

QuickAlerts Messages May 2022

QuickAlerts – May 4, 2022

Subject: Migration of e-Services Sign In

Many of the IRS online services applications have already switched to a new authentication platform. New users for those applications create an account via a trusted technology provider, ID.me, instead of the legacy IRS system. ID.me specializes in digital identity protection and helps us make sure you're you—and not someone pretending to be you—before we give you access to your information. You'll be able to use your account across multiple IRS tools and at other government agencies that also use ID.me.

In the summer of 2022, the IRS plans to migrate the e-Services suite of tax professional online applications and products behind ID.me. These products and applications will be impacted:

- Affordable Care Act (ACA) for Transmitter Control Code (TCC)
- Application Program Interface (API) Client ID Application
- e-File Application
- Information Returns (IR) for TCC
- Income Verification Express Service (IVES) Application
- State Applications (State EFIN and TDS State)
- TIN Matching, including Bulk and Interactive TIN Matching
- Transcript Delivery System (TDS)
- Secure Object Repository (SOR)
- Modernized e-File (MeF)
- ACA Information Returns (AIR)

While e-Services applications won't use ID.me until this summer, you can get ready for the migration and set up an ID.me account now using [Tax Pro Account](#).

If you need to create a Secure Access account for e-Services now but can't authenticate your identity through the online Secure Access process, contact the e-Help Desk for assistance. If the e-Help Desk can't assist you in creating your account, they'll advise you to make an appointment at a Taxpayer Assistance Center (TAC) to prove your identity in person. You must complete your in person proofing and contact the e-Help Desk back by June 15, 2022, for your account to be created. If you can't complete this

process by June 15, 2022, you must wait for the e-Services migration to ID.me.

QuickAlerts – May 12, 2022

Subject: New Form 1040 Business Rules and Schema are Available

Attention: Software Developers, Return Transmitters and Authorized IRS e-File Providers/EROs

Tax Year 2021/Processing Year 2022 Business Rules and Schema Updates

- Form 1040 Series 2021v5.3

Software Developers and State organizations may download Modernized e-File (MeF) schemas and business rules from their e-Services mailbox. To access these files, you must have:

- An active e-Services account
- An e-File application with the Software Developer or State provider option with the associated tax type of 1040, 2350, 4868, 56 or 9465

Please visit the [Modernized e-File \(MeF\) Schemas and Business Rules](#) page on IRS.gov for more information about MeF Schemas and Business Rules.

You may have several messages in your account. Please open all of them to find the set you would like to download. After 30 days the messages are purged. If you have the appropriate role and do not have these files available for download within 48 hours, please contact the [MeF Mailbox](#) with the Company Name, ETIN and Schema Package(s) with Tax Year needed.

QuickAlerts – May 20, 2022

Subject: Modernized e-File (MeF) System Maintenance

All services except Send Submissions are currently unavailable for MeF Production and Testing Systems until further notice.

A QuickAlert will be issued once the system is operational.

Please monitor the [MeF Operational Status](#) page for any future updates.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

QuickAlerts – May 20, 2022

Subject: Modernized e-File (MeF) System Maintenance Update

The MeF systems maintenance is complete and all systems are ready for all transactions.

Please monitor the [MeF Operational Status](#) page for any future updates.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.

QuickAlerts – May 26, 2022

Subject: Modernized e-File (MeF) Extended Maintenance Window

All services except "SendSubmissions" will not be available for MeF Production and Testing Systems on Sunday, May 29, 2022, from 12:01 am. until 3:00 pm. Eastern time.

Please monitor the [MeF Operational Status](#) page for any future updates.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

QuickAlerts – May 27, 2022

Subject: Scheduled Maintenance for the Affordable Care Act Information Returns (AIR) Assurance Testing System (AATS) and Production Environments

The AIR Production and ACA Assurance Testing System (AATS) environment will undergo scheduled maintenance on Saturday, May 28, 2022, starting at 7:00 a.m. Eastern time, until 9:00 p.m. Eastern time.

The AIR Production and ACA Assurance Testing System (AATS) environments will be unavailable for an additional 3 hours for routine maintenance on Sunday, May 29, 2022 from 12:01 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Eastern time.

Please refrain from accessing the AIR AATS and Production environments during these timeframes.

Please monitor the [AIR Operational Status](#) page for any updates.

Thank you for your patience. We apologize for any inconvenience.
