QuickAlertsMessages July 2023

QuickAlerts – July 13, 2023

Subject: Reminder - Phase 2 of the Information Returns (IR) Application for Transmitter Control Code (TCC) Transition

Audience: Payroll Industry, Tax Professionals, Small Business and Self Employed, Tax Exempt and Government Entities, Financial Institutions

Customers must take action **now** to keep their existing TCCs active.

The IRS is continuing its transition to the new Information Returns TCC (IR-TCC) Application for Filing Information Returns Electronically (FIRE) for customers who received their TCC(s) prior to September 26, 2021.

FIRE TCC holders who submitted their TCC Application prior to September 26, 2021, must submit and complete the IR-TCC Application by August 1, 2023. Your TCC will remain active for use until August 1, 2023. After that date, any FIRE TCC that does not have a completed IR-TCC Application will be dropped and will not be available for e-file. Visit Filing Information Returns Electronically (FIRE), 'What's New' – IR TCC Application for FIRE, for more information.

What are the benefits?

The online application allows easier application updates, including requesting additional TCCs, and provides more control over who has access to your TCC(s).

What do you need to do?

- Prior to August 1, 2023, take the following steps:
 - o Validate your identity using the current IRS Credential Service Provider (CSP) if you've not already done so.
 - Log into the IR Application for TCC.
 - Complete the online application.

Note: Your TCC(s) issued prior to September 26, 2021, will automatically be added to your completed application.

We encourage you to complete the transition as soon as possible.

QuickAlerts-July 20, 2023

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 2023 and 2024/ Processing Year 2024 Schemas and Business Rules are available.

Current Year Schemas and Business Rules:

•	Form 1120x	2023v2.0
•	Form 1065	2023v2.0

• Form 990x	2023v2.0
• Form 990-T	2023v2.0
• Form 1120-POL	2023v2.0
• Form 1041	2023v2.0

Current Year Business Rules Change Pages (only):

• Form 94x	2023v1.0
• Form 720	2024v1.0
• Form 2290	2023v1.0

Form 1120x

Prior Year Business Rules Change Pages (only):

2022v5.2

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• Form 1120x	2021v4.3
• Form 1065	2022v4.2
• Form 1065	2021v4.4
• Form 1041	2022v6.0
• Form 1041	2021v4.3
• Form 94x	2022v2.0
 Form 720 Qtr.1 	2023v2.2
• Form 720 Qtr.2-4	2023v3.0
 Form 720 Qtr.1 	2022v2.1
 Form 720 Qtr.2 	2022v2.2
 Form 720 Qtrs. 3&4 	2022v3.1
• Form 2290	2022v2.0

Note: If only minor changes occur, Software Developers are not required to use the new version. If the major number changes, all software must reflect the new version.

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 an associated tax type of 1120x, 1065, 990x, 990-T, 1120-POL, 1041, 94x,720, 2290.

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 – July 20, 2023

Subject: Form 1040 Series Business Rules and Schema are Available

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

Tax Year 2023 / Processing Year 2024 Business Rules and Schema

Form 1040 Series 2023v2.0

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 <u>Modernized e-File (MeF) Schemas and Business Rules</u> 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. Please note we have increased the time the schemas are stored in the mailbox. We are now storing the schemas for 60 days instead of 30 before the messages are purged. If you have the appropriate role and do not have these files available for download within 48 hours, please contact irs.e-helpmail@irs.gov with the Company Name, ETIN and Schema Package(s) with Tax Year needed.

QuickAlerts – July 24, 2023

Subject: Information Returns (IR) Application for Transmitter Control Code (TCC) for Non-U.S. Form 1042-S Filers

Audience: Payroll Industry, Tax Professionals, Small Business and Self Employed, Tax Exempt and Government Entities, Financial Institutions

The IRS is aware that non-U.S. individuals who are acting on behalf of their non-U.S. employer (e.g., Foreign Entities, Foreign Financial Institutions, Qualified Intermediaries, etc.) may not be able to complete the Filing Information Returns Electronically (FIRE) Information Returns (IR) Application for Transmitter Control Code (TCC). The IR Application for TCC requires a Social Security number (SSN) or Individual Tax Identification Number (ITIN) for system access and individual authentication. If you cannot complete your application by August 1, 2023, your Form 1042-S TCC will remain available for filing. The IRS continues to explore other ways for taxpayers to authenticate their identities, including a government-sponsored option.

Non-U.S. entities with an existing Form 1042-S TCC cannot update entity information on their current TCC application. This will not prohibit you from filing; however, you will need to continue accessing the FIRE System using your existing FIRE TCC account information.

If you have other TCCs, such as a TCC for Forms 1099, they will not remain active for filing. To retain those TCCs, you must complete an IR Application for TCC by August 1, 2023.

To complete an IR application for TCC

- Validate your identity using the current IRS Credential Service Provider (CSP).
- Log into the <u>IR Application for TCC</u>.
- Complete the online application.

Note: Until the application is in 'Completed' status, you must select 'Individual' on the 'Select Your Organization' page.

Visit Filing Information Returns Electronically (FIRE), 'What's New' – IR TCC Application for FIRE, for more information.

Form 1040 Series 2022v5.3

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 <u>Modernized e-File (MeF) Schemas and Business Rules</u> page on IRS.gov for more information about MeF Schemas and Business Rules.

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