

Sample article for organizations to use to reach customers (457 word count)

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

Try electronic payment options if you owe taxes

If you find that you owe taxes when you're filing your return, you'll need to pay what you owe by April 17, 2018, to avoid interest and penalties. For a safe and easy way to pay, use an IRS electronic payment option and pay online, by phone or with your mobile device using the [IRS2Go app](#).

[Electronic Funds Withdrawal](#) allows you to e-file and pay when you're using tax preparation software or a tax professional. With EFW, you can set up a direct debit payment from your bank account for the taxes you owe and up to four estimated payments.

Another option is [IRS Direct Pay](#); it's free and lets you pay from your checking or savings account. With Direct Pay, you can change or cancel your payment using the Look Up a Payment feature up to two business days before the payment date. You can opt in to receive email notifications about your payment. To access Direct Pay go to [IRS.gov/payments](#) or use the IRS2Go app.

Do you prefer to pay by debit or credit card? If so, you can pay online, by phone or with IRS2Go through authorized debit and credit card processors. Though the IRS does not charge a fee for this service, there is a fee from the card processors. Visit [IRS.gov/payments](#), click debit or credit card for authorized card processors and their phone numbers.

If you need to pay with cash, PayNearMe may be the answer for you. You can make a payment without the need of a bank account or credit card at more than 7,000 7-Eleven stores nationwide. To pay with cash, first visit [IRS.gov/paywithcash](#) and follow the instructions.

When you access your account information on [IRS.gov/account](#), you'll see taxes you owe, your payment history, and you can pay by bank account, debit or credit card or apply for a payment plan. You can also view your federal tax records and key tax return information that you may need when you e-file.

Consider something different, if you normally pay by check or money order, use one of the safe and secure electronic payment options offered at [IRS.gov/payments](#).

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

On Twitter? Send these Tweets:

- Need to make a tax payment? #IRSDirectPay #EFTPS <http://go.usa.gov/3B9Bh>

- Try #IRS electronic payment options. <http://go.usa.gov/3B9jk>
- View your account online to get key tax return information needed to file <http://go.usa.gov/x8DS5>