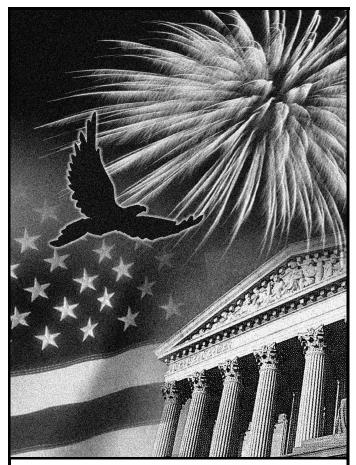


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What's New

COBRA premium assistance credit extended. The credit for COBRA premium assistance payments has been extended. It now applies to premiums paid for employees terminated before March 1, 2010, and to premiums paid for 15 months. See COBRA premium assistance credit on page 7.

Employers can choose to file Forms 941 instead of Form 944 for 2010. Beginning with tax year 2010, employers that would otherwise be required to file Form 944 can notify the IRS if they want to file quarterly Form 941 instead of annual Form 944. See Revenue Procedure 2009-51 for more information.

Verifying social security numbers. Starting in fall 2009, the Social Security Administration (SSA) will no longer manually verify Social Security numbers (SSNs) over the telephone. SSA now offers an automated telephone service, Telephone Number Employer Verification (TNEV), that lets employers and authorized reporting agents verify up to 10 employee names and SSNs. For more information, see Verification of social security numbers. in section 4.

Withholding income taxes on the wages of nonresident alien employees. A new procedure applies to figure the amount of income tax to withhold from the wages of nonresident alien employees for wages paid in 2010. See Withholding income taxes on the wages of nonresident alien employees in section 9.

Optional additional withholding adjustment for Pensions. An optional procedure and additional withholding tables are provided for figuring the amount of income tax to withhold from pension payments.

Social security and Medicare tax for 2010. Do not withhold social security tax after an employee reaches \$106,800 in social security wages, which remains unchanged from 2009. There is no limit on the amount of wages subject to Medicare tax. Social security and Medicare taxes apply to the wages of household workers you pay \$1,700 or more in cash. Social security and Medicare taxes apply to election workers who are paid \$1,500 or more.

Calendar

The following is a list of important dates. Also see Publication 509, Tax Calendars.



If any date shown below for filing a return, furnishing a form, or depositing taxes falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or federal holiday, use the next

business day. A statewide legal holiday delays a filing due date only if the IRS office where you are required to file is located in that state. For any due date, you will meet the "file" or "furnish" requirement if the envelope containing the return or form is properly addressed, contains sufficient postage, and is postmarked by the U.S. Postal Service on or before the due date, or sent by an IRS-designated private delivery service on or before the due date. See Private Delivery Services on page 5 for more information.

By January 31

Furnish Forms 1099 and W-2. Furnish each employee a completed Form W-2, Wage and Tax Statement. Furnish each other payee a completed Form 1099 (for example, Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income).

File Form 941 or Form 944. File Form 941, Employer's QUARTERLY Federal Tax Return, for the fourth quarter of the previous calendar year and deposit any undeposited income, social security, and Medicare taxes. You may pay these taxes with Form 941 if your total tax liability for the quarter is less than \$2,500. File Form 944, Employer's ANNUAL Federal Tax Return, for the previous calendar year instead of Form 941 if the IRS has notified you in writing to file Form 944 and pay any undeposited income,

social security, and Medicare taxes. You may pay these taxes with Form 944 if your total tax liability for the year is less than \$2,500. For additional rules on when you can pay your taxes with your return, see <u>Payment with return</u> on page 20. If you timely deposited all taxes when due, you have 10 additional calendar days from the due date above to file the appropriate return.

File Form 940. File Form 940, Employer's Annual Federal Unemployment (FUTA) Tax Return. However, if you deposited all of the FUTA tax when due, you have 10 additional calendar days to file.

File Form 945. File Form 945, Annual Return of Withheld Federal Income Tax, to report any nonpayroll income tax withheld in 2008. If you deposited all taxes when due, you have 10 additional calendar days to file. See *Nonpayroll Income Tax Withholding* on page 4 for more information.

By February 15

Request a new Form W-4 from exempt employees. Ask for a new Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate, from each employee who claimed exemption from income tax withholding last year.

On February 16

Exempt Forms W-4 expire. Any Form W-4 previously given to you claiming exemption from withholding has expired. Begin withholding for any employee who previously claimed exemption from withholding, but has not given you a new Form W-4 for the current year. If the employee does not give you a new Form W-4, withhold tax as if he or she is single, with zero withholding allowances. See section 9 for more information. However, if you have an earlier Form W-4 for this employee that is valid, withhold based on the earlier Form W-4.

By February 28

File paper Forms 1099 and 1096. File Copy A of all paper Forms 1099 with Form 1096, Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns, with the IRS. For electronically filed returns, see *By March 31* below.

File paper Forms W-2 and W-3. File Copy A of all paper Forms W-2 with Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, with the Social Security Administration (SSA). For electronically filed returns, see <u>By March 31</u> below.

File paper Form 8027. File paper Form 8027, Employer's Annual Information Return of Tip Income and Allocated Tips, with the IRS. See <u>section 6</u>. For electronically filed returns, see *By March 31* next.

By March 31

File electronic Forms 1099, 8027, and W-2. File electronic Forms 1099 and 8027 with the IRS. File electronic Forms W-2 with the SSA. For information on reporting Form W-2 information to the SSA electronically, visit the Social Security Administration's Employer W-2 Filing Instructions & Information webpage at

www.socialsecurity.gov/employer. For information on filing information returns electronically with the IRS, see Publication 1220, Specifications for Filing Forms 1098, 1099, 5498, and W-2G Electronically, and Publication 1239, Specifications for Filing Form 8027, Employer's Annual Information Return of Tip Income and Allocated Tips Electronically.

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By April 30, July 31, October 31, and January 31

Deposit FUTA taxes. Deposit federal unemployment (FUTA) tax due if it is more than \$500.

File Form 941. File Form 941 and deposit any undeposited income, social security, and Medicare taxes. You may pay these taxes with Form 941 if your total tax liability for the quarter is less than \$2,500. If you timely deposited all taxes when due, you have 10 additional calendar days from the due dates above to file the return.

Before December 1

New Forms W-4. Remind employees to submit a new Form W-4 if their withholding allowances have changed or will change for the next year.

On December 31

Form W-5 expires. Form W-5, Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate, expires each year on December 31. Eligible employees who want to receive advance payments of the earned income credit next year must give you a new Form W-5.

Reminders

Electronic Filing and Payment

Now, more than ever before, businesses can enjoy the benefits of filing and paying their federal taxes electronically. Whether you rely on a tax professional or handle your own taxes, the IRS offers you convenient programs to make filing and payment easier.

Spend less time and worry on taxes and more time running your business. Use *e-file* and the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS) to your benefit.

- For *e-file*, visit *www.irs.gov* for additional information.
- For EFTPS, visit <u>www.eftps.gov</u> or call EFTPS Customer Service at 1-800-555-4477.
- For electronic filing of Forms W-2, visit www.socialsecurity.gov/employer.

Electronic funds withdrawal (EFW). If you file Form 940, Form 941, or Form 944 electronically, you can e-file and e-pay (electronic funds withdrawal) the balance due in a single step using tax preparation software or through a tax professional. However, **do not** use EFW to make federal tax deposits. For more information on paying your taxes using EFW, visit the IRS website at www.irs.gov and type e-pay in the search box. A fee may be charged to file electronically.

Credit and Debit Card Payments

You can use your American Express® Card, Discover® Card, MasterCard® card, Visa® card, or debit card to pay the balance due shown on Form 940, Form 941, Form 943, Form 944, and Form 945. To pay by credit or debit card, call toll-free or visit the website of any service provider listed below and follow the instructions. A convenience fee will be charged by the service provider. Fees vary between the providers. You will be told what the fee is during the transaction and you will have the option to either continue

or cancel the transaction. You can also find out what the fee will be by calling the provider's toll-free automated customer service number or by visiting the provider's website shown below. You may not use a credit or debit card to pay taxes that are required to be deposited.

- RBS WorldPay, Inc. 1-888-9-PAY-TAXTM (1-888-972-9829) 1-877-517-4881 (Customer Service) www.payUSAtax.com
- Official Payments Corporation 1-888-UPAY-TAXTM (1-888-872-9829) 1-877-754-4420 (Customer Service) www.officialpayments.com
- Link2Gov Corporation
 1-888-PAY-1040TM (1-888-729-1040)
 1-888-658-5465 (Customer Service)
 www.PAY1040.com

Forms in Spanish

You can provide Formulario W-4(SP), Certificado de Exención de Retenciones del Empleado, in place of Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate, to your Spanish-speaking employees. For more information, see Publicación 17(SP), El Impuesto Federal sobre los Ingresos (Para Personas Físicas). You can also provide Formulario W-5(SP), Certificado del Pago por Adelantado del Crédito por Ingreso del Trabajo, in place of Form W-5, Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate. For nonemployees, Formulario W-9(SP), Solicitud y Certificación del Número de Identificación del Contribuyente, may be used in place of Form W-9, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification.

Hiring New Employees

Eligibility for employment. You must verify each new employee is legally eligible to work in the United States. This will include completing the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification. You can get the form from USCIS offices or by calling 1-800-870-3676. Contact the USCIS at 1-800-375-5283, or visit the USCIS website at www.uscis.gov for further information.

New hire reporting. You are required to report any new employee to a designated state new hire registry. Many states accept a copy of Form W-4 with employer information added. Visit the Office of Child Support Enforcement website at www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cse/newhire for more information.

Income tax withholding. Ask each new employee to complete the 2010 Form W-4. See section 9.

Name and social security number. Record each new employee's name and number from his or her social security card. Any employee without a social security card should apply for one. See section 4.

Paying Wages, Pensions, or Annuities

Correcting Form 941 or Form 944. If you discover an error on a previously filed Form 941 or Form 944 after December 31, 2008, make the correction using new Form 941-X, Adjusted Employer's QUARTERLY Federal Tax Return or Claim for Refund, or Form 944-X, Adjusted Employer's ANNUAL Federal Tax Return or Claim for Refund. For errors discovered before January 1, 2009, taxpayers make corrections to Forms 941 and 944 using

Form 941c that is filed with Form 941 or Form 944, or with Form 843 to claim a refund or abatement. Forms 941-X and 944-X are stand-alone forms, meaning taxpayers can file them when an error is discovered, rather than wait until the end of the quarter or year to file Form 941c with Form 941 or 944. Forms 941-X and 944-X are now used by employers to claim refunds or abatements of employment taxes, rather than Form 843. See section 13 for more information.

Income tax withholding. Withhold federal income tax from each wage payment or supplemental unemployment compensation plan benefit payment according to the employee's Form W-4 and the correct withholding table. If you have nonresident alien employees, see Withholding income taxes on the wages of nonresident alien employees on page 16.

Withhold from periodic **pension and annuity payments** as if the recipient is married claiming three withholding allowances, unless he or she has provided Form W-4P, Withholding Certificate for Pension or Annuity Payments, either electing no withholding or giving a different number of allowances, marital status, or an additional amount to be withheld. Do not withhold on direct rollovers from qualified plans or governmental section 457(b) plans. See Section 9 and Publication 15-A, Employer's Supplemental Tax Guide. Publication 15-A includes information about withholding on pensions and annuities.

Zero wage return. If you have not filed a "final" Form 941 or Form 944, or are not a "seasonal" employer (see lines 16 and 17 of 2008 Form 941 (lines 18 and 19 of 2009 Form 941)), you must continue to file a Form 941 or Form 944 even for periods during which you paid no wages. IRS encourages you to file your "Zero Wage" Forms 941 or 944 electronically using IRS e-file at www.irs.gov/efile.

Information Returns

You may be required to file information returns to report certain types of payments made during the year. For example, you must file Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, to report payments of \$600 or more to persons not treated as employees (for example, independent contractors) for services performed for your trade or business. For details about filing Forms 1099 and for information about required electronic filing, see the 2010 General Instructions for Certain Information Returns (Forms 1098, 1099, 3921, 3922, 5498, and W-2G) for general information and the separate, specific instructions for each information return you file (for example, 2010 Instructions for Form 1099-MISC). Do not use Forms 1099 to report wages and other compensation you paid to employees; report these on Form W-2. See the Instructions for Forms W-2 and W-3 for details about filing Form W-2 and for information about required electronic filing. If you file 250 or more Forms 1099, you must file them electronically. If you file 250 or more Forms W-2, you must file them electronically. SSA will not accept Forms W-2 and W-3 filed on magnetic

Information reporting customer service site. The IRS operates the Enterprise Computing Center-Martinsburg, a centralized customer service site, to answer questions about reporting on Forms W-2, W-3, 1099, and other information returns. If you have questions related to reporting on information returns, call 1-866-455-7438 (toll free) or 304-263-8700 (toll call). The center can also be reached by email at mccirp@irs.gov. Call 304-267-3367 if you are a TDD/TYY user.

Nonpayroll Income Tax Withholding

Nonpayroll federal income tax withholding must be reported on Form 945, Annual Return of Withheld Federal

Employer Responsibilities: The following list provides a brief summary of your basic responsibilities. Because the individual circumstances for each employer can vary greatly, responsibilities for withholding, depositing, and reporting employment taxes can differ. Each item in this list has a page reference to a more detailed discussion in this publication.

	New Employees:			Quarterly (By April 30, July 31, October 31,	
		Page		and January 31):	Page
	Verify work eligibility of new employees	3		Deposit FUTA tax if undeposited amount	
	Record employees' names and SSNs from			is over \$500	. 31
	Social security cards	10		File Form 941 (pay tax with return if not	
	Ask employees for Form W-4	15		required to deposit)	. 26
	Each Payday:	.0		Annually (see <i>Calendar</i> for due dates):	
	Withhold federal income tax based on each			Remind employees to submit a new Form W-4	
_	employee's Form W-4	15	_	if they need to change their withholding	. 15
	Withhold employee's share of social security	10		Ask for a new Form W-4 from employees	10
_	and Medicare taxes	18	_	claiming exemption from income tax	
_		10		• •	16
	Include advance earned income credit payment		_	withholding	. 16
	in paycheck if employee requested it on			Reconcile Forms 941 (or Form 944) with Forms	
	Form W-5	19		W-2 and W-3	
	Deposit:			Furnish each employee a Form W-2	. 2
	 Withheld income tax 			File Copy A of Forms W-2 and the transmittal	
	 Withheld and employer social security taxes 			Form W-3 with the SSA	. 2
	Withheld and employer Medicare taxes	20		Furnish each other payee a Form 1099 (for	
	Note: Due date of deposit generally depends on			example, Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income)	2
	your deposit schedule (monthly or semiweekly)			File Forms 1099 and the transmittal Form	
	Annually (By January 31)		_	1096	. 2
	File Form 944 if required (pay tax with return if			File Form 940	_
_		26	_		. 31
	not required to deposit)	26		File Form 945 for any nonpayroll income tax	0
				withholding	. 2

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Income Tax. Form 945 is an annual tax return and the return for 2009 is due February 1, 2010. Separate deposits are required for payroll (Form 941 or Form 944) and nonpayroll (Form 945) withholding. Nonpayroll items include:

- Pensions (including distributions from governmental section 457(b) plans), annuities, and IRAs.
- Military retirement.
- Gambling winnings.
- Indian gaming profits.
- Certain government payments subject to voluntary withholding.
- Payments subject to backup withholding.

For details on depositing and reporting nonpayroll income tax withholding, see the Instructions for Form 945.

All income tax withholding reported on Forms 1099 or Form W-2G must also be reported on Form 945. All income tax withholding reported on Form W-2 must be reported on Form 941, Form 943, Form 944, or Schedule H (Form 1040).

Distributions from nonqualified pension plans and deferred compensation plans. Because distributions to participants from some nonqualified pension plans and deferred compensation plans (including section 457(b) plans of tax-exempt organizations) are treated as wages and are reported on Form W-2, income tax withheld must be reported on Form 941 or Form 944, not on Form 945. However, distributions from such plans to a beneficiary or estate of a deceased employee are not wages and are reported on Forms 1099-R; income tax withheld must be reported on Form 945.

Backup withholding. You generally must withhold 28% of certain taxable payments if the payee fails to furnish you with his or her correct taxpayer identification number (TIN). This withholding is referred to as "backup withholding."

Payments subject to backup withholding include interest, dividends, patronage dividends, rents, royalties, commissions, nonemployee compensation, and certain other payments you make in the course of your trade or business. In addition, transactions by brokers and barter exchanges and certain payments made by fishing boat operators are subject to backup withholding.



Backup withholding does not apply to wages, pensions, annuities, IRAs (including simplified employee pension (SEP) and SIMPLE retirement plans), section 404(k) distributions from an employee stock ownership plan (ESOP), medical savings accounts, beauty applied to the stock of the polyings accounts.

health savings accounts, long-term-care benefits, or real estate transactions.

You can use Form W-9 or Formulario W-9(SP) to request payees to furnish a TIN and to certify the number furnished is correct. You can also use Form W-9 or Formulario W-9(SP) to get certifications from payees they are not subject to backup withholding or they are exempt from backup withholding. The Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9 or Formulario W-9(SP) includes a list of types of payees who are exempt from backup withholding. For more information, see Publication 1281, Backup Withholding for Missing and Incorrect Name/TIN(s).

Recordkeeping

Keep all records of employment taxes for at least 4 years. These should be available for IRS review. Your records should include:

- Your employer identification number (EIN),
- · Amounts and dates of all wage, annuity, and pension payments,
- Amounts of tips reported to you by your employees,
- Records of allocated tips,
- The fair market value of in-kind wages paid,
- Names, addresses, social security numbers, and occupations of employees and recipients,
- Any employee copies of Forms W-2 and W-2c returned to you as undeliverable,
- Dates of employment for each employee,
- Periods for which employees and recipients were paid while absent due to sickness or injury and the amount and weekly rate of payments you or third-party payers made to them,
- Copies of employees' and recipients' income tax withholding allowance certificates (Forms W-4, W-4P, W-4(SP), W-4S, and W-4V),
- Copies of employees' Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificates (Forms W-5 and W-5(SP)),
- Dates and amounts of tax deposits you made and acknowledgment numbers for deposits made by EFTPS,
- Copies of returns filed, including 941TeleFile Tax Records (discontinued after June 2005) and confirmation numbers, and
- Records of fringe benefits and expense reimbursements provided to your employees, including substantiation.

Change of Address

To notify the IRS of a new business mailing address or business location, file Form 8822, Change of Address. Do not mail Form 8822 with your employment tax return. For information on how to change your address for deposit coupons, see *Making deposits with FTD coupons* in section 11.

Private Delivery Services

You can use certain private delivery services designated by the IRS to mail tax returns and payments. The list includes only the following:

- DHL Express (DHL): DHL Same Day Service.
- Federal Express (FedEx): FedEx Priority Overnight, FedEx Standard Overnight, FedEx 2Day, FedEx International Priority, and FedEx International First.
- United Parcel Service (UPS): UPS Next Day Air, UPS Next Day Air Saver, UPS 2nd Day Air, UPS 2nd Day Air A.M., UPS Worldwide Express Plus, and UPS Worldwide Express.

Your private delivery service can tell you how to get written proof of the mailing date.



Private delivery services cannot deliver items to P.O. boxes. You must use the U.S. Postal Service to mail any item to an IRS P.O. box address.

