

Sample article for organizations to use to reach customers (411 Word Count)

Post the following article on your websites and/or use in other communication vehicles to help your customers get the facts about an automatic extension of time to file.

Make an electronic payment and get an automatic extension of time to file

An automatic extension of time to file will be processed when you pay all or part of your taxes electronically by April 18. There's no need to file a paper or electronic [Form 4868](#), Application for Automatic Extension of Time To File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return.

An [extension of time to file](#) is not an extension to pay. You can file up to six months later when you have an extension, but your taxes are still due by your original due date.

You can get an automatic extension when you make a payment with [Direct Pay](#), [Electronic Federal Tax Payment System](#) or by debit or credit card and select Form 4868 as the payment type.

When using electronic payment methods to get your filing extension, select Form 4868, enter the date to submit your payment, and you'll receive instant confirmation. Keep your confirmation for your records. The IRS offers several electronic payment options. You can pay online, by phone or from your mobile device. Go to [IRS.gov/Payments](#) for the payment options, telephone numbers, and easy secure ways to pay your tax.

When paying with your mobile device, use [IRS2Go](#). The app provides easy access to mobile-friendly payment options like IRS Direct Pay, offering you a free, secure way to pay directly from your bank account. You can also make a debit or credit card payment through an approved payment processor for a fee. Download IRS2Go from Google Play, the Apple App Store or Amazon, and make your payments anytime, anywhere.

All of the electronic payment options are quick, easy, and secure and can be used by individual taxpayers to apply for an automatic extension of time to file.

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NOTE TO EDITOR: Below are links to help taxpayers find more information about an automatic extension of time to file.

IRS.gov

- [Topic 304](#) - Extensions of Time to File Your Tax Return
- [Payment Options: Pay Online, Installment Plans and More](#)
- [Publication 5034, Need to make a tax payment?](#) (English and Spanish)

On Twitter? Send these Tweets:

- Need more time to file your #tax return? #IRS has several options for getting an extension. <http://go.usa.gov/cAcBF>