

## Sample article for organizations to use to reach customers (481 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.*

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### IRS offers convenient payment options

It's never been easier to make a tax payment. IRS offers several ways, and they are all available at [IRS.gov/payments](https://www.irs.gov/payments). Also, you can pay with your bank account and debit or credit card with your mobile device using [IRS2Go](https://www.irs.gov/irs2go). Download IRS2Go from Google Play, the Apple App Store or Amazon, and make your payments anytime, anywhere.

Here are just a few ways you can make a tax payment.

#### For individuals:

With IRS [Direct Pay](https://www.irs.gov/directpay), you can make or schedule a payment from your bank account in one, single online session that's secure, easy and free. You can make a payment for your current or prior year Forms [1040](https://www.irs.gov/1040), [1040A](https://www.irs.gov/1040a) or [1040EZ](https://www.irs.gov/1040ez) tax returns; pay the balance on your [Form 1040X](https://www.irs.gov/form1040x), Amended Return; make a scheduled payment on your [payment agreement](https://www.irs.gov/payment-agreement); pay the balance on your [Form 5329](https://www.irs.gov/form5329), Additional Taxes on Qualified Plans (Including IRAs) and Other Tax-Favored Accounts; and more.

#### For businesses and individuals:

The [Electronic Federal Tax Payment System \(EFTPS\)](https://www.irs.gov/eftps) is available. You must enroll to use this system. You can pay online or by phone at 1-800-555-4477.

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 with IRS [Direct Pay](https://www.irs.gov/directpay) or [EFTPS](https://www.irs.gov/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.

If you use EFTPS, you can opt-in to receive email notifications when you enroll or update your enrollment. If you use Direct Pay, you can opt to receive email notifications each time you 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 people to watch out for [email schemes](#). 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 [phishing@irs.gov](mailto:phishing@irs.gov).

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**NOTE TO EDITOR:** Below are links to help taxpayers find information about payments.

[Publication 5034, Need to make a tax payment?](#) In English and Spanish

**On Twitter? Send these Tweets:**

- #IRSDirectPay is free, secure and easy. Schedule a #tax payment; pay direct from your bank account. <http://go.usa.gov/3B9WJ>
- Need to make a tax payment? #IRSDirectPay #EFTPS <http://go.usa.gov/3B9Bh>
- Try #IRS electronic payment options. <http://go.usa.gov/3B9jk> #taxpayment