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Telephone Help

Additional employment tax information. Visit the IRS website at <u>www.irs.gov/businesses</u> and click on the *Employment Taxes* link.

Tax questions. You can call the IRS Business and Specialty Tax Line with your employment tax questions at 1-800-829-4933.

Help for people with disabilities. Telephone help is available using TTY/TDD equipment. You may call 1-800-829-4059 with any tax question or to order forms and publications. You may also use this number for assistance with unresolved tax problems.

Recorded tax information (TeleTax). The IRS TeleTax service provides recorded tax information on topics that answer many individual and business federal tax questions. You can listen to up to three topics on each call you make. Touch-Tone service is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. TeleTax topics are also available on the IRS website at www.irs.gov/taxtopics.

A list of employment tax topics is provided below. Select, by number, the topic you want to hear and call 1-800-829-4477. For the directory of all topics, select Topic 123.

Teletax Topics

Topic No.	Subject (These topics are available in Spanish)
752	Form W-2—Where, When, and How to File (Dónde, Cuándo y Cómo Presentar El La Formulario W-2)
753	Form W-4—Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate (Formulario W-4(SP)—Certificado de Excensión de Retenciones del Empleado)
754	Form W-5—Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate (Formulario W-5(SP)—Certificado del Pago por Adelantado del Crédito por Ingreso del Trabajo)
755	Employer Identification Number (EIN)—How to Apply (Como Solicitar Un Número de Identificación Patronal (EIN))
756	Employment Taxes for Household Employees (Impuestos Patronales para Empleados Domésticos)
757	Form 941 and Form 944—Deposit Requirements (Formulario 941 and Formulario 944— Requisitos de Depósito)
758	Form 941—Employer's QUARTERLY Federal Tax Return and Form 944— Employer's ANNUAL Federal Tax Return (Formulario 941-PR—Planilla para la Declaración Federal TRIMESTRAL del Patrono) (Formulario 944-PR-Planilla para la Declaración Federal ANUAL del Patrono)
759	Form 940—Deposit Requirements (Formulario 940—Requisitos de Depósito)
760	Form 940—Employer's Annual Federal Unemployment (FUTA) Tax Return

Topic No.	Subject (These topics are available in Spanish)
	(Formulario 940-PR—Planilla para la Declaración Federal Anual del Patrono de la Contibución Federal para el Desempleo)
761	Tips—Withholding and Reporting (Propinas—Declaración y Retención)
762	Independent Contractor vs. Employee (Contratista Independente vs. Empleado)

Ordering Employer Tax Products

You can order employer tax products and information returns online at www.irs.gov/businesses. To order 2009 and 2010 forms, select "Online Ordering for Information Returns and Employer Returns." You may also order employer tax products and information returns by calling 1-800-829-3676.

Instead of ordering paper Forms W-2 and W-3, consider filing them electronically using the Social Security Administration's (SSA) free e-file service. Visit SSA's Employer W-2 Filing Instructions & Information website at www.socialsecurity.gov/employer, select "Electronically File Your W-2s," and provide registration information. You will be able to create and file "fill-in" versions of Forms W-2 with SSA and can print out completed copies of Forms W-2 for filing with state and local governments, for distribution to your employees, and for your records. Form W-3 will be created for you based on your Forms W-2.

Contacting Your Taxpayer Advocate

The Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) is an independent organization within the IRS whose employees assist taxpayers who are experiencing economic harm, who are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, or who believe an IRS system or procedure is not working as it should.

You can contact TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059 to see if you are eligible for assistance. You can also call or write to your local taxpayer advocate, whose phone number and address are listed in your local telephone directory and in Publication 1546, Taxpayer Advocate Service – Your Voice at the IRS. You can file Form 911, Request for Taxpayer Advocate Service Assistance (And Application for Taxpayer Assistance Order), or ask an IRS employee to complete it on your behalf. For more information, go to www.irs.gov/advocate.

Filing Addresses

Generally, your filing address for Forms 940, 941, 943, 944, 945, and CT-1 depends on the location of your residence or principal place of business and whether or not you included a payment with your return. There are separate filing addresses for these returns if you are a tax-exempt organization or government entity. If you are located in the United States and do not include a payment with your return, you should file at either the Cincinnati or Ogden Service Centers. See the separate instructions for Forms 940, 941, 943, 944, 945, or CT-1 for the filing addresses or "Where To File" on the IRS website at www.irs.gov/business.

Photographs of Missing Children

The Internal Revenue Service is a proud partner with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. Photographs of missing children selected by the Center may

appear in this publication on pages that would otherwise be blank. You can help bring these children home by looking at the photographs and calling 1-800-THE-LOST (1-800-843-5678) if you recognize a child.

Introduction

This publication explains your tax responsibilities as an employer. It explains the requirements for withholding, depositing, reporting, paying, and correcting employment taxes. It explains the forms you must give to your employees, those your employees must give to you, and those you must send to the IRS and SSA. This guide also has tax tables you need to figure the taxes to withhold from each employee for 2010. References to "income tax" in this guide apply only to "federal" income tax. Contact your state or local tax department to determine if their rules are different.

Additional employment tax information is available in Publication 15-A, Employer's Supplemental Tax Guide. Publication 15-A includes specialized information supplementing the basic employment tax information provided in this publication. Publication 15-B, Employer's Tax Guide to Fringe Benefits, contains information about the employment tax treatment and valuation of various types of noncash compensation.

Most employers must withhold (except FUTA), deposit, report, and pay the following employment taxes.

- Income tax.
- Social security tax.
- Medicare tax.
- Federal unemployment tax (FUTA).

There are exceptions to these requirements. See section 15, *Special Rules for Various Types of Services and Payments*. Railroad retirement taxes are explained in the Instructions for Form CT-1.

Employer's liability. Employers are responsible for ensuring tax returns are filed and deposits and payments are made, even if the employer retains a third-party to perform those functions. The employer remains liable if the third party fails to perform a required action. Employers who enroll in EFTPS will be able to view EFTPS deposits and payments made on their behalf.

Federal Government employers. The information in this guide applies to federal agencies except for the rules requiring deposit of federal taxes only at Federal Reserve banks or through the FedTax option of the Government On-Line Accounting Link Systems (GOALS). See the Treasury Financial Manual (I TFM 3-4000) for more information.

State and local government employers. Payments to employees for services in the employ of state and local government employers are generally subject to federal income tax withholding but not federal unemployment (FUTA) tax. Most elected and appointed public officials of state or local governments are employees under common law rules. See chapter 3 of Publication 963, Federal-State Reference Guide. In addition, wages, with certain exceptions, are subject to social security and Medicare taxes. See section 15 of this guide for more information on the exceptions.

If an election worker is employed in another capacity with the same government entity, see Revenue Ruling 2000-6 on page 512 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2000-6 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb00-06.pdf.

You can get information on reporting and social security coverage from your local IRS office. If you have any questions about coverage under a section 218 (Social Security Act) agreement, contact the appropriate state official. To find your State Social Security Administrator, visit the National Conference of State Social Security Administrators website at www.ncsssa.org.

Disregarded entities and qualified subchapter S subsidiaries. The IRS has published final regulations section 301.7701-2(c)(2)(iv) under which QSubs and eligible single-owner disregarded entities are treated as separate entities for employment tax purposes. Under these regulations eligible single-member entities that have not elected to be taxed as corporations must report and pay employment taxes on wages paid to their employees after December 31, 2008, using the entities' own names and EINs. The disregarded entity will be responsible for its own employment tax obligations on wages paid after December 31, 2008. For wages paid before January 1, 2009, see Publication 15 (Circular E), For Use in 2008.

COBRA premium assistance credit. The Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA) provides certain former employees, retirees, spouses, former spouses, and dependent children the right to temporary continuation of health coverage at group rates. COBRA generally covers multiemployer health plans and health plans maintained by private-sector employers (other than churches) with 20 or more full and part-time employees. Parallel requirements apply to these plans under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). Under the Public Health Service Act, COBRA requirements apply also to health plans covering state or local government employees. Similar requirements apply under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program and under some state laws. For the premium assistance (or subsidy) discussed below, these requirements are all referred to as COBRA requirements.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) allows a credit against "payroll taxes" (referred to in this publication as "employment taxes") for providing COBRA premium assistance to assistance eligible individuals. For periods of COBRA continuation coverage beginning after February 16, 2009, a group health plan must treat an assistance eligible individual as having paid the required COBRA continuation coverage premium if the individual elects COBRA coverage and pays 35% of the amount of the premium.

An assistance eligible individual is a qualified beneficiary of an employer's group health plan who is eligible for COBRA continuation coverage during the period beginning September 1, 2008, and ending December 31, 2009, due to the involuntarily termination from employment of a covered employee during the period and elects continuation COBRA coverage. The assistance for the coverage can last up to 9 months. The Department of Defense Appropriations Act of 2010 (DDAA) extended the end of the eligibility period from December 31, 2009, to February 28, 2010. DDAA also extended the period of assistance from 9 months to 15 months.

Administrators of the group health plans (or other entities) that provide or administer COBRA continuation coverage must provide notice to assistance eligible individuals of the COBRA premium assistance. Any individual who became a COBRA premium assistance eligible individual on or after October 31, 2009, must be sent a notice about the extended provisions of DDAA.

The 65% of the premium not paid by the assistance eligible individuals is reimbursed to the employer maintaining the group health plan. The reimbursement is made through a credit against the employer's employment tax liabilities. The employer takes the credit on line 12a of Form 941 or line 11a of Form 944 once the 35% of the

premium is paid by or on behalf of the assistance eligible individual. The credit is treated as a deposit made on the first day of the return period (quarter or year). In the case of a multiemployer plan, the credit is claimed by the plan, rather than the employer. In the case of an insured plan subject to state law continuation coverage requirements, the credit is claimed by the insurance company, rather than the employer.

Anyone claiming the credit for COBRA premium assistance payments must maintain the following information to

support their claim, including the following.

- Information on the receipt of the assistance eligible individuals' 35% share of the premium including dates and amounts.
- In the case of an insurance plan, a copy of invoice or other supporting statement from the insurance carrier and proof of timely payment of the full premium to the insurance carrier required under COBRA.
- In the case of a self-insured plan, proof of the premium amount and proof of the coverage provided to the assistance eligible individuals.
- Attestation of involuntary termination, including the date of the involuntary termination for each covered employee whose involuntary termination is the basis for eligibility for the subsidy.
- Proof of each assistance eligible individual's eligibility for COBRA coverage and the election of COBRA coverage.
- A record of the SSNs of all covered employees, the amount of the subsidy reimbursed with respect to each covered employee, and whether the subsidy was for one individual or two or more individuals.

For more information, visit the IRS website at www.irs.gov and enter keywords COBRA Health Insurance Continuation Premium Subsidy.

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1. Employer Identification Number (EIN)

If you are required to report employment taxes or give tax statements to employees or annuitants, you need an em-

ployer identification number (EIN).

The EIN is a 9-digit number the IRS issues. The digits are arranged as follows: 00-0000000. It is used to identify the tax accounts of employers and certain others who have no employees. Use your EIN on all of the items you send to the IRS and SSA. For more information, get Publication 1635, Understanding Your EIN.

If you do not have an EIN, you may apply for one online. Go to the IRS website at www.irs.gov and click on the Apply for an Employer Identification Number (EIN) Online link. You may also apply for an EIN by calling 1-800-829-4933, or you can fax or mail Form SS-4 to the IRS. Do not use a social security number (SSN) in place of

You should have only one EIN. If you have more than one and are not sure which one to use, call 1-800-829-4933 (TTY/TDD users can call 1-800-829-4059). Give the numbers you have, the name and address to which each was assigned, and the address of your main place of business. The IRS will tell you which number to use.

If you took over another employer's business (see Successor employer in section 9), do not use that employer's EIN. If you have applied for an EIN but do not have your EIN by the time a return is due, write "Applied For" and the date you applied for it in the space shown for the number. See <u>Depositing without an EIN</u> in section 11 if you must make a tax deposit and you do not have an EIN.

2. Who Are Employees?

Generally, employees are defined either under common law or under statutes for certain situations. See Publication 15-A for details on statutory employees and nonemploy-

Employee status under common law. Generally, a worker who performs services for you is your employee if you have the right to control what will be done and how it will be done. This is so even when you give the employee freedom of action. What matters is that you have the right to control the details of how the services are performed. See Publication 15-A for more information on how to determine whether an individual providing services is an independent contractor or an employee.

Generally, people in business for themselves are not employees. For example, doctors, lawyers, veterinarians, construction contractors, and others in an independent trade in which they offer their services to the public are usually not employees. However, if the business is incorporated, corporate officers who work in the business are employees.

If an employer-employee relationship exists, it does not matter what it is called. The employee may be called an agent or independent contractor. It also does not matter how payments are measured or paid, what they are called, or if the employee works full or part time.

Statutory employees. If someone who works for you is not an employee under the common law rules discussed above, do not withhold federal income tax from his or her pay, unless backup withholding applies. Although the following persons may not be common law employees, they may be considered employees by statute for social security, Medicare, and FUTA tax purposes under certain condi-

- An agent (or commission) driver who delivers food, beverages (other than milk), laundry, or dry cleaning for someone else.
- A full-time life insurance salesperson who sells primarily for one company.
- A homeworker who works by guidelines of the person for whom the work is done, with materials furnished by and returned to that person or to someone that person designates.
- A traveling or city salesperson (other than an agent-driver or commission-driver) who works full time (except for sideline sales activities) for one firm or person getting orders from customers. The orders must be for items for resale or use as supplies in the

customer's business. The customers must be retailers, wholesalers, contractors, or operators of hotels, restaurants, or other businesses dealing with food or lodging.

Statutory nonemployees. Direct sellers, qualified real estate agents, and certain companion sitters are, by law, considered nonemployees. They are generally treated as self-employed for all federal tax purposes, including income and employment taxes.

Treating employees as nonemployees. You will generally be liable for social security and Medicare taxes and withheld income tax if you do not deduct and withhold these taxes because you treated an employee as a nonemployee. You may be able to calculate your liability using special section 3509 rates for the employee share of social security and Medicare taxes and the federal income tax withholding. The applicable rates depend on whether you filed required Forms 1099. You cannot recover the employee share of social security, or Medicare tax, or income tax withholding from the employee if the tax is paid under section 3509. You are liable for the income tax withholding regardless of whether the employee paid income tax on the wages. You continue to owe the full employer share of social security and Medicare taxes. The employee remains liable for the employee share of social security and Medicare taxes. See Internal Revenue Code section 3509 for details. Also see the Instructions for Form 941-X.

Section 3509 rates are not available if you intentionally disregard the requirement to withhold taxes from the employee or if you withheld income taxes but not social security or Medicare taxes. Section 3509 is not available for reclassifying statutory employees. See <u>Statutory employees</u> on page 9

ployees on page 9.

If the employer issued required information returns, the section 3509 rates are:

- For social security taxes; employer rate of 6.2% plus 20% of the employee rate of 6.2%, for a total rate of 7.44% of wages.
- For Medicare taxes; employer rate of 1.45% plus 20% of the employee rate of 1.45%, for a total rate of 1.74% of wages.
- For income tax withholding, the rate is 1.5% of wages.

If the employer did not issue required information returns, the section 3509 rates are:

- For social security taxes; employer rate of 6.2% plus 40% of the employee rate of 6.2%, for a total rate of 8.68% of wages.
- For Medicare taxes; employer rate of 1.45% plus 40% of the employee rate of 1.45%, for a total rate of 2.03% of wages.
- For income tax withholding, the rate is 3.0% of wages.

Relief provisions. If you have a reasonable basis for not treating a worker as an employee, you may be relieved from having to pay employment taxes for that worker. To get this relief, you must file all required federal tax returns, including information returns, on a basis consistent with your treatment of the worker. You (or your predecessor) must not have treated any worker holding a substantially similar position as an employee for any periods beginning after 1977. See Publication 1976, Do You Qualify for Relief Under Section 530?

IRS help. If you want the IRS to determine whether a worker is an employee, file Form SS-8, Determination of

Worker Status for Purposes of Federal Employment Taxes and Income Tax Withholding.

3. Family Employees

Child employed by parents. Payments for the services of a child under age 18 who works for his or her parent in a trade or business are not subject to social security and Medicare taxes if the trade or business is a sole proprietorship or a partnership in which each partner is a parent of the child. If these payments are for work other than in a trade or business, such as domestic work in the parent's private home, they are not subject to social security and Medicare taxes until the child reaches age 21. However, see *Covered services of a child or spouse* below. Payments for the services of a child under age 21 who works for his or her parent, whether or not in a trade or business, are not subject to federal unemployment (FUTA) tax. Although not subject to FUTA tax, the wages of a child may be subject to income tax withholding.

One spouse employed by another. The wages for the services of an individual who works for his or her spouse in a trade or business are subject to income tax withholding and social security and Medicare taxes, but not to FUTA tax. However, the payments for services of one spouse employed by another in other than a trade or business, such as domestic service in a private home, are not subject to social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes.

Covered services of a child or spouse. The wages for the services of a child or spouse are subject to income tax withholding as well as social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes if he or she works for:

- A corporation, even if it is controlled by the child's parent or the individual's spouse,
- A partnership, even if the child's parent is a partner, unless each partner is a parent of the child,
- A partnership, even if the individual's spouse is a partner, or
- An estate, even if it is the estate of a deceased parent.

Parent employed by child. The payments for the services of a parent employed by his or her child in a trade or business are subject to income tax withholding and social security and Medicare taxes. Social security and Medicare taxes do not apply to payments made to a parent for services not in a trade or business, but they apply to domestic services if:

- The parent cares for a child who lives with the parent's child and the child is under age 18 or requires adult supervision for at least 4 continuous weeks in a calendar quarter due to a mental or physical condition and
- The parent's son or daughter is a widow or widower, divorced, or living with a spouse who, because of a physical or mental condition that lasts at least 4 continuous weeks, cannot care for the child during such period.

Payments made to a parent employed by his or her child are not subject to FUTA tax, regardless of the type of services provided.

4. Employee's Social Security Number (SSN)

You are required to get each employee's name and SSN and to enter them on Form W-2. This requirement also applies to resident and nonresident alien employees. You should ask your employee to show you his or her social security card. The employee may show the card if it is available. You may, but are not required to, photocopy the social security card if the employee provides it. If you do not provide the correct employee name and SSN on Form W-2, you may owe a penalty unless you have reasonable cause. See Publication 1586, Reasonable Cause Regulations and Requirements for Missing and Incorrect Name/TINs, for information on the requirement to solicit the employee's SSN.

Applying for a social security card. Any employee who is legally eligible to work in the United States and does not have a social security card can get one by completing Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, and submitting the necessary documentation. You can get this form at SSA offices, by calling 1-800-772-1213, or from the SSA website at www.socialsecurity.gov/online/ss-5.html. The employee must complete and sign Form SS-5; it cannot be filed by the employer.

Applying for a social security number. If you file Form W-2 on paper and your employee applied for an SSN but does not have one when you must file Form W-2, enter "Applied For" on the form. If you are filing electronically, enter all zeros (000-00-000) in the social security number field. When the employee receives the SSN, file Copy A of Form W-2c, Corrected Wage and Tax Statement, with the SSA to show the employee's SSN. Furnish copies B, C, and 2 of Form W-2c to the employee. Up to five Forms W-2c for each Form W-3c may now be filed per session over the Internet, with no limit on the number of sessions. For more information, visit the SSA's Employer W-2 Filing Instructions & Information webpage at

www.socialsecurity.gov/employer. Advise your employee to correct the SSN on his or her original Form W-2.

