

Sample article for organizations to use to reach customers (425 word count)

Post the following article on your websites and/or use in other communication vehicles to help your customers get the facts about late filing and late payment penalties.

You can make estimated tax payments online at IRS.gov

IRS [Direct Pay](#) is a free way to pay your [Form 1040-ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals](#), taxes. To meet the Sept. 15 deadline, you should make your payment through Direct Pay by 8 p.m. Eastern time, Sept. 14.

With Direct Pay, you can view details on your payment and you can change or cancel your payment using the *Look Up a Payment* feature up to two business days before the payment date.

All [online tax payment](#) options are fast and easy to use. If you choose IRS Direct Pay to pay your estimated taxes, you can also:

- make a scheduled payment on your installment agreement.
- pay the tax bill you receive in the mail.
- make a payment for the balance of your current year Forms [1040](#), [1040A](#) and [1040EZ](#) tax returns after you file.
- pay the balance on prior year tax returns.
- pay the balance on your Form 1040X, Amended Return, after it is filed.
- pay the balance on your [Form 5329, Additional Taxes on Qualified Plans \(Including IRAs\) and Other Tax-Favored Accounts](#).
- pay your Affordable Care Act [shared responsibility payment](#) with your amended 2014 tax return or in response to an audit adjustment, IRS notice or installment agreement.

Making tax payments online is much quicker than paying by mail, and you get confirmation that your payment has been submitted. The IRS doesn't keep your bank account number on file after your payment is made.

NOTE TO EDITOR: Below are links to help taxpayers find the information about

IRS.gov

- <http://www.irs.gov/Payments>

IRS YouTube videos:

IRS Tax Payment Options – [English](#) | [Spanish](#) | [ASL](#)

Publication:

[Publication 5034, Need to Make a Tax Payment?](#) English and Spanish

On Twitter? Send these Tweets:

Need to make a #taxpayment? #DirectPay is the easiest, quickest way for individuals to make #tax payments. <http://go.usa.gov/3B9WJ>

#IRSYouTube video explains #taxpayment options that are quick and easy. <http://go.usa.gov/3B9jk>

Try #IRS electronic payment options. <http://go.usa.gov/3B9jk> #taxpayment

#IRSDirectPay is the latest way for individual taxpayers to pay. Make a #taxpayment directly from your bank account. <http://go.usa.gov/3B9WJ>

#IRSDirectPay is free, secure and easy. Schedule a #tax payment in advance and pay direct from your check/savings account. <http://go.usa.gov/3B9WJ>

#IRS Publication 5034 - Need to make a tax payment? New flyer now available in English and Spanish. #IRSDirectPay #EFTPS <http://go.usa.gov/3B9Bh>