# Sample article for organizations to use to reach customers (424 word count)

Post the following article on your websites and/or use in other communication vehicles to help your customers learn about IRS electronic payment options.

## **IRS offers convenient payment options**

It's never been easier to pay your federal taxes. IRS offers several ways, and they are all available at <u>IRS.gov/payments</u>. With <u>IRS2Go</u>, you can pay with your bank account or with a debit or credit card on your mobile device. Download IRS2Go from Google Play, the Apple App Store or Amazon Appstore, and make your payments anytime, anywhere.

Here are just a few ways to pay.

#### For individuals:

You can make or schedule a payment, 30 days in advance, from your bank account using <u>IRS Direct Pay</u> in one single online session that's free and secure.

IRS Direct Pay offers various payment types including:

- Current or prior year 1040, 1040A or 1040EZ Forms
- Form 1040X, Amended Return
- An installment agreement payment
- Form 5329, Additional Taxes on Qualified Plans (Including IRAs) and Other Tax-Favored Accounts

#### For businesses and individuals:

The <u>Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS)</u> is available. You must enroll to use this system. You can pay online or by phone at 800-555-4477.

As demand continues to grow, the IRS continues to add more options to improve the electronic payment process. You can sign up for email notifications when using IRS Direct Pay or EFTPS to pay your taxes. This email feature allows you to receive notifications about your payments in your personal email account.

Once you sign up, you'll receive notification messages that show:

- payment scheduled,
- payment cancellation,
- return of a payment,
- reminder for a scheduled payment,

- payment modified and
- address change confirmation.

EFTPS users can opt-in to receive email notifications when they enroll or update their enrollment. Direct Pay users can opt to receive email notifications each time they make a payment. To better protect you, there are no web links within the email notifications. If you see any links in an email about payments from the IRS, do not click on those links.

The IRS continues to remind all taxpayers to watch out for <u>email schemes</u>. You will only receive an email from IRS Direct Pay or EFTPS if you've requested the service. Report all unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS or an IRS-related function to <u>phishing@irs.gov</u>.

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**NOTE TO EDITOR:** Below are links to help taxpayers find the information they need.

### IRS.gov

• Publication 5034, Need to make a tax payment? English and Spanish