Correctly record the employee's name and SSN. Record the name and number of each employee as they are shown on the employee's social security card. If the employee's name is not correct as shown on the card (for example, because of marriage or divorce), the employee should request a corrected card from the SSA. Continue to report the employee's wages under the old name until the employee shows you an updated social security card with the new name.

If the Social Security Administration issues the employee a replacement card after a name change, or a new card with a different social security number after a change in alien work status, file a Form W-2c to correct the name/SSN reported for the most recently filed Form W-2. It is not necessary to correct other years if the previous name and number were used for years before the most recent Form W-2.

IRS individual taxpayer identification numbers (ITINs) for aliens. Do not accept an ITIN in place of an SSN for employee identification or for work. An ITIN is only available to resident and nonresident aliens who are not eligible for U.S. employment and need identification for other tax purposes. You can identify an ITIN because it is a 9-digit number, beginning with the number "9" with either a "7" or "8" as the fourth digit and is formatted like an SSN (for example, 9NN-7N-NNNN).



An individual with an ITIN who later becomes eligible to work in the United States must obtain an SSN

Verification of social security numbers. The SSA offers employers and authorized reporting agents three methods for verifying employee SSNs. Some verification methods require registration. For more information, call 1-800-772-6270.

- Internet. Verify up to 10 names and numbers (per screen) online using the Social Security Number Verification Service (SSNVS) and receive immediate results, or upload batch files of up to 250,000 names and numbers and usually receive results the next business day. Visit www.ssa.gov/bso/bsowelcome and click on the Verify SSNs Online link.
- Telephone. Verify up to ten names and numbers with Telephone Number Employer Verification (TNEV) by calling 1-800-772-6270 or 1-800-772-1213.
- Paper. Verify up to 300 names and numbers by submitting a paper request. For information, see Appendix A in the SSNVS handbook at <u>www.social-</u> security.gov/employer/ssnvshandbk/appendix.

Registering for SSNVS and TNEV. You must register online and receive authorization from your employer to use SSNVS or TNEV. To register, visit SSA's website at www.ssa.gov/employer and click on the Business Services Online link. Follow the registration instructions to obtain a user Identification (ID) and password. You will need to provide the following information about yourself and your company:

- Name,
- SSN,
- Date of birth,
- Type of employer,
- Employer identification number (EIN),
- Company name, address, and telephone number and
- Email address.

When you have completed the online registration process, SSA will mail a one-time activation code to your employer. You must enter the activation code online to use SSNVS or TNEV.

5. Wages and Other Compensation

Wages subject to federal employment taxes generally include all pay you give to an employee for services performed. The pay may be in cash or in other forms. It includes salaries, vacation allowances, bonuses, commissions, and fringe benefits. It does not matter how you measure or make the payments. Amounts an employer pays as a bonus for signing or ratifying a contract in connection with the establishment of an employer-employee relationship and an amount paid to an employee for cancellation of an employment contract and relinquishment of contract rights are wages subject to social security, Medicare, and federal unemployment taxes and income tax withholding. Also, compensation paid to a former employee for services performed while still employed is wages subject to employment taxes.

More information. See section 6 for a discussion of tips and section 7 for a discussion of supplemental wages. Also, see section 15 for exceptions to the general rules for wages. Publication 15-A provides additional information on wages, including nonqualified deferred compensation, and other compensation. Publication 15-B provides information on other forms of compensation, including:

- Accident and health benefits,
- Achievement awards.
- Adoption assistance,
- · Athletic facilities,
- De minimis (minimal) benefits,
- Dependent care assistance,
- · Educational assistance,
- Employee discounts,
- Employee stock options,
- Group-term life insurance coverage,
- Health Savings Accounts,
- Lodging on your business premises,
- Meals,
- Moving expense reimbursements,
- No-additional-cost services,
- Retirement planning services,
- Transportation (commuting) benefits,
- Volunteer firefighter and emergency medical responder benefits,
- Tuition reduction, and
- Working condition benefits.

Employee business expense reimbursements. A reimbursement or allowance arrangement is a system by which you pay the advances, reimbursements, and charges for your employees' business expenses. How you report a reimbursement or allowance amount depends on whether you have an accountable or a nonaccountable plan. If a single payment includes both wages and an expense reimbursement, you must specify the amount of the reimbursement.

These rules apply to all ordinary and necessary employee business expenses that would otherwise qualify for a deduction by the employee.

Accountable plan. To be an accountable plan, your reimbursement or allowance arrangement must require your employees to meet all three of the following rules.

- They must have paid or incurred deductible expenses while performing services as your employees. The reimbursement or advance must be paid for the expense and must not be an amount that would have otherwise been paid by the employee.
- They must substantiate these expenses to you within a reasonable period of time.
- They must return any amounts in excess of substantiated expenses within a reasonable period of time.

Amounts paid under an accountable plan are not wages and are not subject to the withholding and payment of income, social security, Medicare, and federal unemployment (FUTA) taxes.

If the expenses covered by this arrangement are not substantiated (or amounts in excess of substantiated expenses are not returned within a reasonable period of time), the amount paid under the arrangement in excess of the substantiated expenses is treated as paid under a nonaccountable plan. This amount is subject to the withholding and payment of income, social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes for the first payroll period following the end of the reasonable period of time.

A reasonable period of time depends on the facts and circumstances. Generally, it is considered reasonable if your employees receive their advance within 30 days of the time they incur the expenses, adequately account for the expenses within 60 days after the expenses were paid or incurred, and return any amounts in excess of expenses within 120 days after the expenses were paid or incurred. Also, it is considered reasonable if you give your employees a periodic statement (at least quarterly) that asks them to either return or adequately account for outstanding amounts and they do so within 120 days.

Nonaccountable plan. Payments to your employee for travel and other necessary expenses of your business under a nonaccountable plan are wages and are treated as supplemental wages and subject to the withholding and payment of income, social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes. Your payments are treated as paid under a nonaccountable plan if:

- Your employee is not required to or does not substantiate timely those expenses to you with receipts or other documentation,
- You advance an amount to your employee for business expenses and your employee is not required to or does not return timely any amount he or she does not use for business expenses, or
- You advance or pay an amount to your employee regardless of whether you reasonably expect the employee to have business expenses related to your business.
- You pay an amount as a reimbursement you would have otherwise paid as wages.

See $\underline{\text{section } 7}$ for more information on supplemental wages.

Per diem or other fixed allowance. You may reimburse your employees by travel days, miles, or some other fixed allowance under the applicable revenue procedure. In these cases, your employee is considered to have accounted to you if your reimbursement does not exceed rates established by the Federal Government. The 2009 standard mileage rate for auto expenses was 55 cents per mile. The rate for 2010 is 50 cents per mile. The government per diem rates for meals and lodging in the continental United States are listed in Publication 1542, Per Diem Rates. Other than the amount of these expenses, your employees' business expenses must be substantiated (for example, the business purpose of the travel or the number of business miles driven).

If the per diem or allowance paid exceeds the amounts specified, you must report the excess amount as wages. This excess amount is subject to income tax withholding and payment of social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes. Show the amount equal to the specified amount (for example, the nontaxable portion) in box 12 of Form W-2 using code L.

Wages not paid in money. If in the course of your trade or business you pay your employees in a medium that is neither cash nor a readily negotiable instrument, such as a check, you are said to pay them "in kind." Payments in kind may be in the form of goods, lodging, food, clothing, or

services. Generally, the fair market value of such payments at the time they are provided is subject to federal income tax withholding and social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes

However, noncash payments for household work, agricultural labor, and service not in the employer's trade or business are exempt from social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes. Withhold income tax on these payments only if you and the employee agree to do so. Nonetheless, noncash payments for agricultural labor, such as commodity wages, are treated as cash payments subject to employment taxes if the substance of the transaction is a cash payment.

Moving expenses. Reimbursed and employer-paid qualified moving expenses (those that would otherwise be deductible by the employee) paid under an accountable plan are not includible in an employee's income unless you have knowledge the employee deducted the expenses in a prior year. Reimbursed and employer-paid nonqualified moving expenses are includible in income and are subject to employment taxes and income tax withholding. For more information on moving expenses, see Publication 521, Moving Expenses.

Meals and lodging. The value of meals is not taxable income and is not subject to income tax withholding and social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes if the meals are furnished for the employer's convenience and on the employer's premises. The value of lodging is not subject to income tax withholding and social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes if the lodging is furnished for the employer's convenience, on the employer's premises, and as a condition of employment.

"For the convenience of the employer" means you have a substantial business reason for providing the meals and lodging other than to provide additional compensation to the employee. For example, meals you provide at the place of work so that an employee is available for emergencies during his or her lunch period are generally considered to be for your convenience.

However, whether meals or lodging are provided for the convenience of the employer depends on all of the facts and circumstances. A written statement that the meals or lodging are for your convenience is not sufficient.

50% test. If over 50% of the employees who are provided meals on an employer's business premises receive these meals for the convenience of the employer, all meals provided on the premises are treated as furnished for the convenience of the employer. If this 50% test is met, the value of the meals is excludable from income for all employees and is not subject to federal income tax withholding or employment taxes. For more information, see Publication 15-B.

Health insurance plans. If you pay the cost of an accident or health insurance plan for your employees, including an employee's spouse and dependents, your payments are not wages and are not subject to social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes, or federal income tax withholding. Generally, this exclusion also applies to qualified long-term care insurance contracts. However, for income tax withholding, the value of health insurance benefits must be included in the wages of S corporation employees who own more than 2% of the S corporation (2% shareholders). For social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes, the health insurance benefits are excluded from the wages only for employees and their dependents or for a class or classes of employees and their dependents. See Announcement 92-16 for more information. You can find Announcement 92-16 on page 53 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 1992-5.

Health Savings Accounts and medical savings accounts. Your contributions to an employee's Health Savings Account (HSA) or Archer medical savings account (MSA) are not subject to social security, Medicare, or FUTA taxes, or federal income tax withholding if it is reasonable to believe at the time of payment of the contributions they will be excludable from the income of the employee. To the extent it is not reasonable to believe they will be excludable, your contributions are subject to these taxes. Employee contributions to their HSAs or MSAs through a payroll deduction plan must be included in wages and are subject to social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes and income tax withholding. However, HSA contributions made under a salary reduction arrangement in a section 125 cafeteria plan are not wages and are not subject to employment taxes or withholding. For more information, see the Instructions for Form 8889, Health Savings Accounts.

Medical care reimbursements. Generally, medical care reimbursements paid for an employee under an employer's self-insured medical reimbursement plan are not wages and are not subject to social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes, or income tax withholding. See Publication 15-B for an exception for highly compensated employees

Differential wage payments. Differential wage payments are any payments made by an employer to an individual for a period during which the individual is performing service in the uniformed services while on active duty for a period of more than 30 days and represent all or a portion of the wages the individual would have received from the employer if the individual were performing services for the employer.

Differential wage payments are wages for income tax withholding, but are not subject to social security, Medicare, or FUTA taxes. Employers should report differential wage payments on Form W-2 in box 1. For more information about the tax treatment of differential wage payments, visit the IRS website at www.irs.gov and enter keywords Employers with Employees in a Combat Zone.

Fringe benefits. You generally must include fringe benefits in an employee's gross income (but see *Nontaxable fringe benefits* next). The benefits are subject to income tax withholding and employment taxes. Fringe benefits include cars you provide, flights on aircraft you provide, free or discounted commercial flights, vacations, discounts on property or services, memberships in country clubs or other social clubs, and tickets to entertainment or sporting events. In general, the amount you must include is the amount by which the fair market value of the benefits is more than the sum of what the employee paid for it plus any amount the law excludes. There are other special rules you and your employees may use to value certain fringe benefits. See Publication 15-B for more information.

Nontaxable fringe benefits. Some fringe benefits are not taxable (or are minimally taxable) if certain conditions are met. See Publication 15-B for details. Examples include:

- 1. Services provided to your employees at no additional cost to you,
- 2. Qualified employee discounts,
- Working condition fringes that are property or services the employee could deduct as a business expense if he or she had paid for it. Examples include a company car for business use and subscriptions to business magazines,

- Certain minimal value fringes (including an occasional cab ride when an employee must work overtime, local transportation benefits provided because of unsafe conditions and unusual circumstances, and meals you provide at eating places you run for your employees if the meals are not furnished at below cost),
- Qualified transportation fringes subject to specified conditions and dollar limitations (including transportation in a commuter highway vehicle, any transit pass, and qualified parking),
- Qualified moving expense reimbursement. See <u>Moving expenses</u>, on page 12 for details,
- The use of on-premises athletic facilities, if substantially all of the use is by employees, their spouses, and their dependent children, and
- Qualified tuition reduction an educational organization provides to its employees for education. For more information, see Publication 970, Tax Benefits for Education.

However, do not exclude the following fringe benefits from the income of highly compensated employees unless the benefit is available to other employees on a nondiscriminatory basis.

- No-additional-cost services (item 1 above).
- Qualified employee discounts (item 2 above).
- Meals provided at an employer operated eating facility (included in item 4 above).
- Reduced tuition for education (item 8 above).

For more information, including the definition of a highly compensated employee, see Publication 15-B.

When fringe benefits are treated as paid. You may choose to treat certain noncash fringe benefits as paid by the pay period, by the quarter, or on any other basis you choose as long as you treat the benefits as paid at least once a year. You do not have to make a formal choice of payment dates or notify the IRS of the dates you choose. You do not have to make this choice for all employees. You may change methods as often as you like, as long as you treat all benefits provided in a calendar year as paid by December 31 of the calendar year. See Publication 15-B for more information, including a discussion of the special accounting rule for fringe benefits provided during November and December.

Valuation of fringe benefits. Generally, you must determine the value of fringe benefits no later than January 31 of the next year. Before January 31, you may reasonably estimate the value of the fringe benefits for purposes of withholding and depositing on time.

Withholding on fringe benefits. You may add the value of fringe benefits to regular wages for a payroll period and figure withholding taxes on the total, or you may withhold federal income tax on the value of the fringe benefits at the flat 25% supplemental wage rate. However, see <u>Withholding on supplemental wages when an employee receives more than \$1,000,000 of supplemental wages during the calendar year in section 7.</u>

You may choose not to withhold income tax on the value of an employee's personal use of a vehicle you provide. You must, however, withhold social security and Medicare taxes on the use of the vehicle. See Publication 15-B for more information on this election.

Depositing taxes on fringe benefits. Once you choose payment dates for fringe benefits (discussed above), you must deposit taxes in the same deposit period

you treat the fringe benefits as paid. To avoid a penalty, deposit the taxes following the general deposit rules for that deposit period.

If you determine by January 31 you overestimated the value of a fringe benefit at the time you withheld and deposited for it, you may claim a refund for the overpayment or have it applied to your next employment tax return. See <u>Valuation of fringe benefits</u>, above. If you underestimated the value and deposited too little, you may be subject to a failure-to-deposit penalty. See <u>section 11</u> for information on deposit penalties.

If you deposited the required amount of taxes but withheld a lesser amount from the employee, you can recover from the employee the social security, Medicare, or income taxes you deposited on his or her behalf, and included in the employee's Form W-2. However, you must recover the income taxes before April 1 of the following year.

Sick pay. In general, sick pay is any amount you pay under a plan to an employee who is unable to work because of sickness or injury. These amounts are sometimes paid by a third party, such as an insurance company or an employees' trust. In either case, these payments are subject to social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes. Sick pay becomes exempt from these taxes after the end of 6 calendar months after the calendar month the employee last worked for the employer. The payments are always subject to federal income tax. See Publication 15-A for more information.

6. Tips

Tips your employee receives from customers are generally subject to withholding. Your employee must report cash tips to you by the 10th of the month after the month the tips are received. The report should include tips you paid over to the employee for charge customers and tips the employee received directly from customers. No report is required for months when tips are less than \$20. Your employee reports the tips on Form 4070, Employee's Report of Tips to Employer, or on a similar statement. The statement must be signed by the employee and must show the following:

- The employee's name, address, and SSN.
- Your name and address.
- The month or period the report covers.
- The total of tips received during the month or period.

Both Forms 4070 and 4070-A, Employee's Daily Record of Tips, are included in Publication 1244, Employee's Daily Record of Tips.



You are permitted to establish a system for electronic tip reporting by employees. See Regulations section 31.6053-1(d).

Collecting taxes on tips. You must collect income tax, employee social security tax, and employee Medicare tax on the employee's tips. If an employee reports to you in writing \$20 or more of tips in a month, the tips are also subject to FUTA tax.

You can collect these taxes from the employee's wages or from other funds he or she makes available. See <u>Tips</u> treated as supplemental wages in section 7 for more information. Stop collecting the employee social security tax when his or her wages and tips for tax year 2010 reach \$106,800; collect the income and employee Medicare taxes for the whole year on all wages and tips. You are responsible for the employer social security tax on wages and tips until the wages (including tips) reach the limit. You

are responsible for the employer Medicare tax for the whole year on all wages and tips. File Form 941 or Form 944 to report withholding and employment taxes on tips.

Ordering rule. If, by the 10th of the month after the month for which you received an employee's report on tips, you do not have enough employee funds available to deduct the employee tax, you no longer have to collect it. If there are not enough funds available, withhold taxes in the following order.

- 1. Withhold on regular wages and other compensation.
- 2. Withhold social security and Medicare taxes on tips.
- 3. Withhold income tax on tips.

Reporting tips. Report tips and any uncollected social security and Medicare taxes on Form W-2 and on lines 5b and 5c of Form 941 (lines 4b and 4c of Form 944). Report an adjustment on line 7c of Form 941 (line 6a of the 2008 Form 944, line 6 of the 2009 Form 944) for the uncollected social security and Medicare taxes. Enter the amount of uncollected social security and Medicare taxes in box 12 of Form W-2 with codes A and B. See Section 13 and the Instructions for Forms W-2 and W-3.

Allocated tips. If you operate a large food or beverage establishment, you must report allocated tips under certain circumstances. However, do not withhold income, social security, or Medicare taxes on allocated tips.

A large food or beverage establishment is one that provides food or beverages for consumption on the premises, where tipping is customary, and where there were normally more than 10 employees on a typical business day during the preceding year.

The tips may be allocated by one of three methods—hours worked, gross receipts, or good faith agreement. For information about these allocation methods, including the requirement to file Forms 8027 electronically if 250 or more forms are filed, see the Instructions for Form 8027.

Tip Rate Determination and Education Program. Employers may participate in the Tip Rate Determination and Education Program. The program primarily consists of two voluntary agreements developed to improve tip income reporting by helping taxpayers to understand and meet their tip reporting responsibilities. The two agreements are the Tip Rate Determination Agreement (TRDA) and the Tip Reporting Alternative Commitment (TRAC). A tip agreement, the Gaming Industry Tip Compliance Agreement (GITCA), is available for the gaming (casino) industry. Additionally, the IRS is offering an expanded tip reporting and education program for food and beverage industry employers called the Attributed Tip Income Program (ATIP). ATIP has simple enrollment requirements and procedures. To find out more about the program, or to identify the IRS Tip Coordinator for your state, call the IRS at 1-800-829-4933. To get more information about TRDA and TRAC agreements See Pub 3144, Tips on Tips. For more information on ATIP agreements see Pub 1461, ATIP Attributed Income Brochure. Additionally you can access the IRS website at www.irs.gov and enter keywords MSU tips to get more information about ATIP, GITCA, TRDA, or TRAC agreements.

