



**Wage & Investment**

*Assurance Testing System  
(ATS) Information  
for  
Modernized e-File  
Business Returns*



# ATS for Business Tax Returns

ATS will open for testing on October 29, 2018 for BMF tax returns that will be processed in 2019.



# Tax Year 2018 and 2019 94x ATS

- Tax Year 2018 will have 12 Annual scenarios and also includes the Online Filer PIN.
- Tax Year 2019 will have 6 Quarterly scenarios and also includes the Online Filer PIN.
- ATS scenarios will be available on the Modernized e-File (MeF) Assurance Testing System (ATS) Updates Webpage no later than October 1, 2018.

## **Note:**

- If the Tax Year 2018 (Annual) or 2019 (Quarterly) form version is not available, the prior year form will be used and the Summary Sheet of the scenario will be documented.
- The forms and schedules that will be included in the MeF 94x ATS are as follow: Forms – 940, 940PR, 941, 941PR, 941SS, 943, 943-A, 943PR, 944, 945 and 945-A, 8974, Schedule A (Form 940), Schedule B, and Schedule R.



# ATS for Corporate and Partnership Returns

## **Scenarios available Oct. 29**

Form 1120 – Scenario 1, 1 Alt, 2, 3\*, 4\*

Form 1120S – Scenarios 5, 6, 7, 8

Form 7004 – Scenarios 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

## **Scenarios available Dec. 9**

Form 1120 – Scenarios 3\*, 4\*, 10, 11

Form 1120F – Scenario 9

Form 1065 – Scenarios 1, 2, 3, 4

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# ATS for Corporate and Partnership Returns

For software developers who do not support Forms 926, 5471 Sch J, 1118, and 1118 Sch J, 1120 scenarios 3 and 4 can begin testing on Oct. 29, 2018.

If they support Forms 926 and 5471 Sch J, those forms will be available for testing in scenarios 3 and 4 on Dec. 9, 2018.

For software developers who support Forms 1118 and 1118 Sch J, testing will begin on a date to be determined.



# ATS for Estate and Trust Returns

## **Scenarios available Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>**

Scenarios 1, 2, 3, 5 & 6

## **Scenarios available Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>**

Scenario 4



## ATS for 720, 2290, 8849

ATS will open for testing on October 29, 2018 for business tax returns that will be processed in 2019.

- There are (3) scenarios for the 720 program this upcoming ATS season.
- There are (6) scenarios for the 8849 program this upcoming ATS season.
- Forms 720 and 8849 ATS scenarios will be available on [irs.gov](https://irs.gov) on September 28, 2018. Form 2290 Tax Year 2019 ATS Scenarios are expected to be available on [irs.gov](https://irs.gov) by June 1, 2019.



# *Reminders*

- You can test the available ATS forms and pass.
- Come back to test remaining forms that you support.
- ATS/Production Calls will begin after ATS opens.
- Utilize the ATS resources





# Resources

- ATS scenarios and Known Issues will be posted to IRS.gov.
- <https://www.irs.gov/e-file-providers/modernized-e-file-mef-assurance-testing-system-ats>
- Please forward general ATS related questions to the MeF Mailbox: [WI.MeF.MailBox@irs.gov](mailto:WI.MeF.MailBox@irs.gov), with a subject line of: "ATS Business TY2018".
- For questions concerning the test scenarios please contact the e-Help Desk at 1-866-255-0654