Enter parent's tax from Form 1040, line 38; Form 1040A, line 23; Form 1040EZ, line 8; or Form 1040NR, line 37.

**Step 1** Figure child's net investment income

1. Enter child's investment income, such as taxable interest and dividend income. See instructions.
   - If this amount is $1,200 or less, **stop here**; do not file this form.
   - If the child DID NOT itemize deductions on Schedule A (Form 1040 or Form 1040NR), enter
   - $1,200. If the child ITEMIZED deductions, see instructions.
   - Subtract line 2 from line 1. If the result is zero or less, **stop here**; do not complete the rest of this form but ATTACH it to the child's return.
   - Enter child's **taxable** income from Form 1040, line 37; Form 1040A, line 22; or Form 1040NR, line 36.
   - Enter the **smaller** of line 3 or line 4 here.

**Step 2** Figure tentative tax based on the tax rate of the parent listed on line A

6. Enter parent's **taxable** income from Form 1040, line 37; Form 1040A, line 22; Form 1040EZ, line 6; or Form 1040NR, line 36. If the parent transferred property to a trust, see instructions.
7. Enter the total net investment income, if any, from Forms 8615, line 5, of ALL OTHER children of the parent identified above. **Do not** include the amount from line 5 above.
8. Add lines 5, 6, and 7.
9. Tax on line 8 based on the parent's filing status. See instructions. If from Schedule D Tax Worksheet, enter amount from line 4 of that worksheet here.
10. Enter parent's tax from Form 1040, line 38; Form 1040A, line 23; Form 1040EZ, line 8; or Form 1040NR, line 37. If from Schedule D Tax Worksheet, enter amount from line 4 of that worksheet here.
11. Subtract line 10 from line 9. If line 7 is blank, enter on line 13 the amount from line 11; skip lines 12a and 12b.
12a. Add lines 5 and 7.
12b. Divide line 5 by line 12a. Enter the result as a decimal (rounded to two places).
13. Multiply line 11 by line 12b.

**Step 3** Figure child's tax—If lines 4 and 5 above are the same, go to line 16 now.

14. Subtract line 5 from line 4.
15. Tax on line 14 based on the child's filing status. See instructions. If from Schedule D Tax Worksheet, enter amount from line 4 of that worksheet here.
16. Add lines 13 and 15.
17. Tax on line 4 based on the child's filing status. See instructions. If from Schedule D Tax Worksheet, check here.
18. Enter the larger of line 16 or line 17 here and on Form 1040, line 38; Form 1040A, line 23; or Form 1040NR, line 37. Be sure to check the box for "Form 8615" even if line 17 is more than line 16.
If the child had earned income, use the following worksheet to figure the amount to enter on line 1. But if the child files Form 2555, Foreign Earned Income, or Form 2555-EZ, Foreign Earned Income Exclusion, has a net loss from self-employment, or claims a net operating loss deduction, do not use the worksheet below. Instead, use the worksheet in Pub. 929 to figure the amount to enter on line 1.

Worksheet (keep a copy for your records)

1. Enter the amount from the child's Form 1040, line 23; Form 1040A, line 14; or Form 1040NR, line 24, whichever applies.
2. Enter the child's earned income (defined below) plus any deduction the child claims on Form 1040, line 28, or Form 1040NR, line 28, whichever applies.
3. Subtract line 2 from line 1. Enter the result here and on Form 8615, line 1.

Earned income includes wages, tips, and other payments received for personal services performed. Generally, earned income is the total of the amounts reported on Form 1040, lines 7, 12, and 19; Form 1040A, line 7; or Form 1040NR, lines 8, 13, and 20.

Line 2.—If the child itemized deductions, enter on line 2 the greater of:
- $600 plus the portion of the amount on Schedule A (Form 1040), line 26, or Schedule A (Form 1040NR), line 17, that is directly connected with the production of the investment income on Form 8615, line 1; or
- $1,200.

Line 6.—If the parent's taxable income is less than zero, enter zero on line 6. If the parent filed a joint return, enter the taxable income shown on that return even if the parent's spouse is not the child's parent. If the parent transferred property to a trust which sold or exchanged the property during the year at a gain, include any gain that was taxed to the trust under section 644 in the amount entered on line 6. Enter "Section 644" and the amount to the right of the line 6 entry. Also, see the instructions for line 10.

Line 9.—Figure the tax using the Tax Table, Tax Rate Schedules, or the Schedule D Tax Worksheet, whichever applies. If any net capital gain is included on lines 5, 6, and/or 7, the tax on the amount on line 8 may be less if the Schedule D Tax Worksheet can be used to figure the tax. See Pub. 929 for details on how to figure the net capital gain included on line 8 and how to complete the worksheet. The Schedule D Tax Worksheet should be used to figure the tax if:

- the parent's filing status is:
  - Single
  - Married filing jointly or Qualifying widow(er)
  - Married filing separately
  - Head of household
- the amount on Form 8615, line 9, is over:
  - $3,500
  - $9,150
  - $44,575
  - $76,400

If the Schedule D Tax Worksheet is used to figure the tax, enter on Form 8615, line 9, the amount from line 13 of that worksheet. Also, enter the amount from line 4 of that worksheet in the space next to line 9 of Form 8615.

Line 10.—If the parent filed a joint return, enter the tax shown on that return even if the parent's spouse is not the child's parent. If the parent filed Form 8814, enter "Form 8814" and the total tax from line 8 of Form(s) 8814 in the space next to line 10 of Form 8615.

If line 6 is less than any gain taxed to a trust under section 644, add the tax imposed under section 644(a)(2)(A) to the tax shown on the parent's return. Enter the total on line 10 instead of the tax from the parent's return. Also, enter "Section 644" next to line 10.

Line 15.—Figure the tax as the Tax Table, Tax Rate Schedule X, or the Schedule D Tax Worksheet, whichever applies. If line 14 is more than $53,500 and includes any net capital gain, the tax may be less if the Schedule D Tax Worksheet is used to figure the tax. See Pub. 929 for details on how to figure the net capital gain included on line 14 and how to complete the worksheet.

Line 17.—Figure the tax as if these rules did not apply. For example, if the child files Schedule D and can use the Schedule D Tax Worksheet to figure his or her tax, complete that worksheet.

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