7. Supplemental Wages

Supplemental wages are compensation paid in addition to an employee's regular wages. They include, but are not limited to, bonuses, commissions, overtime pay, payments for accumulated sick leave, severance pay, awards, prizes, back pay, retroactive pay increases, and payments for nondeductible moving expenses. Other payments subject to the supplemental wage rules include taxable fringe benefits and expense allowances paid under a nonaccountable plan. How you withhold on supplemental wages depends on whether the supplemental payment is identified as a separate payment from regular wages. See Regulations section 31.3402(g)-1 for additional guidance for wages paid after January 1, 2007. Also see Revenue Ruling 2008-29, 2008-24 I.R.B. 1149, available at www.irs.gov/irb/2008-24_IRB/ar08.html.

Withholding on supplemental wages when an employee receives more than \$1,000,000 of supplemental wages from you during the calendar year. Special rules apply to the extent supplemental wages paid to any one employee during the calendar year exceed \$1,000,000. If a supplemental wage payment, together with other supplemental wage payments made to the employee during the calendar year, exceeds \$1,000,000, the excess is subject to withholding at 35 percent (or the highest rate of income tax for the year). Withhold using the 35% rate without regard to the employee's Form W-4. In determining supplemental wages paid to the employee during the year, include payments from all businesses under common control. For more information, see Treasury Decision 9276, 2006-37 I.R.B. 423, available at www.irs.gov/irb/2006-37_IRB/ar09.html.

Withholding on supplemental wage payments to an employee who does not receive \$1,000,000 of supplemental wages during the calendar year. If the supplemental wages paid to the employee during the calendar year are less than or equal to \$1,000,000, the following rules apply in determining the amount of income tax to be

withheld.

Supplemental wages combined with regular wages. If you pay supplemental wages with regular wages but do not specify the amount of each, withhold federal income tax as if the total were a single payment for a regular payroll period.

Supplemental wages identified separately from regular wages. If you pay supplemental wages separately (or combine them in a single payment and specify the amount of each), the federal income tax withholding method depends partly on whether you withhold income tax from your employee's regular wages.

- If you withheld income tax from an employee's regular wages in the current or immediately preceding calendar year, you can use one of the following methods for the supplemental wages.
 - Withhold a flat 25% (no other percentage allowed).
 - b. If the supplemental wages are paid concurrently with regular wages, add the supplemental wages to the concurrently paid regular wages. If there are no concurrently paid regular wages, add the supplemental wages to alternatively, either the regular wages paid or to be paid for the current payroll period or the regular wages paid for the preceding payroll period. Figure the income tax withholding as if the total of the regular wages and supplemental wages is a single payment. Subtract the tax withheld from the regular wages. Withhold the remaining tax from the supplemental wages. If there were other payments of supplemental wages paid during the payroll period made before the current payment of supplemental wages, aggregate all the payments of supplemental wages paid during the payroll period with the regular wages paid during the payroll period, calculate the tax on the total, subtract the tax already withheld

from the regular wages and the previous supplemental wage payments, and withhold the remaining tax.

If you did not withhold income tax from the employee's regular wages in the current or immediately preceding calendar year, use method 1-b above.
 This would occur, for example, when the value of the employee's withholding allowances claimed on Form W-4 is more than the wages.

Regardless of the method you use to withhold income tax on supplemental wages, they are subject to social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes.

Example 1. You pay John Peters a base salary on the 1st of each month. He is single and claims one withholding allowance. In January of 2010, he is paid \$1,000. Using the wage bracket tables, you withhold \$21 from this amount. In February 2010, he receives salary of \$1,000 plus a commission of \$2,000, which you include with regular wages. You figure the withholding based on the total of \$3,000. The correct withholding from the tables is \$314.

Example 2. You pay Sharon Warren a base salary on the 1st of each month. She is single and claims one allowance. Her May 1, 2010, pay is \$2,000. Using the wage bracket tables, you withhold \$164. On May 14, 2010, she receives a bonus of \$2,000. Electing to use supplemental payment method 1-b, you:

- Add the bonus amount to the amount of wages from the most recent pay date (\$2,000 + \$2,000 = \$4,000).
- Determine the amount of withholding on the combined \$4,000 amount to be \$535 using the wage bracket tables.
- 3. Subtract the amount withheld from wages on the most recent pay date from the combined withholding amount (\$535 \$164 = \$371).
- 4. Withhold \$371 from the bonus payment.

Example 3. The facts are the same as in Example 2, except you elect to use the flat rate method of withholding on the bonus. You withhold 25% of \$2,000, or \$500, from Sharon's bonus payment.

Example 4. The facts are the same as in Example 2, except you elect to pay Sharon a second bonus of \$1,000 on May 28. Using supplemental payment method 1-b, you:

- Add the bonus amount to the amount of wages from the most recent pay date (\$2,000 + \$2,000 + \$1,000 = \$5,000).
- Determine the amount of withholding on the combined \$5,000 amount to be \$785 using the wage bracket tables.
- Subtract the amounts withheld from wages on the most recent pay date and from the first bonus payment from the combined withholding amount (\$785 - \$164 - \$371= \$250).
- 4. Withhold \$250 from the second bonus payment.

Tips treated as supplemental wages. Withhold income tax on tips from wages or from other funds the employee makes available. If an employee receives regular wages and reports tips, figure income tax withholding as if the tips were supplemental wages. If you have not withheld income tax from the regular wages, add the tips to the regular wages. Then withhold income tax on the total. If you

withheld income tax from the regular wages, you can withhold on the tips by method 1-a or 1-b on page 14.

Vacation pay. Vacation pay is subject to withholding as if it were a regular wage payment. When vacation pay is in addition to regular wages for the vacation period, treat it as a supplemental wage payment. If the vacation pay is for a time longer than your usual payroll period, spread it over the pay periods for which you pay it.

8. Payroll Period

Your payroll period is a period of service for which you usually pay wages. When you have a regular payroll period, withhold income tax for that time period even if your employee does not work the full period.

No regular payroll period. When you do not have a regular payroll period, withhold the tax as if you paid wages for a daily or miscellaneous payroll period. Figure the number of days (including Sundays and holidays) in the period covered by the wage payment. If the wages are unrelated to a specific length of time (for example, commissions paid on completion of a sale), count back the number of days from the payment period to the latest of:

- The last wage payment made during the same calendar year,
- The date employment began, if during the same calendar year, or
- January 1 of the same year.

Employee paid for period less than 1 week. When you pay an employee for a period of less than one week, and the employee signs a statement under penalties of perjury indicating he or she is not working for any other employer during the same week for wages subject to withholding, figure withholding based on a weekly payroll period. If the employee later begins to work for another employer for wages subject to withholding, the employee must notify you within 10 days. You then figure withholding based on the daily or miscellaneous period.

9. Withholding From Employees' Wages

Income Tax Withholding

Using Form W-4 to figure withholding. To know how much federal income tax to withhold from employees' wages, you should have a Form W-4, Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate, on file for each employee. Encourage your employees to file an updated Form W-4 for 2010, especially if they owed taxes or received a large refund when filing their 2009 tax return. Advise your employees to use the Withholding Calculator on the IRS website at www.irs.gov/individuals for help in determining how many withholding allowances to claim on their Forms W-4.

Ask all new employees to give you a signed Form W-4 when they start work. Make the form effective with the first wage payment. If a new employee does not give you a completed Form W-4, withhold income tax as if he or she is single, with no withholding allowances.

Form in Spanish. You can provide Formulario W-4(SP), Certificado de Exención de Retenciones del Empleado, in place of Form W-4, Employee's Withholding

Allowance Certificate, to your Spanish-speaking employees. For more information, see Publicación 17(SP), El Impuesto Federal sobre los Ingresos (Para Personas Físicas). The rules discussed in this section that apply to Form W-4 also apply to Formulario W-4(SP).

Electronic system to receive Form W-4. You may establish a system to electronically receive Forms W-4 from your employees. See Regulations section 31.3402(f)(5)-1(c) for more information.

Effective date of Form W-4. A Form W-4 remains in effect until the employee gives you a new one. When you receive a new Form W-4 from an employee, do not adjust withholding for pay periods before the effective date of the new form. If an employee gives you a Form W-4 that replaces an existing Form W-4, begin withholding no later than the start of the first payroll period ending on or after the 30th day from the date when you received the replacement Form W-4. For exceptions, see Exemption from federal income tax withholding, IRS review of requested Forms W-4, and Invalid Forms W-4, later.



A Form W-4 that makes a change for the next calendar year will not take effect in the current calendar year.

Successor employer. If you are a successor employer (see Successor employer on page 18), secure new Forms W-4 from the transferred employees unless the "Alternative Procedure" in section 5 of Revenue Procedure 2004-53 applies. See Revenue Procedure 2004-53, 2004-34 I.R.B. 320, available at www.irs.gov/irb/2004-34_IRB/ar13.html.

Completing Form W-4. The amount of any federal income tax withholding must be based on marital status and withholding allowances. Your employees may not base their withholding amounts on a fixed dollar amount or percentage. However, an employee may specify a dollar amount to be withheld in addition to the amount of withholding based on filing status and withholding allowances claimed on Form W-4.

Employees may claim fewer withholding allowances than they are entitled to claim. They may wish to claim fewer allowances to ensure they have enough withholding or to offset the tax on other sources of taxable income not subject to adequate withholding.

See Publication 505, Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax, for more information about completing Form W-4. Along with Form W-4, you may wish to order Publication 505 and Publication 919, How Do I Adjust My Tax Withholding, for use by your employees.

Do not accept any withholding or estimated tax payments from your employees in addition to withholding based on their Form W-4. If they require additional withholding, they should submit a new Form W-4 and, if necessary, pay estimated tax by filing Form 1040-ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals.

Exemption from federal income tax withholding. Generally, an employee may claim exemption from federal income tax withholding because he or she had no income tax liability last year and expects none this year. See the Form W-4 instructions for more information. However, the wages are still subject to social security and Medicare taxes. See also *Invalid Forms W-4* on page 18.

A Form W-4 claiming exemption from withholding is valid for only 1 calendar year. To continue to be exempt from withholding in the next year, an employee must give you a new Form W-4 by February 15 of that year. If the employee does not give you a new Form W-4, withhold tax as if the employee is single with zero withholding allowances or withhold based on the last valid Form W-4 you have for the employee.

Withholding income taxes on the wages of nonresident alien employees. In general, you must withhold federal income taxes on the wages of nonresident alien employees. However, see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities for exceptions to this general rule.

Withholding Adjustment for Nonresident Aliens. For 2010, a new procedure applies for figuring the amount of income tax to withhold from the wages of nonresident alien employees performing services within the United States. This procedure requires use of a new chart and new tables in addition to the withholding tables used to figure income tax withholding on other employees.

Instructions. To figure how much income tax to withhold from the wages paid a nonresident alien employee performing services in the United States, use the following four steps.

Step 1. Add to the wages paid to the nonresident alien employee for the payroll period the amount shown in the chart below for the applicable payroll period.

Amount to Add to Nonresident Alien Employee's Wages for Calculating Income Tax Withholding Only

Payroll Period	Add Additional
Weekly	\$ 39.42
Biweekly	78.85
Semimonthly	85.42
Monthly	170.83
Quarterly	512.50
Semiannually	1,025.00
Annually	2,050.00
Daily or Miscellaneous (each day of the payroll period)	7.88

Step 2. Use the amount figured in Step 1 and the number of withholding allowances claimed (generally limited to one allowance) to figure income tax withholding using the tables that are used to figure income tax withholding for all other employees. If you use the percentage method tables on pages 39-40 reduce the amount figured in Step 1 by the value of withholding allowances and use that reduced amount to figure income tax withholding from the percentage method table. If you use the wage bracket tables on pages 41-60 use the amount figured in Step 1 to figure income tax withholding using the wage bracket tables.

Step 3. Use the amount you figured in *Step 1* after subtracting the value of withholding allowances claimed (generally limited to one allowance) to figure an amount from the <u>Tables for Withholding Adjustment for Nonresident Aliens for Wages Paid in 2010 on page 70.</u>

Step 4. Add the amounts you figured in *Steps 2 and 3*. The total is the amount of income tax to withhold from the nonresident alien employee's wages for the payroll period.



Nonresident alien students from India and business apprentices from India are not subject to this procedure.

The amounts added under the chart on the previous page are added to wages solely for calculating income tax withholding on the wages of the nonresident alien employee. The amounts from the chart on the previous page should not be included in any box on the employee's Form

W-2 and do not increase the income tax liability of the employee. Also, these chart amounts do not increase the social security, Medicare, or FUTA tax liability of the employer or the employee.

This procedure only applies to nonresident alien employees who have wages subject to income tax withhold-

ıng.

Example. An employer using the percentage method of withholding pays wages of \$500 for a biweekly payroll period to a married nonresident alien employee. The nonresident alien has properly completed Form W-4, entering marital status as "single" with one withholding allowance and indicating status as a nonresident alien on line 6 of Form W-4 (see Nonresident alien employee's Form W-4 later). The employer determines the wages to be used in the withholding tables by adding to the \$500 amount of wages paid the amount of \$78.85 from the chart on page 16 (\$578.85 total). The employer then applies the applicable tables to determine the income tax withholding and the additional income tax withholding for nonresident aliens. If you use the percentage method withholding tables, reduce the amount figured in Step 1 by the value of withholding allowances and use that reduced amount to figure income tax withholding from the percentage method tables.

The \$78.85 added to wages for calculating income tax withholding is not reported on Form W-2, and does not increase the income tax liability of the employee. The \$78.85 added amount also does not affect the social security tax, Medicare tax, or FUTA tax liability of the em-

ployer or the employee.

Supplemental wage payment. This procedure for determining the amount of income tax withholding does not apply to a supplemental wage payment (see section 7) if the 35 percent mandatory flat rate withholding applies or if the 25 percent flat rate withholding is being used to calculate income tax withholding on the supplemental wage payment.

Nonresident alien employee's Form W-4. When completing Forms W-4, nonresident aliens are required to:

- Not claim exemption from income tax withholding,
- Request withholding as if they are single, regardless of their actual marital status,
- Claim only one allowance (if the nonresident alien is a resident of Canada, Mexico, or Korea, he or she may claim more than one allowance), and
- Write "Nonresident Alien" or "NRA" above the dotted line on line 6 of Form W-4.

If you maintain an electronic Form W-4 system, you should provide a field for nonresident aliens to enter non-resident alien status in lieu of writing "Nonresident Alien" or "NRA" above the dotted line on line 6.



A nonresident alien employee may request additional withholding at his or her option for other purposes, although such additions should not be

necessary for withholding to cover federal income tax liability related to employment.

Form 8233. If a nonresident alien employee claims a tax treaty exemption from withholding, the employee must submit Form 8233, Exemption from Withholding or Compensation for Independent (& Certain Dependent) Personal Services of a Nonresident Alien Individual, with respect to the income exempt under the treaty, instead of Form W-4. See Publication 515 for details.

IRS review of requested Forms W-4. When requested by the IRS, you must make original Forms W-4 available for inspection by an IRS employee. You may also be

directed to send certain Forms W-4 to the IRS. You may receive a notice from the IRS requiring you to submit a copy of Form W-4 for one or more of your named employees. Send the requested copy or copies of Form W-4 to the IRS at the address provided and in the manner directed by the notice. The IRS may also require you to submit copies of Form W-4 to the IRS as directed by a revenue procedure or notice published in the Internal Revenue Bulletin. When we refer to Form W-4, the same rules apply to Formulario W-4(SP), its Spanish translation.

After submitting a copy of a requested Form W-4 to the IRS, continue to withhold federal income tax based on that Form W-4 if it is valid (see *Invalid Forms W-4* on page 18). However, if the IRS later notifies you in writing the employee is not entitled to claim exemption from withholding or a claimed number of withholding allowances, withhold federal income tax based on the effective date, marital status, and maximum number of withholding allowances specified in the notice (commonly referred to as a "lock-in letter").

Initial lock-in letter. The IRS also uses information reported on Form W-2 to identify employees with withholding compliance problems. In some cases, if a serious under-withholding problem is found to exist for a particular employee, the IRS may issue a lock-in letter to the employer specifying the maximum number of withholding allowances and marital status permitted for a specific employee. You must furnish this notice to the employee within 10 business days of receipt if the employee is employed by you as of the date of the notice. Begin withholding based on the notice on the date specified in the notice.

Employee not performing services. If you receive a notice for an employee who is not performing services for you, you must still furnish the notice to the employee and withhold based on the notice if any of the following apply.

- You are paying wages for the employee's prior services and the wages are subject to income tax withholding on or after the date specified in the notice.
- You reasonably expect the employee to resume services within 12 months of the date of the notice.
- The employee is on a leave of absence that does not exceed 12 months or the employee has a right to reemployment after the leave of absence.

Termination and re-hire of employees. If you must furnish and withhold based on the notice and the employment relationship is terminated after the date of the notice, you must continue to withhold based on the notice if you continue to pay any wages subject to income tax withholding. You must also withhold based on the notice or modification notice if the employee resumes the employment relationship with you within 12 months after the termination of the employment relationship.

Modification notice. After issuing the notice specifying the maximum number of withholding allowances and marital status permitted, the IRS may issue a subsequent notice (modification notice) that modifies the original notice. The modification notice may change the marital status and/or the number of withholding allowances permitted. You must withhold federal income tax based on effective date specified in the modification notice.

New Form W-4 after notice. After the IRS issues a notice or modification notice, if the employee provides you with a new Form W-4 claiming complete exemption from withholding or claims a marital status, a number of withholding allowances, and any additional withholding that results in less withholding than would result under the IRS notice or modification notice, disregard the new Form W-4.

You must withhold based on the notice or modification notice unless the IRS notifies you to withhold based on the new Form W-4. If the employee wants to put a new Form W-4 into effect that results in less withholding than required, the employee must contact the IRS.

If, after you receive an IRS notice or modification notice, your employee gives you a new Form W-4 that does not claim exemption from federal income tax withholding and claims a marital status, a number of withholding allowances, and any additional withholding that results in more withholding than would result under the notice or modification notice, you must withhold tax based on the new Form W-4. Otherwise, disregard any subsequent Forms W-4 provided by the employee and withhold based on the IRS notice or modification notice.

For additional information about these rules, see Treasury Decision 9337, 2007-35 I.R.B. 455, available at www.irs.gov/irb/2007-35_IRB/ar10.html.

Substitute Forms W-4. You are encouraged to have your employees use the official version of Form W-4 to claim withholding allowances or exemption from withholding. Call the IRS at 1-800-829-3676 or visit the IRS website at *www.irs.gov* to obtain copies of Form W-4.

You may use a substitute version of Form W-4 to meet your business needs. However, your substitute Form W-4 must contain language that is identical to the official Form W-4 and your form must meet all current IRS rules for substitute forms. At the time you provide your substitute form to the employee, you must provide him or her with all tables, instructions, and worksheets from the current Form W-4.

You cannot accept substitute Forms W-4 developed by employees. An employee who submits an employee-developed substitute Form W-4 after October 10, 2007, will be treated as failing to furnish a Form W-4. However, continue to honor any valid employee-developed Forms W-4 you accepted before October 11, 2007.

