

QuickAlerts Messages

November 2022

QuickAlerts – November 1, 2022

Subject: Modernized e-File (MeF) Maintenance Window

The MeF Production System will be unavailable on Saturday, November 5, 2022, from 7:00 am. until 5:00 p.m. Eastern time. Please refrain from accessing the MeF Production System during this maintenance window. Please monitor the MeF Operational Status page for any future updates. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

QuickAlerts – November 10, 2022

Subject: Tax Year 2022 Publication 3112 is Available on IRS.gov

Attention: Software Developers, Return Transmitters and Authorized IRS e-file Providers/EROs Publication 3112, IRS e-file Application and Participation, is now available on IRS.gov. This revision replaces the previous edition revised November 2021.

Stay Informed and What You Need to Know are new sections which includes the following updates:

- New electronic fingerprinting process for e-file applicants
- New option to digitally upload support documentation
- Updated IRS e-file information for participants

This publication is a great way applicants and participants can stay up to date on the latest IRS e-file requirements.

QuickAlerts – November 10, 2022

Subject: Affordable Care Act (ACA) Information Returns (AIR) Shutdown/Cutover and Maintenance Schedule

Attention: AIR Participants - Transmitters, Software Developers and Issuers

Production

In order to prepare for Filing Season 2023/Tax Year 2022, the **AIR Production environment Shutdown/Cutover** for all transmissions, including corrections and replacements, will begin on:

Monday, December 5, 2022, at 7:00 a.m. Eastern time

Please do not attempt to access the AIR Production environment via the Application to Application (A2A) and User Interface (UI) Channels during the Shutdown/Cutover period.

We'll provide the **AIR Production environment Start-up** date/time at a later date via a QuickAlerts bulletin. An Alert will also be posted on the AIR Operational Status page.

AIR Assurance Testing System (AATS)

The **AIR AATS environment** will be unavailable due to scheduled maintenance from:

Monday, December 5, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. Eastern time until Friday, December 9, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Eastern time

Please do not attempt to access the AIR AATS environment via the Application to Application (A2A) and User Interface

(UI) Channels during the maintenance period.

Please monitor the AIR Operational Status page for any updates.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

QuickAlerts – November 14, 2022

Subject: New Form 1040 Series Business Rules and Schema are Available

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

Tax Year 2022 / Processing Year 2023 Schema and Business Rules Updates

Schema and Business Rules:

- Form 1040 Series 2022v5.0

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 – November 15, 2022

Subject: New Modernized e-File (MeF) Business Returns Schema and Business Rules are Available

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

Tax Year 2022/Processing Year 2023 Schemas and Business Rules are available.

Current Year Schemas and Business Rules:

- Form 720 TY 2023Q1v2.0
- Form 720 TY 2023Q2v2.0
- Form 720 TY 2023Q3v2.0
- Form 720 TY 2023Q4v2.0
- 94x Annual TY 2022v2.0
- 94x Quarterly TY 2023Q1v2.0

- 94x Quarterly TY 2023Q2v2.0
- 94x Quarterly TY 2023Q3v2.0
- 94x Quarterly TY 2023Q4v2.0
- Form 990-T TY 2022v5.0
- Form 990x TY 2022v4.0
- Form 1041 TY 2022v5.0
- Form 1065 TY 2022v4.0
- Form 1120-POL TY 2022v5.0
- Form 1120x TY 2022v5.0
- Form 2290 TY 2022v2.0
- Form 4720 TY 2022v2.0
- Form 5227 TY 2022v3.0
- Form 5330 TY 2022v2.0
- Form 8038-CP TY 2023v2.0

Prior Year Business Rules Change Pages (only):

- 94x Quarterly TY 2022Q2v3.0
- 94x Quarterly TY 2022Q3v3.0
- 94x Quarterly TY 2022Q4v3.0
- Form 1041 TY 2020v3.3
- Form 1041 TY 2021v4.2
- Form 1120x TY 2020v5.3
- Form 1120x TY 2021v4.3

Please visit the Modernized e-file (MeF) Schemas and Business Rules page on [IRS.gov](https://www.irs.gov) for more information about Schemas and Business Rules.

Software Developers and State organizations may download Schemas and Business Rules from their e-Services mailbox. To access these files, the following is needed:

- Active e-Services account

- Listed on an e-File application with the provider option of Software Developer or State
- Software Developer must have associated tax type(s) of 720, 94x, 990-T, 990x, 1041,1065,1120-POL, 1120x, 4720, 5227, 5330 and 8038-CP.

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QuickAlerts – November 16, 2022

Subject: Reminder - 1040 Modernized e-File (MeF) Production Shutdown

1040 MeF Production Shutdown Schedule

Shutdown begins on Saturday, November 26, 2022, at 11:59 p.m. Eastern time, to prepare the system for the upcoming Tax Year 2022 Filing Season.

