originator (ERO) and Paid Preparer (See instructions.)

I declare that I have reviewed the above taxpayer's return and that the entries on Form 8453 are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

and have followed all other requirements described in Pub. 1345, Handbook for Electronic Filers of Individual Income Tax Returns (Tax Year 1993).

ERO's signature Date Check if also paid preparer Check if self-employed Your social security number
Firm's name (or yours if self-employed) and address E.I. No. ZIP code

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the above taxpayer's return and accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete.

Paid Preparer's signature Date Check if self-employed Preparer's social security no.
Firm's name (or yours if self-employed) and address E.I. No. ZIP code

## Paperwork Reduction Act Notice

We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. You are required to give us the information. We need it to ensure that you are complying with these laws and to allow us to figure and collect the right amount of tax.

The time needed to complete and file this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average time is 15 minutes.

If you have comments concerning the accuracy of this time estimate or suggestions for making this form more simple, we would be happy to hear from you. You can write to both the **Internal Revenue Service**, Attention: Reports Clearance Officer, T:FP, Washington, DC 20224; and the **Office of Management and Budget**, Paperwork Reduction Project (1545-0936), Washington, DC 20503. **DO NOT** send this form to either of these offices. Instead, see **When and Where To File** below.

## When and Where To File

This form must be mailed to the service center where the electronic return was transmitted on the next working day after the ERO has received acknowledgment from the IRS that the return was accepted. Only the Andover, Austin, Cincinnati, Memphis, and Ogden Service Centers can accept electronically filed returns. For more details, get **Pub. 1345**, Handbook for Electronic Filers of Individual Income Tax Returns (Tax Year 1993). It contains step-by-step mailing instructions and complete addresses for each of these service centers.

## Line Instructions

**Declaration Control Number (DCN).** The DCN is a 14-digit number assigned by the ERO to each taxpayer's return. It must be clearly typed or printed in the top left corner of each Form 8453, one position per box, prior to shipment to the IRS. The ERO should enter this number only after the IRS has acknowledged receipt of the electronic portion of the return. The number should be entered as follows:

Boxes	Entry
1-2	File Identification number (always "00")
3-8	Electronic filer identification number (EFIN) assigned by the IRS
9-11	Batch number (000 to 999) assigned by the ERO
12-13	Serial number (00 to 99) assigned by the ERO
14	Year digit (for 1994, the year digit is "4")

**Example.** The EFIN is 509325. The batch number is 000. The serial number is 56. The DCN should be 00-509325-00056-4.

## Name, Address, and Social Security

**Number.** If the taxpayer received a mailing label from the IRS, place the label in the name area. Cross out any errors and print the correct information. Add any missing items, such as apartment number. If the taxpayer

did not receive a label, print or type the information in the spaces provided. Please verify that the social security number (SSN) is clear and correct. If a joint return, be sure the names and SSNs are listed in the same order.

**P.O. Box.** If the post office does not deliver mail to the taxpayer's home and the taxpayer has a P.O. box, enter the box number instead of the home address.

**Note:** The address must match the address shown on the electronically filed Form 1040, Form 1040A, or Form 1040EZ.

## Part I—Tax Return Information

**Line 3.** Include any withholding from Form(s) 1099 in the amount you enter on line 3. Also, be sure to check the box on line 3.

**Line 5.** For balance due returns, do not attach the check or money order to Form 8453. Instead, mail it with **Form 9282** to the service center address shown on that form.

## Part II—Direct Deposit of Refund

Taxpayers can elect to have their refund directly deposited by completing Part II.

**Line 7.** The routing transit number (RTN) must contain nine digits. If the RTN does not begin with 01 through 12 or 21 through 32, the Direct Deposit request will be rejected.

**Line 8.** The depositor account number (DAN) can contain up to 17 alphanumeric characters. Include hyphens but omit spaces and special symbols. If fewer than 17 characters, enter the number from left to right and leave the unused boxes blank.

**Line 10.** To be eligible for Direct Deposit, taxpayers must provide proof of account ownership to their ERO. An acceptable proof of account ownership is a check, form, report, or other statement generated by the financial institution that has the taxpayer's name, RTN of the financial institution, and the depositor account number preprinted on it.

For accounts that are **payable through a financial institution** other than the one at which the account is located, the taxpayer must provide a document, such as an account statement or account identification card, showing the RTN of the bank or institution where the account is located. A deposit slip should not be used to verify the RTN and account number because it can contain internal routing numbers that are not part of the RTN.

If there is any doubt about the correct RTN, the taxpayer should contact the financial institution and ask for the correct RTN for Direct Deposit (Electronic Funds Transfers).

**Note:** Some financial institutions may not accept Direct Deposits into accounts that are payable through another bank or financial institution, including credit unions.

**Line 11.** The account designated to receive the Direct Deposit must be in the taxpayer's name. If the taxpayer's filing status on the return is married filing jointly, the account can be in either or both spouses' names. If the filing status is married filing separately, the account can be in the taxpayer's name, or it can be a joint account in both spouses' names.

**Note:** The account cannot include the name of any other person unless the taxpayer's filing status on the return is married filing jointly or married filing separately, and the taxpayer's spouse is the other name listed on the account.

Some financial institutions do not permit the deposit of a joint refund into an individual account. The IRS is not responsible when a financial institution refuses a Direct Deposit for this reason.

## Part III—Declaration of Taxpayer

An electronically transmitted income tax return will not be considered complete, and therefore, filed, unless and until a Form 8453 signed by the taxpayer is received by the IRS.

The taxpayer's signature allows the IRS to advise the ERO and/or the transmitter if a Direct Deposit election will not be honored. It also allows the IRS to disclose to the ERO and/or the transmitter the reason(s) for a delay in processing the return or refund.

If the ERO makes changes to the electronic return after Form 8453 has been signed by the taxpayer but before it is transmitted, the ERO must have the taxpayer complete and sign a corrected Form 8453 if either of the following applies:

- The total income on line 1 differs from the amount on the electronic return by more than \$25, or
- The total tax on line 2, the refund on line 4, or the amount owed on line 5 differs from the amount on the electronic return by more than \$7.

## Part IV—Declaration of Electronic Return Originator (ERO) and Paid Preparer

The ERO's signature is required by the IRS.

A paid preparer must sign Form 8453 in the space for **Paid Preparer's Use Only**. Only handwritten signatures are acceptable. But if the paid preparer is also the ERO, do not complete the paid preparer's section. Instead, check the box labeled "Check if also paid preparer."

**Refunds.** After the IRS has accepted the return, the refund should be issued within 3 weeks. If the taxpayer elects to have the refund directly deposited into a savings or checking account, the taxpayer's account may be credited even sooner.

**Automated Refund Information.** Refund information is available on Tele-Tax. See the instruction booklet for Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ for a list of Tele-Tax information telephone numbers. Tele-Tax will have refund information 3 weeks after the IRS has acknowledged receipt of the return.

If 4 weeks have passed and Tele-Tax doesn't have information about the refund, the taxpayer can call the telephone assistance number listed in the instruction booklet for Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ. Taxpayers will need to know the DCN and the acknowledgment date of their electronic return before calling for assistance.