Invalid Forms W-4. Any unauthorized change or addition to Form W-4 makes it invalid. This includes taking out any language by which the employee certifies the form is correct. A Form W-4 is also invalid if, by the date an employee gives it to you, he or she indicates in any way it is false. An employee who submits a false Form W-4 may be subject to a \$500 penalty. You may treat a Form W-4 as invalid if the employee wrote "exempt" on line 7 and also entered a number on line 5 or an amount on line 6.

When you get an invalid Form W-4, do not use it to figure federal income tax withholding. Tell the employee it is invalid and ask for another one. If the employee does not give you a valid one, withhold taxes as if the employee was single and claiming no withholding allowances. However, if you have an earlier Form W-4 for this worker that is valid, withhold as you did before.

Amounts exempt from levy on wages, salary, and other income. If you receive a Notice of Levy on Wages, Salary, and Other Income (Forms 668-W(ACS), 668-W(c)(DO), or 668-W(ICS)), you must withhold amounts as described in the instructions for these forms. Publication 1494 (2009), Tables for Figuring Amount Exempt From Levy on Wages, Salary, and Other Income-Forms 668-W(ACS), 668-W(c)(DO), and 668-W(ICS), shows the exempt amount. If a levy issued in a prior year is still in effect and the taxpayer submits a new Statement of Exemptions and Filing Status, use the current year Publication 1494 to compute the exempt amount.

Social Security and Medicare Taxes

The Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) provides for a federal system of old-age, survivors, disability, and

hospital insurance. The old-age, survivors, and disability insurance part is financed by the social security tax. The hospital insurance part is financed by the Medicare tax. Each of these taxes is reported separately.

Generally, you are required to withhold social security and Medicare taxes from your employees' wages and you must also pay a matching amount of these taxes. Certain types of wages and compensation are not subject to social security and Medicare taxes. See Sections 5 and 15 for details. Generally, employee wages are subject to social security and Medicare taxes regardless of the employee's age or whether he or she is receiving social security benefits. If the employee reported tips, see Section 6.

Tax rates and the social security wage base limit. Social security and Medicare taxes have different rates and only the social security tax has a wage base limit. The wage base limit is the maximum wage subject to the tax for the year. Determine the amount of withholding for social security and Medicare taxes by multiplying each payment by the employee tax rate. There are no withholding allowances for social security and Medicare taxes.

The employee tax rate for social security is 6.2% (amount withheld). The employer tax rate for social security is also 6.2% (12.4% total). The 2009 wage base limit was \$106,800, and remains unchanged for 2010.

The employee tax rate for Medicare is 1.45% (amount withheld). The employer tax rate for Medicare tax is also 1.45% (2.9% total). There is no wage base limit for Medicare tax; all covered wages are subject to Medicare tax.

Successor employer. If you received all or most of the property used in the trade or business of another employer, or a unit of that employer's trade or business, you may include the wages the other employer paid to your acquired employees before the transfer of property when you figure the annual wage base limit for social security. You should determine whether or not you should file Schedule D (Form 941), Report of Discrepancies Caused by Acquisitions, Statutory Mergers, or Consolidations, by reviewing the Instructions for Schedule D (Form 941). See Regulations section 31.3121(a)(1)-1(b) for more information. Also see Revenue Procedure 2004-53, 2004-34 I.R.B. 320, available at

Example. Early in 2010, you bought all of the assets of a plumbing business from Mr. Martin. Mr. Brown, who had been employed by Mr. Martin and received \$2,000 in wages before the date of purchase, continued to work for you. The wages you paid to Mr. Brown are subject to social security taxes on the first \$104,800 (\$106,800 minus \$2,000). Medicare tax is due on all of the wages you pay him during the calendar year.

www.irs.gov/irb/2004-34_IRB/ar13.html.

Withholding of social security and Medicare taxes on nonresident aliens. In general, if you pay wages to nonresident alien employees, you must withhold federal social security and Medicare taxes as you would for a U.S. citizen. However, see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities, for exceptions to this general rule.

International social security agreements. The United States has social security agreements, also known as totalization agreements, with many countries that eliminate dual taxation and dual coverage. Compensation subject to social security and Medicare taxes may be exempt under one of these agreements. You can get more information and a list of agreement countries from the SSA at www.socialsecurity.gov/international or see section 7 of Publication 15-A.

Religious exemption. An exemption from social security and Medicare taxes is available to members of a recognized religious sect opposed to insurance. This exemption is available only if both the employee and the employer are members of the sect.

For more information, see Publication 517, Social Security and Other Information for Members of the Clergy and Religious Workers.

Foreign persons treated as American employers. For services performed after July 31, 2008, a foreign person who meets both of the following conditions is generally treated as an American employer for paying FICA taxes on an employee's wages.

- The foreign person is a member of a domestically controlled group of entities.
- The employee of the foreign person performs services in connection with a contract between the U.S. Government (or an instrumentality of the U.S. Government) and any member of the domestically controlled group of entities. Ownership of 80% constitutes control.

Part-Time Workers

For federal income tax withholding and social security, Medicare, and federal unemployment (FUTA) tax purposes, there are no differences among full-time employees, part-time employees, and employees hired for short periods. It does not matter whether the worker has another job or has the maximum amount of social security tax withheld by another employer. Income tax withholding may be figured the same way as for full-time workers. Or it may be figured by the part-year employment method explained in section 9 of Publication 15-A.

10. Advance Earned Income Credit (EIC) Payment

An employee who expects to be eligible for the earned income credit (EIC) and expects to have a qualifying child is entitled to receive EIC payments with his or her pay during the year. To get these payments, the employee must provide to you a properly completed Form W-5 (or Formulario W-5(SP), its Spanish translation), Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate, using either the paper form or an approved electronic format. You are required to make advance EIC payments to employees who give you a completed and signed Form W-5. You may establish a system to electronically receive Forms W-5 from your employees. See Announcement 99-3 for information on electronic requirements for Form W-5. You can find Announcement 99-3 on page 15 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 1999-3 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb99-03.pdf.

Certain employees who do not have a qualifying child may be able to claim the EIC on their tax return. However, they cannot get advance EIC payments.

For 2010, the advance payment can be as much as \$1,830. The tables that begin on page 62 reflect that limit.

Form W-5. Form W-5 explains the eligibility requirements for receiving advance EIC payments. On Form W-5, an employee states he or she expects to be eligible to claim the EIC and shows whether he or she has another Form W-5 in effect with any other current employer. The employee also shows the following:

- Whether he or she expects to have a qualifying child.
- Whether he or she will file a joint return.

 If the employee is married, whether his or her spouse has a Form W-5 in effect with any employer.

An employee may have only one certificate in effect with a current employer at one time. If an employee is married and his or her spouse also works, each spouse should file a separate Form W-5.

Length of effective period. Form W-5 is effective for the first payroll period ending on or after the date the employee gives you the form (or the first wage payment made without regard to a payroll period). It remains in effect until the end of the calendar year unless the employee revokes it or files another one. Eligible employees must file a new Form W-5 each year.

Change of status. If an employee gives you a signed Form W-5 and later becomes ineligible for advance EIC payments, he or she must revoke Form W-5 within 10 days after learning about the change of circumstances. The employee must give you a new Form W-5 stating he or she is no longer eligible for or no longer wants advance EIC payments.

If an employee's situation changes because his or her spouse files a Form W-5, the employee must file a new Form W-5 showing his or her spouse has a Form W-5 in effect with an employer. This will reduce the maximum amount of advance payments you can make to that employee.

If an employee's spouse has filed a Form W-5 that is no longer in effect, the employee may file a new Form W-5 with you, but is not required to do so. A new form will certify the spouse does not have a Form W-5 in effect and will increase the maximum amount of advance payments you can make to that employee.

Invalid Form W-5. The Form W-5 is invalid if it is incomplete, unsigned, or has an alteration or unauthorized addition. The form has been altered if any of the language has been deleted. Any writing added to the form other than the requested entries is an unauthorized addition.

You should consider a Form W-5 invalid if an employee has made an oral or written statement that clearly shows the Form W-5 to be false. If you receive an invalid form, tell the employee it is invalid as of the date he or she made the oral or written statement. For advance EIC payment purposes, the invalid Form W-5 is considered void.

You are not required to determine if a completed and signed Form W-5 is correct. However, you should contact the IRS if you have reason to believe it contains an incorrect statement.

How to figure the advance EIC payment. To figure the amount of the advance EIC payment to include with the employee's pay, you must consider:

- Wages, including reported tips, for the same period. Generally, figure advance EIC payments using the amount of wages subject to income tax withholding. If an employee's wages are not subject to income tax withholding, use the amount of wages subject to withholding for social security and Medicare taxes.
- Whether the employee is married or single.
- Whether a married employee's spouse has a Form W-5 in effect with an employer.

Do not consider combat zone pay received by the employee and excluded from income as earned income when figuring the advance EIC payment.

Figure the amount of advance EIC to include in the employee's pay by using the tables that begin on page 62. There are separate tables for employees whose spouses have a Form W-5 in effect. See page 38 for instructions using the advance EIC payment tables.



The amount of advance EIC paid to an employee during 2010 cannot exceed \$1,830. For example if during the year you have paid an employee with

one child total wages of at least \$35,535 (\$40,545 if married filing jointly), you must also stop making advance EIC payments to that employee for the rest of the year.

Paying the advance EIC to employees. An advance EIC payment is not subject to withholding of income, social security, or Medicare taxes. An advance EIC payment does not change the amount of income, social security, or Medicare taxes you withhold from the employee's wages. You add the EIC payment to the employee's net pay for the pay period. At the end of the year, you show the total advance EIC payments in box 9 on Form W-2. Do not include this amount as wages in box 1.

Employer's returns. Show the total payments you made to employees on the advance EIC payments line (line 9) of your Form 941 (line 8 of Form 944). Subtract this amount from your total taxes on line 8 (line 7 of Form 944). See the separate Instructions for Form 941 (or the separate Instructions for Form 944). Reduce the amounts reported on line 17 of 2009 Form 941 (line 15 of Form 944) or on appropriate lines of Schedule B (Form 941), Report of Tax Liability for Semiweekly Schedule Depositors, by any advance EIC paid to your employees.

Generally, employers will make the advance EIC payment from withheld income tax and employee and employer social security and Medicare taxes. These taxes are normally required to be paid over to the IRS either through federal tax deposits or with employment tax returns. For purposes of deposit due dates, advance EIC payments are treated as deposits of these taxes on the day you pay wages (including the advance EIC payment) to your employees. The payments are treated as deposits of these taxes in the following order: (1) income tax withholding, (2) withheld employee social security and Medicare taxes, and (3) the employer's share of social security and Medicare taxes.

Example. You have 10 employees, each entitled to an advance EIC payment of \$10. The total amount of advance EIC payments you make for the payroll period is \$100. The total amount of income tax withholding for the payroll period is \$90. The total employee and employer social security and Medicare taxes for the payroll period is \$122.60 (\$61.30 each).

You are considered to have made a deposit of \$100 advance EIC payment on the day you paid wages. The \$100 is treated as if you deposited the \$90 total income tax withholding and \$10 of the employee social security and Medicare taxes. You remain liable for depositing the remaining \$112.60 of the social security and Medicare taxes (\$51.30 + \$61.30 = \$112.60).

Advance EIC payments more than taxes due. For any payroll period, if the total advance EIC payments are more than the total employment taxes (withheld income tax and both employee and employer shares of social security and Medicare taxes), you may choose either to:

- Reduce each employee's advance payment proportionally so that the total advance EIC payments equal the amount of taxes due or
- Make full payment of the advance EIC and treat the excess as an advance payment of employment taxes.

Example. You have 10 employees who are each entitled to an advance EIC payment of \$10. The total amount of advance EIC payable for the payroll period is \$100. The total employment tax for the payroll period is \$90 (including

income tax withholding and social security and Medicare taxes). The advance EIC payable is \$10 more than the total employment tax. The \$10 excess is 10% of the advance EIC payable (\$100). You may—

- Reduce each employee's payment by 10% (to \$9 each) so the advance EIC payments equal your total employment tax (\$90) or
- Pay each employee \$10, and treat the excess \$10 as an advance payment of employment taxes. See the Instructions for Form 941 (or the Instructions for Form 944) for reporting details.

U.S. possessions. If you are in American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, or the U.S. Virgin Islands, consult your local tax office for information on the EIC. You cannot take advance EIC payments into account on Form 941-SS or Form 944-SS.

Required Notice to Employees

You must notify employees who have no federal income tax withheld they may be able to claim a tax refund because of the EIC. Although you do not have to notify employees who claim exemption from withholding on Form W-4 about the EIC, you are encouraged to notify any employees whose wages for 2009 were less than \$43,352 (\$48,362 if married filing jointly) they may be eligible to claim the credit for 2010. This is because eligible employees may get a refund of the amount of EIC that is more than the tax they owe.

You will meet this notification requirement if you issue the employee Form W-2 with the EIC notice on the back of Copy B, or a substitute Form W-2 with the same statement. You will also meet the requirement by providing Notice 797, Possible Federal Tax Refund Due to the Earned Income Credit (EIC), or your own statement that contains the same wording.

If a substitute for Form W-2 is given to the employee on time but does not have the required statement, you must notify the employee within 1 week of the date the substitute for Form W-2 is given. If Form W-2 is required but is not given on time, you must give the employee Notice 797 or your written statement by the date Form W-2 is required to be given. If Form W-2 is not required, you must notify the employee by February 8, 2010.

11. Depositing Taxes

In general, you must deposit federal income tax withheld and both the employer and employee social security and Medicare taxes (minus any advance EIC payments). You must deposit by using the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS) or by mailing or delivering a check, money order, or cash with Form 8109, Federal Tax Deposit Coupon, to a financial institution that is an authorized depositary for federal taxes. Some taxpayers are required to deposit using EFTPS. See *How To Deposit* on page 23 for information on electronic deposit requirements for 2010.



The credit against employment taxes for COBRA assistance payments you take on line 12a of Form 941 or line 11a of Form 944 is treated as a

deposit of taxes on the first day of your return period. See COBRA premium assistance credit on page 7 for more information.

Payment with return. You may make a payment with Form 941 or Form 944 instead of depositing, without incurring a penalty, if one of the following applies.

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- Your Form 941 total tax liability for either the current quarter or the preceding quarter is less than \$2,500, and you did not incur a \$100,000 next-day deposit obligation during the current quarter. If you are not sure your total tax liability for the current quarter will be less than \$2,500, (and your liability for the preceding quarter was not less than \$2,500), make deposits using the semi-weekly or monthly rules so you won't be subject to failure to deposit penalties.
- You are a monthly schedule depositor (defined below) and make a payment in accordance with the Accuracy of Deposits Rule discussed on page 23.

 This payment may be \$2,500 or more.

Employers who have been notified to file Form 944 can pay their fourth quarter tax liability with Form 944 if the fourth quarter tax liability is less than \$2,500. Employers must have deposited any tax liability due for the first, second, and third quarters according to the deposit rules to avoid failure-to-deposit penalties for deposits during those quarters.

Separate deposit requirements for nonpayroll (Form 945) tax liabilities. Separate deposits are required for nonpayroll and payroll income tax withholding. Do not combine deposits for Forms 941 (or Form 944) and 945 tax liabilities. Generally, the deposit rules for nonpayroll liabilities are the same as discussed below, except the rules apply to an annual rather than a quarterly return period. Thus, the \$2,500 threshold for the deposit requirement discussed above applies to Form 945 on an annual basis. See the separate Instructions for Form 945 for more information.

When To Deposit

There are two deposit schedules—monthly and semi-weekly—for determining when you deposit social security, Medicare, and withheld income taxes. These schedules tell you when a deposit is due after a tax liability arises (for example, when you have a payday). Before the beginning of each calendar year, you must determine which of the two deposit schedules you are required to use. The deposit schedule you must use is based on the total tax liability you reported on Form 941 during a lookback period discussed below. Your deposit schedule is not determined by how often you pay your employees or make deposits. See special rules for Forms 944 and 945 below. See *Application of Monthly and Semiweekly Schedules* on page 22.



These rules do not apply to federal unemployment (FUTA) tax. See section 14 for information on depositing FUTA tax.

Lookback period. If you are a Form 941 filer, your deposit schedule for a calendar year is determined from the total taxes reported on line 8 of your Forms 941 in a 4-quarter lookback period. The lookback period begins July 1 and ends June 30 as shown in Table 1 below. If you reported \$50,000 or less of taxes for the lookback period, you are a monthly schedule depositor; if you reported more than \$50,000, you are a semiweekly schedule depositor.

Table 1. Lookback Period for Calendar Year 2010

	Lookbac	k Period			
2008	-		2009		2010
July 1	Oct. 1	Jan. 1	Apr.1		Calendar Year
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Sep. 30	Dec. 31	Mar. 31	June 30		JanDec.



The lookback period for a 2010 Form 941 filer who filed Form 944 in either 2008 or 2009 is calendar year 2008.

If you are a Form 944 filer for the current year or either of the preceding 2 years, your deposit schedule for a calendar year is determined from the total taxes reported during the second preceding calendar year (either on line 8 of your Form 941 for all 4 quarters of that year or line 7 of your Form 944 for that year). The lookback period for 2010 for a Form 944 filer is calendar year 2008. If you reported \$50,000 or less of taxes for the lookback period, you are a monthly schedule depositor; if you reported more than \$50,000, you are a semiweekly schedule depositor.

If you are a Form 945 filer, your deposit schedule for a calendar year is determined from the total taxes reported on line 4 of your Form 945 for the second preceding calendar year. The lookback period for 2010 for a Form 945 filer is calendar year 2008.

Adjustments and the lookback rule. Determine your tax liability for the 4 quarters in the lookback period based on the tax liability as reported on your Forms 941. If you made adjustments on lines 7d, 7e, 7f, or 7g on Forms 941, or lines 6b, 6c, 6d, or 6e on Form 944, filed for periods in 2008 and earlier to correct errors on previously filed Forms 941 and Form 944, these adjustments do affect the amount of tax liability for purposes of the lookback rule. Adjustments made on Forms 941-X and Form 944-X do not affect the amount of tax liability for previous periods for purposes of the lookback rule.

Example. An employer originally reported a tax liability of \$45,000 for the lookback period. The employer discovered during January 2010, the tax during one of the lookback period quarters was understated by \$10,000 and corrected this error by filing Form 941-X for the quarter in which the error was discovered. This employer is a monthly schedule depositor for 2010 because the lookback period tax liabilities are based on the amounts originally reported, and they were \$50,000 or less.

Deposit period. The term deposit period refers to the period during which tax liabilities are accumulated for each required deposit due date. For monthly schedule depositors, the deposit period is a calendar month. The deposit periods for semiweekly schedule depositors are Wednesday through Friday and Saturday through Tuesday.

Monthly Deposit Schedule

You are a monthly schedule depositor for a calendar year if the total taxes on line 8 of Form 941 for the 4 quarters in your lookback period were \$50,000 or less. Under the monthly deposit schedule, deposit employment taxes on payments made during a month by the 15th day of the following month. See also <u>Deposits on Banking Days</u> Only on page 22.

Monthly schedule depositors should not file Form 941 or Form 944 on a monthly basis. Also, do not file Form 941-M,

Employer's Monthly Federal Tax Return, unless you are instructed to do so by an IRS representative.

New employers. Your tax liability for any quarter in the lookback period before you started or acquired your business is considered to be zero. Therefore, you are a monthly schedule depositor for the first calendar year of your business. However, see the \$100,000 Next-Day Deposit Rule on page 23.

