

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 get the facts about late filing and late payment penalties.

There are three easy ways to pay your taxes

It's never been easier to make a tax payment. There are three easy ways to pay your taxes. You can pay online, by phone or with the [IRS2Go app](#). You can view your options at [IRS.gov/payments](#).

With IRS [Direct Pay](#) you can pay immediately or schedule your payment in one single online session that's secure, easy and free. Here are some of the taxes you can pay:

- Current or prior year 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ tax returns
- Form 1040X, Amended Return
- Scheduled payment on your installment agreement
- [Form 5329](#), Additional Taxes on Qualified Plans (Including IRAs) and Other Tax-Favored Accounts

If you prefer to pay with a [debit or credit card](#) you can pay online or by phone through any of the authorized processors. Though the IRS does not charge a fee for this service, the card processors do.

Another option for both businesses and individuals is the [Electronic Federal Tax Payment System](#) (EFTPS). You must enroll to use this system. You can pay online or by phone at 1-800-555-3453. Businesses and individuals can schedule payments up to 365 days in advance. Scheduled payments can be changed or cancelled up to two business days in advance of the scheduled payment date.

You can use EFTPS to make all your federal tax payments, including income, employment, estimated and excise taxes. You can check up to 16 months of your EFTPS payment history online.

When paying with your mobile device use the IRS2Go app. It's the official smartphone app of the IRS. Simply 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, secure and much faster than mailing a check or money order.

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

IRS Publication:

- [Publication 5034, Need to Make a Payment?](#)

Tweets:

- Need to make a #taxpayment? #DirectPay is the easiest, quickest way for individuals to make #tax payments. <http://go.usa.gov/3B9WJ>
- Try #IRS electronic payment options. <http://go.usa.gov/3B9jk> #taxpayment
- #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? flyer is available in English and Spanish. #IRSDirectPay #EFTPS <http://go.usa.gov/3B9Bh>