Important Note: Only "Send Submissions" for 1040 (both State and Federal) will be affected by this shutdown, all other services such as "Get Acks" and all state services will not be affected by the shutdown and users should be able to continue to use those services.

Shutdown Deadlines on Saturday, November 26, 2022

Transmitters:

Transmitting 1040 Submissions (State & Federal) 11:59 p.m. Eastern time.

Important Note: Business (BMF) returns are not impacted by this IMF Production Shutdown schedule.

The BMF Production Shutdown schedule will be communicated in a QuickAlerts bulletin, outlining the exact timeframes, in early December and the times will be posted on the MeF Operational Status page.

Please monitor the MeF Operational Status page for any updates. We apologize for any inconveniences and thank you for your cooperation.

QuickAlerts – November 28, 2022

Subject: New Form 1040 Series Business Rules and Schema are Available

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

Tax Year 2022 / Processing Year 2023 Schema and Business Rules Updates

Schema and Business Rules:

- Form 1040 Series 2022v5.1

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- 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 – November 29, 2022

Subject: New Modernized e-File (MeF) Business Returns Schema and Business Rules are Available

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

Tax Year 2022/Processing Year 2023 Schemas and Business Rules are available.

Current Year Schemas and Business Rules:

- Form 720 Q1 2023v2.1
- Form 720 Q2 2023v2.1
- Form 720 Q3 2023v2.1
- Form 720 Q4 2023v2.1
- 94x Quarterly 2023v2.1
- Form 990x 2022v4.1
- Form 990-T 2022v6.0
- Form 1041 2022v5.1
- Form 1065 2022v4.1
- Form 1120-POL 2022v6.0
- Form 4720 2022v3.0
- Form 5227 2022v4.0
- Form 5330 2022v3.0
- Form 8038-CP 2023v3.0
- Form 8849 2023v1.1

Current Year Business Rules Only:

- Form 1120x 2022v5.0 (updated)

Current Year Schemas Only:

- Form 1120x 2022v5.1 (no Business Rule updates for 5.1)

Prior Year Schema and Business Rules:

- Form 720 Q4 2022v3.1

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

Software Developers and State organizations may download Schemas and Business Rules from their e-Services mailbox. To access these files, the following is needed:

- Active e-Services account
- Listed on an e-File application with the provider option of Software Developer or State
- Software Developer must have associated tax type(s) of 720, 94x, 990-T, 990x, 1041,1065,1120-POL, 1120x, 4720, 5227, 5330, 8038-CP and 8849.

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 – November 29, 2022

Subject: Update - Affordable Care Act (ACA) Information Returns (AIR) Shutdown/Cutover and Maintenance Schedule

Attention: AIR Participants - Transmitters, Software Developers and Issuers

Production

In order to prepare for Filing Season 2023/Tax Year 2022, the **AIR Production environment Shutdown/Cutover** for all transmissions, including corrections and replacements, will begin on:

Sunday, December 4, 2022, 12:01 a.m. (midnight) Eastern time

Please do not attempt to access the AIR Production environment via the Application to Application (A2A) and User Interface (UI) channels during the Shutdown/Cutover period.

We'll provide the **AIR Production environment Start-up** date/time at a later date via a QuickAlerts bulletin. An Alert will also be posted on the [AIR Operational Status](#) page.

AIR Assurance Testing System (AATS)

The **AIR AATS environment** will be unavailable due to scheduled maintenance from:

Sunday, December 4, 2022, 12:01 a.m. (midnight) Eastern time until Friday, December 9, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Eastern time

Please do not attempt to access the AIR AATS environment via the A2A and UI channels during the maintenance period.

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

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

QuickAlerts – November 30, 2022

Subject: Business Modernized e-File (MeF) Production Shutdown

To prepare the system for the upcoming Filing Season for Tax Year 2022 and ensure that all Business Returns for the Tax Year 2021 e-filed through the MeF system are processed timely, the following Production shutdown and acknowledgment retrieval schedule has been established.

Business MeF Production Shutdown Schedule

Shutdown for "Send Submissions" only is scheduled to begin at 11:59 a.m. (noon) Eastern time, Monday, December 26, 2022.

Transmitters can continue to use the other service requests except "Send Submissions" until 11:59 p.m. (midnight) Eastern time, Monday, December 26, 2022.

States can continue to use all the service requests necessary to retrieve and process state submissions in accordance with shutdown activities stated above. MeF recommends that states adjust their processing schedule in order to retrieve submissions in time to validate returns and submit acknowledgements.

Any acknowledgements not retrieved by 11:59 p.m. Eastern time on December 26th cannot be accessed until MeF opens for production in January 2023.

Please note: MeF ATS (Assurance Testing System) will be operational during this cutover.

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

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.