Semiweekly Deposit Schedule

You are a semiweekly schedule depositor for a calendar year if the total taxes on line 8 of Form 941 during your lookback period were more than \$50,000. Under the semiweekly deposit schedule, deposit employment taxes for payments made on Wednesday, Thursday, and/or Friday by the following Wednesday. Deposit taxes for payments made on Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and/or Tuesday by the following Friday. See also <u>Deposits on Banking Days Only</u> later.

Note. Semiweekly schedule depositors must complete Schedule B (Form 941), Report of Tax Liability for Semiweekly Schedule Depositors, and submit it with Form 941. If you file Form 944 and are a semiweekly schedule depositor, complete Form 945-A, Annual Record of Federal Tax Liability, and submit it with your return (instead of Schedule B).

Table 2. Semiweekly Deposit Schedule

IF the payday falls on a	THEN deposit taxes by the following
Wednesday, Thursday, and/or Friday	Wednesday
Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and/or Tuesday	Friday

Semiweekly deposit period spanning 2 quarters. If you have more than one pay date during a semiweekly period and the pay dates fall in different calendar quarters, you will need to make **separate deposits** for the separate liabilities.

Example 1. If you have a pay date on Wednesday, September 29, 2010 (third quarter), and another pay date on Friday, October 1, 2010 (fourth quarter), two separate deposits would be required even though the pay dates fall within the same semiweekly period. Both deposits would be due Wednesday, October 6, 2010 (3 banking days from the end of the semiweekly deposit period).

Example 2. If you made a payment on both Wednesday and Friday and incurred taxes of \$10,000 for each pay date, deposit the \$20,000 on the following Wednesday. If you made no additional payments on Saturday through Tuesday, no deposit is due on the following Friday.

Summary of Steps to Determine Your Deposit Schedule

- Identify your lookback period (see Lookback period earlier).
 Add the total taxes from line 8, Form 941 you reported during the lookback period.
- 3. Determine if you are a monthly or semiweekly schedule depositor:

If the total taxes you reported in the lookback period were	Then you are a
\$50,000 or less	Monthly Schedule Depositor
More than \$50,000	Semiweekly Schedule Depositor

Example of Monthly and Semiweekly Schedules

Rose Co. reported Form 941 taxes as follows:

2009 Lookbad	k Period	2010 Lookback Period		
3rd Quarter 2007	\$12,000	3rd Quarter 2008	\$12,000	
4th Quarter 2007	\$12,000	4th Quarter 2008	\$12,000	
1st Quarter 2008	\$12,000	1st Quarter 2009	\$12,000	
2nd Quarter 2008	<u>\$12,000</u>	2nd Quarter 2009	<u>\$15,000</u>	
	\$48,000		\$51,000	

Rose Co. is a monthly schedule depositor for 2009 because its tax liability for the 4 quarters in its lookback period (third quarter 2007 through second quarter 2008) was not more than \$50,000. However, for 2010, Rose Co. is a semiweekly schedule depositor because the total taxes exceeded \$50,000 for the 4 quarters in its lookback period (third quarter 2008 through second quarter 2009).

Deposits on Banking Days Only

If a deposit is required to be made on a day that is not a banking day, the deposit is considered timely if it is made by the close of the next banking day. In addition to federal and state bank holidays, Saturdays and Sundays are treated as nonbanking days. For example, if a deposit is required to be made on a Friday and Friday is not a banking day, the deposit will be considered timely if it is made by the following Monday (if that Monday is a banking day).

Semiweekly schedule depositors have at least 3 banking days to make a deposit. If any of the 3 weekdays after the end of a semiweekly period is a banking holiday, you will have 1 additional banking day to deposit. For example, if a semiweekly schedule depositor accumulated taxes for payments made on Friday and the following Monday is not a banking day, the deposit normally due on Wednesday may be made on Thursday (allowing 3 banking days to make the deposit).

Application of Monthly and Semiweekly Schedules

The terms "monthly schedule depositor" and "semiweekly schedule depositor" do not refer to how often your business pays its employees or even how often you are required to make deposits. The terms identify which set of deposit rules you must follow when an employment tax liability arises. The deposit rules are based on the dates

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when wages are paid (for example, cash basis); not on when tax liabilities are accrued for accounting purposes.

Monthly schedule example. Spruce Co. is a monthly schedule depositor with seasonal employees. It paid wages each Friday. During March it paid wages but did not pay any wages during April. Under the monthly deposit schedule, Spruce Co. must deposit the combined tax liabilities for the four March paydays by April 15. Spruce Co. does not have a deposit requirement for April (due by May 15) because no wages were paid and, therefore, it did not have a tax liability for April.

Semiweekly schedule example. Green, Inc., which has a semiweekly deposit schedule, pays wages once each month on the last day of the month. Although Green, Inc., has a semiweekly deposit schedule, it will deposit just once a month because it pays wages only once a month. The deposit, however, will be made under the semiweekly deposit schedule as follows: Green, Inc.'s tax liability for the April 23, 2010 (Friday), payday must be deposited by April 28, 2010 (Wednesday). Under the semiweekly deposit schedule, liabilities for wages paid on Wednesday through Friday must be deposited by the following Wednesday.

\$100,000 Next-Day Deposit Rule

If you accumulate \$100,000 or more of taxes (line 10 of Form 941 or line 9 of Form 944) on any day during a deposit period, you must deposit the tax by the next banking day, whether you are a monthly or semiweekly schedule depositor.

For purposes of the \$100,000 rule, do not continue accumulating a tax liability after the end of a deposit period. For example, if a semiweekly schedule depositor has accumulated a liability of \$95,000 on a Tuesday (of a Saturday-through-Tuesday deposit period) and accumulated a \$10,000 liability on Wednesday, the \$100,000 next-day deposit rule does not apply. Thus, \$95,000 must be deposited by Friday and \$10,000 must be deposited by the following Wednesday.

However, once you accumulate at least \$100,000 in a deposit period, stop accumulating at the end of that day and begin to accumulate anew on the next day. For example, Fir Co. is a semiweekly schedule depositor. On Monday, Fir Co. accumulates taxes of \$110,000 and must deposit this amount on Tuesday, the next banking day. On Tuesday, Fir Co. accumulates additional taxes of \$30,000. Because the \$30,000 is not added to the previous \$110,000 and is less than \$100,000, Fir Co. must deposit the \$30,000 by Friday (following the semiweekly deposit schedule).



If you are a monthly schedule depositor and accumulate a \$100,000 tax liability on any day, you become a semiweekly schedule depositor on the

next day and remain so for at least the rest of the calendar year and for the following calendar year.

Example. Elm, Inc., started its business on April 1, 2010. On April 9, it paid wages for the first time and accumulated a tax liability of \$40,000. On Friday, April 16, 2010, Elm, Inc., paid wages and accumulated a liability of \$60,000, bringing its accumulated tax liability to \$100,000. Because this was the first year of its business, the tax liability for its lookback period is considered to be zero, and it would be a monthly schedule depositor based on the lookback rules. However, since Elm, Inc., accumulated a \$100,000 liability on April 16, it became a semiweekly schedule depositor for the remainder of 2010 and for 2011.

Elm, Inc., is required to deposit the \$100,000 by Monday, April 19, the next banking day.

Accuracy of Deposits Rule

You are required to deposit 100% of your tax liability on or before the deposit due date. However, penalties will not be applied for depositing less than 100% if both of the following conditions are met.

- Any deposit shortfall does not exceed the greater of \$100 or 2% of the amount of taxes otherwise required to be deposited and
- The deposit shortfall is paid or deposited by the shortfall makeup date as described below.

Makeup Date for Deposit Shortfall:

- Monthly schedule depositor. Deposit the shortfall or pay it with your return by the due date of your return for the return period in which the shortfall occurred. You may pay the shortfall with your return even if the amount is \$2,500 or more.
- Semiweekly schedule depositor. Deposit by the earlier of:
 - a. The first Wednesday or Friday (whichever comes first) that falls on or after the 15th of the month following the month in which the shortfall occurred or
 - The due date of your return (for the return period of the tax liability).

For example, if a semiweekly schedule depositor has a deposit shortfall during July 2010, the shortfall makeup date is August 18, 2010 (Wednesday). However, if the shortfall occurred on the required April 2 (Friday) deposit due date for a March 29 (Monday) pay date, the return due date for the March 29 pay date (April 30) would come before the May 19 (Wednesday) shortfall makeup date. In this case, the shortfall must be deposited by April 30

How To Deposit

The two methods of depositing employment taxes, including Form 945 taxes, are discussed below. See <u>Payment with return</u> on page 20 for exceptions explaining when taxes may be paid with the tax return instead of being deposited.

Electronic deposit requirement. You must make electronic deposits of all depository taxes (such as employment tax, excise tax, and corporate income tax) using the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS) in 2010 if:

- Your total deposits of depository taxes in 2008 were more than \$200,000 or
- You were required to use EFTPS in 2009 or any prior year.

If you are required to use EFTPS and fail to do so, you may be subject to a 10% failure-to-deposit penalty. EFTPS is a free service provided by the Department of Treasury. If you are not required to use EFTPS, you may participate voluntarily. To get more information or to enroll in EFTPS, call 1-800-555-4477. You can also visit the EFTPS website at www.eftps.gov.

When you receive your EIN. If you are a new employer that indicated a federal tax obligation when requesting an

EIN, you will be pre-enrolled in EFTPS. You will receive information in your Employer Identification Number (EIN) Package about Express Enrollment and an additional mailing containing your EFTPS personal identification number (PIN) and instructions for activating your PIN. Call the toll-free number located in your "How to Activate Your Enrollment' brochure to activate your enrollment and begin making your payroll tax deposits. Be sure to tell your payroll provider about your EFTPS enrollment. Consider using EFTPS to make your other federal tax payments electronically as well. You should activate your EFTPS enrollment now even if you plan to deposit using FTD coupons (Form 8109) because it may take 5 to 6 weeks to receive the coupons and you may be required to make a deposit while waiting for them.

Depositing on time. For deposits made by EFTPS to be on time, you must initiate the transaction at least 1 business day before the date the deposit is due.

Deposit record. For your records, an Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) Trace Number will be provided with each successful payment. The number can be used as a receipt or to trace the payment.

Same day payment option. If you fail to initiate a deposit transaction on EFTPS at least 1 business day before the date a deposit is due, you can still make your deposit on time by using the Federal Reserve-Electronic Tax Application (FR-ETA). If you ever need the same-day payment method, you will need to make arrangements with your financial institution ahead of time. FR-ETA allows you to initiate the transaction and have the funds transferred from your financial institution on the same day. Enrollment in EFTPS automatically enrolls you in FR-ÉTA. Instructions for using FR-ETA are included in your EFTPS enrollment package. Business taxpayers can use FR-ETA even if not enrolled, but may need help to have their financial institution use the proper format for making the payment. The guidelines for financial institutions for making payments using FR-ETA can be found at www.frbservices.org/ files/serviceofferings/pdf/Sameday.pdf.

Making deposits with FTD coupons. If you are not making deposits by EFTPS, use Form 8109 to make the deposits at an authorized financial institution.

For **new employers**, if you would like to receive a Federal Tax Deposit (FTD) coupon booklet, call 1-800-829-4933. Allow 5 to 6 weeks for delivery. Consider activating your enrollment in EFTPS now so you can make timely deposits of employment taxes while waiting for requested FTD coupons.

The IRS will keep track of the number of FTD coupons you use and automatically will send you additional coupons when you need them. If you do not receive your resupply of FTD coupons, call 1-800-829-4933. You can have the FTD coupon books sent to a branch office, tax preparer, or service bureau that is making your deposits by showing that address on Form 8109-C, FTD Address Change, which is in the FTD coupon book. Filing Form 8109-C will not change your address of record; it will change only the address where the FTD coupons are mailed. The FTD coupons will be preprinted with your name, address, and EIN. They have entry boxes for indicating the type of tax and the tax period for which the deposit is made.

It is very important to clearly mark the correct type of tax and tax period on each FTD coupon. This information is used by the IRS to credit your account.

If you have branch offices depositing taxes, give them FTD coupons and complete instructions so they can deposit the taxes when due.

Please use only your FTD coupons. If you use anyone else's FTD coupon, you may be subject to a failure-to-deposit penalty. This is because your account will be underpaid by the amount of the deposit credited to the other person's account. See *Deposit Penalties* on page 25 for penalty amounts.

How to deposit with a FTD coupon. Mail or deliver each FTD coupon and a single payment covering the taxes to be deposited to an authorized depositary. An authorized depositary is a financial institution (for example, a commercial bank) authorized to accept federal tax deposits. Follow the instructions in the FTD coupon book. Make your check or money order payable to the depositary. To help ensure proper crediting of your account, include your EIN, the type of tax (for example, Form 941), and the tax period to which the payment applies on your check or money order.

Authorized depositaries must accept cash, a postal money order drawn to the order of the depositary, or a check or draft drawn on and to the order of the depositary. You may deposit taxes with a check drawn on another financial institution only if the depositary is willing to accept that form of payment. Be sure the financial institution where you make deposits is an authorized depositary. Deposits made at an unauthorized institution may be subject to the failure-to-deposit penalty.

If you prefer, you may mail your coupon and payment to: Financial Agent, Federal Tax Deposit Processing, P.O. Box 970030, St. Louis, MO 63197. Make your check or money order payable to "Financial Agent."

The Financial Agent cannot process foreign checks. If you send a check written on a foreign bank to pay a federal tax deposit, you generally will be charged a deposit penalty and will receive a bill in the mail. A foreign bank is a financial institution that is not incorporated under the laws of the United States, any U.S. state, any U.S. possession, or the District of Columbia.

You may enroll in the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS), which will allow you to make electronic payments at no charge to you. Instructions for enrollment are available at www.eftps.gov.

You may also make the payments by wire transfer, through EFTPS, without being enrolled. A same day payment is initiated by your financial institution and can be used by businesses for making EFTPS tax payments. Please check with your financial institution regarding availability, deadlines, and costs. Generally, your bank will charge you a fee for payments made this way.

Depositing on time. The IRS determines whether deposits are on time by the date they are received by an authorized depositary. To be considered timely, the funds must be available to the depositary on the deposit due date before the institution's daily cutoff deadline. Contact your local depositary for information concerning check clearance and cutoff schedules. However, a deposit received by the authorized depositary after the due date will be considered timely if the taxpayer establishes it was mailed in the United States in a properly addressed, postage prepaid envelope at least 2 days before the due date.



If you must deposit any taxes more than once a month, any deposit of \$20,000 or more must be received by the authorized depositary by its due date to be timely. See Internal Revenue Code section

7502(e)(3) for more information.

Depositing without an EIN. If you have applied for an EIN but have not received it and you must make a deposit, make the deposit with the IRS. Do not make the deposit at an authorized depositary. Make it payable to the "United States Treasury" and show on it your name (as shown on Form SS-4), address, kind of tax, period covered, and date you applied for an EIN. Send your deposit with an explanation to the IRS office where you will file your return. IRS office addresses are in the instructions for your return and on the IRS website at www.irs.gov/businesses under

"Where To File." Use the "Without a payment" address. Do not use Form 8109-B, Federal Tax Deposit Coupon, in this situation.

Depositing without Form 8109. If you have an EIN but do not have a preprinted Form 8109, you may use Form 8109-B to make deposits. Form 8109-B is an over-the-counter FTD coupon that is not preprinted with your identifying information. You may get this form by visiting an IRS taxpayer assistance center. Be sure to have your EIN with you. You will not be able to obtain Form 8109-B by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM.

Use Form 8109-B to make deposits only if:

- You are a new employer and you have been assigned an EIN, but you have not received your initial supply of Forms 8109 or
- You have not received your resupply of preprinted Forms 8109.

Deposit record. For your records, a stub is provided with each FTD coupon in the coupon book. The FTD coupon itself will not be returned. It is used to credit your account. Your cancelled check, bank receipt, or money order receipt is your deposit record.

How to claim credit for overpayments. If you deposited more than the right amount of taxes for a quarter, you can choose on Form 941 for that quarter (or on Form 944 for that year) to have the overpayment refunded or applied as a credit to your next return. Do not ask the depositary or EFTPS to request a refund from the IRS for you.

Deposit Penalties



Although the deposit penalties information provided below refers specifically to Form 941, these rules also apply to Form 945 and Form 944 (if the

employer required to file Form 944 does not qualify for the exception to the deposit requirements discussed on page 20 under Payment with return).

Penalties may apply if you do not make required deposits on time, if you make deposits for less than the required amount, or if you do not use EFTPS when required. The penalties do not apply if any failure to make a proper and timely deposit was due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect. The IRS may also waive penalties if you inadvertently fail to deposit in the first quarter you were required to deposit any employment tax, or in the first quarter during which your frequency of deposits changed, if you timely filed your employment tax return.

For amounts not properly or timely deposited, the penalty rates are as follows.

- 2% Deposits made 1 to 5 days late.
- **5%** Deposits made 6 to 15 days late.
- 10% Deposits made 16 or more days late. Also applies to amounts paid within 10 days of the date of the first notice the IRS sent asking for the tax due.
- Deposits made at an unauthorized financial institution, paid directly to the IRS, or paid with your tax return. But see <u>Depositing without an EIN</u> on page 24 and <u>Payment with return</u> on page 20 for exceptions.

- 10% Amounts subject to electronic deposit requirements but not deposited using EFTPS.
- 15% Amounts still unpaid more than 10 days after the date of the first notice the IRS sent asking for the tax due or the day on which you received notice and demand for immediate payment, whichever is earlier.

Late deposit penalty amounts are determined using calendar days, starting from the due date of the liability.

Special rule for former Form 944 filers. If you filed Form 944 for the prior year and file Forms 941 for the current year, the failure-to-deposit penalty will not apply to a late deposit of employment taxes for January of the current year if the taxes are deposited in full by March 15 of the current year.

Order in which deposits are applied. Deposits generally are applied to the most recent tax liability within the quarter. If you receive a failure-to-deposit penalty notice, you may designate how your deposits are to be applied in order to minimize the amount of the penalty if you do so within 90 days of the date of the notice. Follow the instructions on the penalty notice you received. For more information on designating deposits, see Revenue Procedure 2001-58. You can find Revenue Procedure 2001-58 on page 579 of Internal Revenue Bulletin 2001-50 at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-irbs/irb01-50.pdf.

Example. Cedar, Inc. is required to make a deposit of \$1,000 on June 15 and \$1,500 on July 15. It does not make the deposit on June 15. On July 15, Cedar, Inc. deposits \$2,000. Under the deposits rule, which applies deposits to the most recent tax liability, \$1,500 of the deposit is applied to the July 15 deposit and the remaining \$500 is applied to the June deposit. Accordingly, \$500 of the June 15 liability remains undeposited. The penalty on this underdeposit will apply as explained on page 25.

Trust fund recovery penalty. If federal income, social security, and Medicare taxes that must be withheld are not withheld or are not deposited or paid to the United States Treasury, the trust fund recovery penalty may apply. The penalty is the full amount of the unpaid trust fund tax. This penalty may apply to you if these unpaid taxes cannot be immediately collected from the employer or business.

The trust fund recovery penalty may be imposed on all persons who are determined by the IRS to be responsible for collecting, accounting for, and paying over these taxes, and who acted willfully in not doing so.

A **responsible person** can be an officer or employee of a corporation, a partner or employee of a partnership, an accountant, a volunteer director/trustee, or an employee of a sole proprietorship. A responsible person also may include one who signs checks for the business or otherwise has authority to cause the spending of business funds.

Willfully means voluntarily, consciously, and intentionally. A responsible person acts willfully if the person knows the required actions are not taking place.

Separate accounting when deposits are not made or withheld taxes are not paid. Separate accounting may be required if you do not pay over withheld employee social security, Medicare, or income taxes; deposit required taxes; make required payments; or file tax returns. In this case, you would receive written notice from the IRS requiring you to deposit taxes into a special trust account for the U.S. Government. You would also have to file monthly tax returns on Form 941-M, Employer's Monthly Federal Tax Return.



You may be charged with criminal penalties if you do not comply with the special bank deposit requirements for the special trust account for the J.S. Government.

"Averaged" failure-to-deposit penalty. IRS may assess an "averaged" failure-to-deposit (FTD) penalty of 2% to 10% if you are a monthly schedule depositor and did not properly complete line 17 of Form 941 when your tax liability (line 10) shown on Form 941 equaled or exceeded

\$2,500. The IRS may also assess an "averaged" FTD penalty of 2% to 10% if you are a semiweekly schedule depositor and your tax liability (line 10) shown on Form 941 equaled or exceeded \$2,500 and you:

- Completed line 17 of Form 941 instead of Schedule B (Form 941),
- Failed to attach a properly completed Schedule B (Form 941), or
- Improperly completed Schedule B (Form 941) by, for example, entering tax deposits instead of tax liabilities in the numbered spaces.

The FTD penalty is figured by distributing your total tax liability shown on line 10 of Form 941 equally throughout the tax period. As a result, your deposits and payments may not be counted as timely because the actual dates of your tax liabilities cannot be accurately determined.

You can avoid an "averaged" FTD penalty by reviewing your return before you file it. Follow these steps before submitting your Form 941.

- If you are a monthly schedule depositor, report your tax liabilities (not your deposits) in the monthly entry spaces on line 17 of Form 941.
- If you are a semiweekly schedule depositor, report your tax liabilities (not your deposits) on Schedule B (Form 941) in the lines that represent the dates your employees were paid.
- Verify your total liability shown on line 17 of Form 941 or the bottom of Schedule B (Form 941) equals your tax liability shown on line 10 of Form 941.
- Do not show negative amounts on line 17 of Form 941 or Schedule B (Form 941).
- For prior period errors discovered after December 31, 2008, do not adjust your tax liabilities reported on line 17 of Form 941 or on Schedule B (Form 941).

12. Filing Form 941 or Form 944

Form 941. Each quarter, all employers who pay wages subject to income tax withholding (including withholding on sick pay and supplemental unemployment benefits) or social security and Medicare taxes must file Form 941, Employer's QUARTERLY Federal Tax Return, unless the employer is required to file Form 944 or the following exceptions apply. Form 941 must be filed by the last day of the month that follows the end of the quarter. See the Calendar on page 2.

Form 944. If you receive written notification you qualify for the Form 944 program, you must file Form 944, Employer's ANNUAL Federal Tax Return, instead of Form 941. If you received this notification, but prefer to file Form 941, you can request to have your filing requirement changed to Form 941 if you satisfy certain requirements. See the Instructions for Form 944 for details. Employers who must file Form 944 have until the last day of the month that follows the end of the year to file Form 944.

Exceptions. The following exceptions apply to the filing requirements for Forms 941 and 944.

- Seasonal employers who no longer file for quarters when they regularly have no tax liability because they have paid no wages. To alert the IRS you will not have to file a return for one or more quarters during the year, check the "Seasonal employer" box on line 19 of Form 941. When you fill out Form 941, be sure to check the box on the top of the form that corresponds to the quarter reported. Generally, the IRS will not inquire about unfiled returns if at least one taxable return is filed each year. However, you must check the "Seasonal employer" box on every Form 941 you file. Otherwise, the IRS will expect a return to be filed for each quarter.
- Household employers reporting social security and Medicare taxes and/or withheld income tax. If you are a sole proprietor and file Form 941 or Form 944 for business employees, you may include taxes for household employees on your Form 941 or Form 944. Otherwise, report social security and Medicare taxes and income tax withholding for household employees on Schedule H (Form 1040) Household Employment Taxes. See Publication 926, Household Employer's Tax Guide, for more informa-
- Employers reporting wages for employees in American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or Puerto Rico. If your employees are not subject to U.S. income tax withholding, use Form 941-SS or Form 944-SS. Employers in Puerto Rico use Form 941-PR or Form 944-PR. If you have both employees who are subject to U.S. income tax withholding and employees who are not subject to U.S. income tax withholding, you can file only Form 941 (or Form 944) and include all your employees wages on that form. For more information, see Publication 80 (Circular SS) Federal Tax Guide for Employers in US Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
- Agricultural employers reporting social security, Medicare, and withheld income taxes. Report these taxés on Form 943, Employer's Annual Federal Tax Return for Agricultural Employees.

Form 941 e-file. The Form 941 e-file program allows a taxpayer to electronically file Form 941 or Form 944 using a personal computer, modem, and commercial tax preparation software. For more information, visit the IRS website at www.irs.gov and click on the IRS e-file link, or call 1-866-255-0654.

Electronic filing by reporting agents. Reporting agents filing Forms 941 or Form 944 for groups of taxpayers can file them electronically. See Reporting Agents in section 7 of Publication 15-A.

Penalties. For each whole or part month a return is not filed when required (disregarding any extensions of the filing deadline), there is a failure-to-file penalty of 5% of the unpaid tax due with that return. The maximum penalty is generally 25% of the tax due. Also, for each whole or part month the tax is paid late (disregarding any extensions of the payment deadline), there is a failure-to-pay penalty of 0.5% per month of the amount of tax. For individual filers

only, the failure-to-pay penalty is reduced from 0.5% per month to 0.25% per month if an installment agreement is in effect. You must have filed your return on or before the due date of the return to qualify for the reduced penalty. The maximum amount of the failure-to-pay penalty is also 25% of the tax due. If both penalties apply in any month, the failure-to-file penalty is reduced by the amount of the failure-to-pay penalty. The penalties will not be charged if you have a reasonable cause for failing to file or pay. If you receive a penalty notice, you can provide an explanation of why you believe reasonable cause exists.

Note. In addition to any penalties, interest accrues from the due date of the tax on any unpaid balance.

If income, social security, or Medicare taxes that must be withheld are not withheld or are not paid, you may be personally liable for the trust fund recovery penalty. See *Trust fund recovery penalty* in section 11.

Use of a reporting agent or other third-party payroll service provider does not relieve an employer of the responsibility to ensure tax returns are filed and all taxes are paid or deposited correctly and on time.

Do not file more than one Form 941 per quarter or more than one Form 944 per year. Employers with multiple locations or divisions must file only one Form 941 per quarter or one Form 944 per year. Filing more than one return may result in processing delays and may require correspondence between you and the IRS. For information on making adjustments to previously filed returns, see section 13.

Reminders about filing.

- Do not report more than 1 calendar quarter on a Form 941.
- Use the preaddressed form mailed to you. If you do not have the form, get one from the IRS in time to file the return when due.
- If you use a form that is not preaddressed, show your name and EIN on it. Be sure they are exactly as they appeared on earlier returns.
- See the Instructions for Form 941 or the Instructions for Form 944 for information on preparing the form.

Final return. If you go out of business, you must file a final return for the last quarter (last year for Form 944) in which wages are paid. If you continue to pay wages or other compensation for periods following termination of your business, you must file returns for those periods. See the Instructions for Form 941 or the Instructions for Form 944 for details on how to file a final return.

If you are required to file a final return, you are also required to furnish Forms W-2 to your employees by the due date of your final return. File Forms W-2 and W-3 with the SSA by the last day of the month that follows the due date of your final return. Do not send an original or copy of your Form 941 or Form 944 to the SSA. See the Instructions for Forms W-2 and W-3 for more information.

Filing late returns for previous years. If possible, get a copy of Form 941 or Form 944 (and separate instructions) with a revision date showing the year for which your delinquent return is being filed. See *Quick and Easy Access to IRS Tax Help and Tax Products* on page 73 for various ways to secure any necessary forms and instructions. Contact the IRS at 1-800-829-4933 if you have any questions.

Table 3. Social Security and Medicare Tax Rates (for 3 prior years)

Calendar Year	Wage Base Limit (each employee)	Tax Rate on Taxable Wages and Tips
2009-Social Security	\$106,800	12.4%
2009-Medicare	All Wages	2.9%
2008-Social Security	\$102,000	12.4%
2008-Medicare	All Wages	2.9%
2007-Social Security	\$97,500	12.4%
2007-Medicare	All Wages	2.9%

Reconciling Forms W-2, W-3, and 941 or 944. When there are discrepancies between Forms 941 or Form 944 filed with the IRS and Forms W-2 and W-3 filed with the SSA, the IRS must contact you to resolve the discrepancies.

To help reduce discrepancies:

- Report bonuses as wages and as social security and Medicare wages on Forms W-2 and on Form 941 or Form 944,
- Report both social security and Medicare wages and taxes separately on Forms W-2, W-3, 941, and 944,
- Report employee share of social security taxes on Form W-2 in the box for social security tax withheld (box 4), not as social security wages,
- Report employee share of Medicare taxes on Form W-2 in the box for Medicare tax withheld (box 6), not as Medicare wages,
- Make sure the social security wage amount for each employee does not exceed the annual social security wage base limit (for example, \$106,800 for 2010),
- Do not report noncash wages that are not subject to social security or Medicare taxes as social security or Medicare wages,
- If you used an EIN on any Form 941 or Form 944 for the year that is different from the EIN reported on Form W-3, enter the other EIN on Form W-3 in the box for "Other EIN used this year,"
- 8. Be sure the amounts on Form W-3 are the total of amounts from Forms W-2, and
- Reconcile Form W-3 with your four quarterly Forms 941 or annual Form 944 by comparing amounts reported for:
 - a. Income tax withholding;
 - b. Social security wages, social security tips, and Medicare wages and tips. Form W-3 should include Forms 941 or Form 944 adjustments only for the current year (that is, if the Form 941 or Form 944 adjustments include amounts for a prior year, do not report those prior year adjustments on the current-year Forms W-2 and W-3);
 - c. Social security and Medicare taxes. The amounts shown on the four quarterly Forms 941 or the annual Form 944, including current-year adjustments, should be approximately twice the amounts shown on Form W-3. This is because

Form 941 and Form 944 include both the employer and employee shares of social security and Medicare taxes; and

d. Advance earned income credit (EIC).

Do not report on Form 941 or Form 944 backup withholding or income tax withholding on nonpayroll payments such as pensions, annuities, and gambling winnings. Nonpayroll withholding must be reported on Form 945, Annual Return of Withheld Federal Income Tax. See the Instructions for Form 945 for details. Income tax withholding required to be reported on Forms 1099 or W-2G must be reported on Form 945. Only taxes and withholding properly reported on Form W-2 should be reported on Form 941 or Form 944.

Amounts reported on Forms W-2, W-3, and Forms 941 or Form 944 may not match for valid reasons. If they do not match, you should determine the reasons they are valid. Keep your reconciliation so you will have a record of why amounts did not match in case there are inquiries from the IRS or the SSA. See the Instructions for Schedule D (Form 941) if you need to explain any discrepancies that were caused by an acquisition, statutory merger, or consolidation.

13. Reporting Corrections to Form 941 or Form 944

CAUTION

There is a new process for correcting errors on a previously filed Form 941 or Form 944, beginning with errors discovered after December 31, 2008.

Corrections to a previously filed Form 941 or Form 944 will be made on new Form 941-X or new Form 944-X. For more information, see the Instructions for Form 941-X or Form 944-X. Current period adjustments will continue to be reported on Form 941 or Form 944. See the Instructions for Form 941 (or the Instructions for Form 944). There are also new Forms 943-X, Adjusted Employer's Annual Federal Tax Return for Agricultural Employees or Claim for Refund, 945-X, Adjusted Annual Return of Withheld Federal Income Tax or Claim for Refund, and CT-1 X, Adjusted Employer's Annual Railroad Retirement Tax Return or Claim for Refund, report corrections on the corresponding returns. All of the X forms will be used by employers or payers to make corrections or claim refunds or abatements of employment taxes.

Current Period Adjustments

In certain cases, amounts reported as social security and Medicare taxes in column 2 of lines 5a, 5b, and 5c of Form 941 (column 2 of lines 4a, 4b, and 4c for Form 944) must be adjusted to arrive at your correct tax liability (for example, excluding amounts withheld by a third-party payor or amounts you were not required to withhold). Current period adjustments are reported on lines 7a, 7b, and 7c of Form 941 and line 6 of Form 944 and include the following:

Adjustment of tax on tips. If, by the 10th of the month after the month you received an employee's report on tips, you do not have enough employee funds available to withhold the employee's share of social security and Medicare taxes, you no longer have to collect it. However, report the entire amount of these tips on lines 5b (social security tips) and 5c (Medicare wages and tips) (lines 4b and 4c of Form 944). Include as a negative adjustment on line 7c of Form 941 or line 6 of Form 944 the total uncollected employee share of the social security and Medicare taxes.

Adjustment of tax on group-term life insurance premiums paid for former employees. The employee share of social security and Medicare taxes on group-term life insurance over \$50,000 for a former employee is paid by the former employee with his or her tax return and is not collected by the employer. However, include all social security and Medicare taxes for such coverage on lines 5a and 5c (social security and Medicare taxes) (lines 4a and 4c of Form 944), and back out the amount of the employee share of these taxes as a negative adjustment on line 7c of Form 941 or line 6 of Form 944. See Publication 15-B for more information on group-term life insurance.

Adjustment of tax on third-party sick pay. Report both the employer and employee shares of social security and Medicare taxes for sick pay on lines 5a and 5c of Form 941 (lines 4a and 4c of Form 944). Show as a negative adjustment on line 7b of Form 941 or line 6 of Form 944 the social security and Medicare taxes withheld on sick pay by a third-party payor. See section 6 of Publication 15-A for more information.

Fractions-of-cents adjustment. If there is a small difference between total taxes after adjustment for advance EIC (line 10) (line 9 of Form 944) and total deposits (line 13) (line 12 of Form 944), it may have been caused, all or in part, by rounding to the nearest cent each time you computed payroll. This rounding occurs when you figure the amount of social security and Medicare tax to be withheld and deposited from each employee's wages. The IRS refers to rounding differences relating to employee withholding of social security and Medicare taxes as "fractions-of-cents" adjustments. If you pay your taxes with Form 941 (or Form 944) instead of making deposits because your total taxes for the quarter (year for Form 944) are less than \$2,500, you also may report a fractions-of-cents adjustment.

To determine if you have a fractions-of-cents adjustment, multiply the total wages and tips for the quarter subject to:

- Social security tax (reported on lines 5a, column 1, and 5b, column 1) (or lines 4a and 4b of column 1 on Form 944) by 6.2% (.062) and
- Medicare tax (reported on line 5c, column 1) (line 4c of column 1 on Form 944) by 1.45% (.0145).

Compare these amounts (the employee share of social security and Medicare taxes) with the total social security and Medicare taxes actually withheld from employees for the quarter (from your payroll records). The difference, positive or negative, is your fractions-of-cents adjustment to be reported on line 7a of Form 941 or line 6 of the 2009 Form 944. If the actual amount withheld is less, report a negative adjustment using a minus sign (if possible, otherwise use parentheses) in the entry space. If the actual amount is more, report a positive adjustment.



For the above adjustments, prepare and retain a brief supporting statement explaining the nature and amount of each. Do not attach the statement

to Form 941 or Form 944.

Example. Cedar, Inc. was entitled to the following current period adjustments.

 Third-party sick pay. Cedar, Inc. included taxes of \$2,000 for sick pay on lines 5a, column 2 and 5c, column 2 for social security and Medicare taxes. However, the third-party payor of the sick pay withheld and paid the employee share (\$1,000) of these taxes. Cedar, Inc. is entitled to a \$1,000 sick pay adjustment (negative) on line 7b.

Current Period Adjustment Example (Form 941)

7 TAX ADJUSTMENTS (Read the instructions for line 7 before completing lines 7a through 7c.):

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7a Current quarter's fractions of cents	1∎44	
7b Current quarter's sick pay	-1000 • 00	
7c Current quarter's adjustments for tips and group-term life insurance	-200∎00	
7d TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS (Combine all amounts: lines 7a through 7c.)		-1198∎56

- Fractions of cents. Cedar, Inc. determined the amounts withheld and deposited for social security and Medicare taxes during the quarter were a net \$1.44 more than the employee share of the amount figured on lines 5a, column 2, 5b, column 2, and 5c, column 2 (social security and Medicare taxes). This difference was caused by adding or dropping fractions of cents when figuring social security and Medicare taxes for each wage payment. Cedar, Inc. must report a positive \$1.44 fractions-of-cents adjustment on line 7a.
- Life insurance premiums. Cedar, Inc. paid group-term life insurance premiums for policies in excess of \$50,000 for former employees. The former employees must pay the employee share of the social security and Medicare taxes (\$200) on the policies. However, Cedar, Inc. must include the employee share of these taxes with the social security and Medicare taxes reported on lines 5a, column 2 and 5c, column 2 of Form 941. Therefore, Cedar, Inc. is entitled to a negative \$200 adjustment on line 7c.

Cedar, Inc. reported these adjustments on line 7 of Form 941 as shown in the *Current Period Adjustment Example* above.

No change to record of federal tax liability. Do not make any changes to your record of federal tax liability reported on line 17 of Form 941 or Schedule B (Form 941) (Form 945-A for Form 944 filers) for current period adjustments. The amounts reported on the record reflect the actual amounts you withheld from employees' wages for social security and Medicare taxes. Because the current period adjustments make the amounts reported on lines 5a, column 2, 5b, column 2, and 5c, column 2 of Form 941 (lines 4a, 4b, and 4c of column 2 for Form 944) equal the actual amounts you withheld (the amounts reported on the record), no additional changes to the record of federal tax liability are necessary for these adjustments.

Prior Period Adjustments

New forms. The Internal Revenue Service has developed Form 941-X and Form 944-X to replace Form 941c, Supporting Statement to Correct Information. There are also new Forms 943-X, 945-X, and CT-1X to report corrections on the corresponding returns.

Form 941-X and Form 944-X also replace Form 843, Claim for Refund or Request for Abatement, for employers to request a refund or abatement of overreported employment taxes. Continue to use Form 843 when requesting a refund or abatement of assessed interest or penalties.

Background. Treasury Decision 9405 changed the process for making interest-free adjustments to employment taxes reported on Form 941 and Form 944 and for filing a claim for refund of employment taxes. Treasury Decision 9405, 2008-32 LR B, 293, is available at

9405, 2008-32 I.R.B. 293, is available at www.irs.gov/irb/2008-32_irb/ar13.html. You will use the adjustment process if you underreported employment taxes and are making a payment, or if you overreported employment taxes and will be applying the credit to the Form 941 or Form 944 period during which you file Form 941-X or Form 944-X. You will use the claim process if you overreported employment taxes and are requesting a refund or abatement of the overreported amount. We use the terms "correct" and "corrections" to include interest-free adjustments under sections 6205 and 6413, and claims for refund and abatement under sections 6402, 6414, and 6404 of the Internal Revenue Code.

New process for correcting employment taxes. After December 31, 2008, when you discover an error on a previously filed Form 941 or Form 944, you **must:**

- correct that error using Form 941-X or Form 944-X,
- file a separate Form 941-X or Form 944-X for each Form 941 or Form 944 you are correcting, and
- file Form 941-X or Form 944-X separately. Do not file with Form 941 or Form 944.

Beginning with the first quarter of 2009, Form 941 no longer provides adjustment lines (formerly lines 7d through 7g) for correcting prior quarter errors. Beginning with calendar year 2009, Form 944 will no longer provide adjustment lines (formerly lines 6b through 6e) for correcting prior year errors. However, continue to report current quarter adjustments for fractions of cents, third-party sick pay, tips, and group-term life insurance on Form 941 using lines 7a through 7c, and on Form 944 using line 6.

Report the correction of underreported and overreported amounts for the same tax period on a single Form 941-X or Form 944-X unless you are requesting a refund. If you are requesting a refund and are correcting both underreported and overreported amounts, file one Form 941-X or Form 944-X correcting the underreported amounts only and a second Form 941-X or Form 944-X correcting the overreported amounts.

See the chart on the back of Form 941-X or Form 944-X for help in choosing whether to use the adjustment process or the claim process. See the Instructions for Form 941-X or the Instructions for Form 944-X for details on how to make the adjustment or claim for refund or abatement.

Income tax withholding adjustments. In a current calendar year correct prior quarter income tax withholding errors by making the correction on Form 941-X when you discover the error.

You may make an adjustment only to correct income tax withholding errors discovered during the same calendar year in which you paid the wages. This is because the employee uses the amount shown on Form W-2 as a credit when filing his or her income tax return (Form 1040, etc.).

You cannot adjust amounts reported as income tax withheld in a prior calendar year unless it is to correct an administrative error or section 3509 applies. An administrative error occurs if the amount you entered on Form 941 or Form 944 is not the amount you actually withheld. For example, if the total income tax actually withheld was incorrectly reported on Form 941 or Form 944 due to a mathematical or transposition error, this would be an administrative error. The administrative error adjustment corrects the amount reported on Form 941 or Form 944 to agree with the amount actually withheld from employees and reported on their Forms W-2.

Collecting underwithheld taxes from employees. If you withheld no income, social security, or Medicare taxes or less than the correct amount from an employee's wages, you can make it up from later pay to that employee. But you are the one who owes the underpayment. Reimbursement is a matter for settlement between you and the employee. Underwithheld income tax must be recovered from the employee on or before the last day of the calendar year. There are special rules for tax on tips (see section 6) and fringe benefits (see section 5).

Refunding amounts incorrectly withheld from employees. If you withheld more than the correct amount of income, social security, or Medicare taxes from wages paid, repay or reimburse the employee the excess. Any excess income tax withholding must be repaid or reimbursed to the employee before the end of the calendar year in which it was withheld. Keep in your records the employee's written receipt showing the date and amount of the repayment or record of reimbursement. If you did not repay or reimburse the employee, you must report and pay each excess amount when you file Form 941 for the quarter (or Form 944 for the year) in which you withheld too much tax.

Correcting filed Forms W-2 and W-3. When adjustments are made to correct wages and social security and Medicare taxes because of a change in the wage totals reported for a previous year, you also need to file Form W-2c, Corrected Wage and Tax Statement, and Form W-3c, Transmittal of Corrected Wage and Tax Statements, with the SSA. Up to five Forms W-2c per Form W-3c may now be filed per session over the Internet, with no limit on the number of sessions. For more information, visit the Social Security Administration's Employer W-2 Filing Instructions & Information webpage at www.socialsecurity.gov/employer.

Exceptions to interest-free corrections of employment taxes. A correction will **not** be eligible for interest-free treatment if

 the failure to report relates to an issue raised in an IRS examination of a prior return or the employer knowingly underreported its employment tax liability.

A correction will **not** be eligible for interest-free treatment after the **earlier** of the following:

- Receipt of an IRS notice and demand for payment after assessment or
- Receipt of an IRS Notice of Determination of Worker Classification (Letter 3523).

Wage Repayments

If an employee repays you for wages received in error, do not offset the repayments against current-year wages unless the repayments are for amounts received in error in the current year.

Repayment of current year wages. If you receive repayments for wages paid during a prior quarter in the current year, report adjustments on Form 941-X to recover income tax withholding and social security and Medicare taxes for the repaid wages.

Repayment of prior year wages. If you receive repayments for wages paid during a prior year, report an adjustment on Form 941-X or Form 944-X to recover the social security and Medicare taxes. You may not make an adjustment for income tax withholding because the wages were wages and income to the employee for the prior year.

You also must file Forms W-2c and W-3c with the SSA to correct social security and Medicare wages and taxes. Do not correct wages (box 1) on Form W-2c for the amount paid in error. Give a copy of Form W-2c to the employee.

Employee reporting of repayment. The wages paid in error in the prior year remain taxable to the employee for that year. This is because the employee received and had use of those funds during that year. The employee is not entitled to file an amended return (Form 1040X) to recover the income tax on these wages. Instead, the employee is entitled to a deduction (or credit in some cases) for the repaid wages on his or her income tax return for the year of repayment.

14. Federal Unemployment (FUTA) Tax

The Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA), with state unemployment systems, provides for payments of unemployment compensation to workers who have lost their jobs. Most employers pay both a federal and a state unemployment tax. A list of state unemployment agencies, including addresses and phone numbers, is available in the Instructions for Form 940. Only the employer pays FUTA tax; it is not withheld from the employee's wages. For more information, see the Instructions for Form 940.



Services rendered after December 20, 2000, to a federally recognized Indian tribal government (or any subdivision, subsidiary, or business wholly

owned by such an Indian tribe) are exempt from FUTA tax, subject to the tribe's compliance with state law. For more information, see Internal Revenue Code section 3309(d).

Who must pay? Use the following three tests to determine whether you must pay FUTA tax. Each test applies to a different category of employee, and each is independent of the others. If a test describes your situation, you are subject to FUTA tax on the wages you pay to employees in that category during the current calendar year.

1. General test.

You are subject to FUTA tax in 2010 on the wages you pay employees who are not farmworkers or household workers if in the current or preceding calendar year:

- a. You paid wages of \$1,500 or more in any calendar quarter in 2009 or 2010, or
- b. You had one or more employees for at least some part of a day in any 20 or more different weeks in 2009 or 20 or more different weeks in 2010.

2. Household employees test.

You are subject to FUTA tax if you paid total cash wages of \$1,000 or more to household employees in any calendar quarter in 2009 or 2010. A household employee is an employee who performs household work in a private home, local college club, or local fraternity or sorority chapter.

Farmworkers test.

You are subject to FUTA tax on the wages you pay to farmworkers if:

- You paid cash wages of \$20,000 or more to farmworkers during any calendar quarter in 2009 or 2010, or
- b. You employed 10 or more farmworkers during at least some part of a day (whether or not at the same time) during any 20 or more different weeks in 2008 or 20 or more different weeks in 2009.

Computing FUTA tax. For 2009 and 2010 the FUTA tax rate is 6.2%. The tax applies to the first \$7,000 you pay to each employee as wages during the year. The \$7,000 is the federal wage base. Your state wage base may be different. Generally, you can take a credit against your FUTA tax for amounts you paid into state unemployment funds. This credit cannot be more than 5.4% of taxable wages. If you are entitled to the maximum 5.4% credit, the FUTA tax rate after the credit is 0.8%.

Successor employer. If you acquired a business from an employer who was liable for FUTA tax, you may be able to count the wages that employer paid to the employees who continue to work for you when you figure the \$7,000 FUTA wage base. See the Instructions for Form 940.

Depositing FUTA tax. For deposit purposes, figure FUTA tax quarterly. Determine your FUTA tax liability by multiplying the amount of taxable wages paid during the quarter by .008 (0.8%). Stop depositing FUTA tax on an employee's wages when he or she reaches \$7,000 in taxable wages for the calendar year. If any part of the wages subject to FUTA is exempt from state unemployment tax, you may have to deposit more than the tax using the 0.8% rate. For example, in certain states, wages paid to corporate officers, certain payments of sick pay by unions, and certain fringe benefits are exempt from state unemployment tax.

If your FUTA tax liability for a quarter is \$500 or less, you do not have to deposit the tax. Instead, you may carry it forward and add it to the liability figured in the next quarter to see if you must make a deposit. If your FUTA tax liability for any calendar quarter in 2010 is over \$500 (including any FUTA tax carried forward from an earlier quarter), you must deposit the tax using EFTPS or at an authorized financial institution using Form 8109. See section 11 for information on these two deposit methods.

Household employees. You are not required to deposit FUTA taxes for household employees unless you report their wages on Form 941, Form 944, or Form 943. See Publication 926, Household Employer's Tax Guide, for more information.

When to deposit. Deposit the FUTA tax by the last day of the first month that follows the end of the quarter. If the due date (below) for making your deposit falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, you may make your deposit on the next business day.

If your liability for the fourth quarter (plus any undeposited amount from any earlier quarter) is over \$500, deposit the entire amount by the due date of Form 940 (January 31). If it is \$500 or less, you can make a deposit, pay the tax with a credit or debit card, or pay the tax with your 2009 Form 940 by January 31. See Credit and Debit Card Payments on page 3.

Table 4. When to Deposit FUTA Taxes

Quarter	Ending	Due Date
JanFebMar.	Mar. 31	Apr. 30
AprMay-June	June 30	July 31
July-AugSept.	Sept. 30	Oct. 31
OctNovDec.	Dec. 31	Jan. 31

Reporting FUTA tax. Use Form 940, Employer's Annual Federal Unemployment (FUTA) Tax Return, to report FUTA tax. File 2009 Form 940 by February 1, 2010. However, if you deposited all FUTA tax when due, you may file on or before February 10, 2010. If you do not receive Form 940, you can get a form by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

Household employees. If you did not report employment taxes for household employees on Form 941, Form 944, or Form 943, report FUTA tax for these employees on Schedule H (Form 1040), Household Employment Taxes. See Publication 926 for more information. You must have an EIN to file Schedule H (Form 1040).

Electronic filing by reporting agents. Reporting agents filing Forms 940 for groups of taxpayers can file them electronically. See the *Reporting Agent* discussion in section 7 of Publication 15-A.

15. Special Rules for Various Types of Services and Payments Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

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		Income Tax Withholding	Social Security and Medicare	Federal Unemployment	
Aliens, nonresident.		See Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities, and Publication 519, U.S. Tax Guide for Aliens.			
Aliens, resident 1. Service performed in the U.S.		Same as U.S. citizen.	Same as U.S. citizen. (Exempt if any part of service as crew member of foreign vessel or aircraft is performed outside U.S.)	Same as U.S. citizen.	
2. Service performed outside U.S.		Withhold	Taxable if (1) working for an American employer or (2) an American employer by agreement covers U.S. citizens and residents employed by its foreign affiliates.	Exempt unless on or in connection with an American vessel or aircraft and either performed under contract made in U.S., or alien is employed on such vessel or aircraft when it touches U.S. port.	
Cafeteria plan benefits under section 125.		If employee chooses cash, subject to all employment taxes. If employee chooses another benefit, the treatment is the same as if the benefit was provided outside the plan. See Publication 15-B for more information.			
Dece	eased worker:				
1.	Wages paid to beneficiary or estate in same calendar year as worker's death. See the Instructions for Forms W-2 and W-3 for details.	Exempt	Taxable	Taxable	
2.	Wages paid to beneficiary or estate after calendar year of worker's death.	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	
Dependent care assistance programs.		Exempt to the extent it is reasonable to believe amounts are excludable from gross income under section 129.			
Disabled worker's wages paid after year in which worker became entitled to disability insurance benefits under the Social Security Act.		Withhold	Exempt, if worker did not perform any service for employer during period for which payment is made.	Taxable	
	loyee business expense bursement:				
1. Ad	ccountable plan. a. Amounts not exceeding specified government rate for per diem or standard mileage.	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	
	b. Amounts in excess of specified government rate for per diem or standard mileage.	Withhold	Taxable	Taxable	
2. No	onaccountable plan. See page 11 for details.	Withhold	Taxable	Taxable	
Fam	ily employees:				
1.	Child employed by parent (or partnership in which each partner is a parent of the child).	Withhold	Exempt until age 18; age 21 for domestic service.	Exempt until age 21	
2.	Parent employed by child.	Withhold	Taxable if in course of the son's or daughter's business. For domestic services, see section 3.	Exempt	
3.	Spouse employed by spouse. See section 3 for more information.	Withhold	Taxable if in course of spouse's business.	Exempt	
Eigh		See Publication 334, Tax Guide for Small Business.			
Fishing and related activities. Foreign governments and international organizations.		Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	

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	Income Tax Withholding	Social Security and Medicare	Federal Unemployment
Foreign service by U.S. citizens: 1. As U.S. government employees. 2. For foreign affiliates of American employers and other private employers.	Withhold Exempt if at time of payment (1) it is reasonable to believe employee is entitled to exclusion from income under section 911 or (2) the employer is required by law of the foreign country to withhold income tax on such payment.	Same as within U.S. Exempt unless (1) an American employer by agreement covers U.S. citizens employed by its foreign affiliates or (2) U.S. citizen works for American employer.	Exempt Exempt unless (1) on American vessel or aircraft and work is performed under contract made in U.S. or worker is employed on vessel when it touches U.S. port or (2) U.S. citizen works for American employer (except in a contiguous country with which the U.S. has an agreement for unemployment compensation) or in the U.S. Virgin Islands.
Fringe benefits	Taxable on excess of fair market value of the benefit over the sum of an amount paid for it by the employee and any amount excludable by law. However, special valuation rules may apply. Benefits provided under cafeteria plans may qualify for exclusion from wages for social security, Medicare, and FUTA taxes. See Publication 15-B for details.		
State/local governments and political subdivisions, employees of: Salaries and wages (includes payments to most elected and appointed officials.) See Chapter 3 of Publication 963, Federal-State Reference Guide. Election workers. Election individuals are workers who are employed to perform services for state or local governments at election booths in	Withhold	Generally, taxable for (1) services performed by employees who are either (a) covered under a section 218 agreement or (b) not covered under a section 218 agreement and not a member of a public retirement system (mandatory social security and Medicare coverage), and (2) (for Medicare tax only) for services performed by employees hired or rehired after 3/31/86 who are not covered under a section 218 agreement or the mandatory social security provisions, unless specifically excluded by law. See Publication 963. Taxable if paid \$1,500 or more in 2010 (lesser amount if specified by a section 218 social security	Exempt
connection with national, state, or local elections. Note. File Form W-2 for payments of \$600 or more even if no social security, or Medicare taxes were withheld. Emergency workers. Emergency workers who were hired on a temporary basis in response to a specific unforeseen emergency and are not intended to become permanent employees.	Withhold	Exempt if serving on a temporary basis in case of fire, storm, snow, earthquake, flood, or similar emergency.	Exempt
U.S. federal government employees	Withhold	Taxable for Medicare. Taxable for social security unless hired before 1984. See section 3121(b)(5).	Exempt

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		Income Tax Withholding	Social Security and Medicare	Federal Unemployment
Hon 1. 2.	neworkers (industrial, cottage industry): Common law employees. Statutory employees. See section 2 for details.	Withhold Exempt	Taxable Taxable if paid \$100 or more in cash in a year.	Taxable Exempt
1. 2.	pital employees: Interns Patients	Withhold Withhold	Taxable Taxable (Exempt for state or local government hospitals.)	Exempt Exempt
Hou 1.	sehold employees: Domestic service in private homes. Farmers, see Publication 51 (Circular A).	Exempt (withhold if both employer and employee agree).	Taxable if paid \$1,700 or more in cash in 2010. Exempt if performed by an individual under age 18 during any portion of the calendar year and is not the principal occupation of the employee.	Taxable if employer paid total cash wages of \$1,000 or more in any quarter in the current or preceding calendar year.
2.	Domestic service in college clubs, fraternities, and sororities.	Exempt (withhold if both employer and employee agree).	Exempt if paid to regular student; also exempt if employee is paid less than \$100 in a year by an income-tax-exempt employer.	Taxable if employer paid total cash wages of \$1,000 or more in any quarter in the current or preceding calendar year.
Insu	Accident and health insurance premiums under a plan or system for employees and their dependents generally or for a class or classes of employees and their dependents.	Exempt (except 2% shareholder-employees of S corporations).	Exempt	Exempt
2.	Group-term life insurance costs. See Publication 15-B for details	Exempt	Exempt, except for the cost of group-term life insurance includible in the employee's gross income. Special rules apply for former employees.	Exempt
Insu	rance agents or solicitors:			
1.	Full-time life insurance salesperson.	Withhold only if employee under common law. See section 2.	Taxable	Taxable if (1) employee under common law and (2) not paid solely by commissions.
2.	Other salesperson of life, casualty, etc., insurance.	Withhold only if employee under common law.	Taxable only if employee under common law.	Taxable if (1) employee under common law and (2) not paid solely by commissions.
Interest on loans with below-market interest rates (foregone interest and deemed original issue discount).		See Publication 15-A.		
	ve-sharing plans: Amounts paid to an ployee under a leave-sharing plan.	Withhold	Taxable	Taxable
Newspaper carriers and vendors: Newspaper carriers under age 18; newspaper and magazine vendors buying at fixed prices and retaining receipts from sales to customers. See Publication 15-A for information on statutory nonemployee status.		Exempt (withhold if both employer and employee voluntarily agree).	Exempt	Exempt

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5	Special Classes of Employment and Special Types of Payments	Treatment Under Employment Taxes		
		Income Tax Withholding	Social Security and Medicare	Federal Unemployment
None 1.	cash payments: For household work, agricultural labor, and service not in the course of the employer's trade or business.	Exempt (withhold if both employer and employee voluntarily agree).	Exempt	Exempt
2.	To certain retail commission salespersons ordinarily paid solely on a cash commission basis.	Optional with employer, except to the extent employee's supplemental wages during the year exceed \$1,000,000.	Taxable	Taxable
Non	profit organizations.	See Publication 15-A.		
Officers or shareholders of an S Corporation. Distributions and other payments by an S corporation to a corporate officer or shareholder must be treated as wages to the extent the amounts are reasonable compensation for services to the corporation by an employee. See the Instructions for Form 1120S.		Withhold	Taxable	Taxable
Partners: Payments to general or limited partners of a partnership. See Publication 541, Partnerships, for partner reporting rules.		Exempt	Exempt	Exempt
Railroads: Payments subject to the Railroad Retirement Act. See Publication 915, Social Security and Equivalent Railroad Retirement Benefits, for more details.		Withhold	Exempt	Exempt
Religious exemptions.		See Publication 15-A and Publication 517, Social Security and Other Information for Members of the Clergy and Religious Workers.		
Reti	rement and pension plans:			
1.	Employer contributions to a qualified plan.	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt
2.	Elective employee contributions and deferrals to a plan containing a qualified cash or deferred compensation arrangement (for example, 401(k)).	Generally exempt, but see section 402(g) for limitation.	Taxable	Taxable
3.	Employer contributions to individual retirement accounts under simplified employee pension plan (SEP).	Generally exempt, but seesection 402(g) for salary reduction SEP limitation.	Exempt, except for amounts contributed under a salary reduction SEP agreement.	
4.	Employer contributions to section 403(b) annuities.	Generally exempt, but see section 402(g) for limitation.	Taxable if paid through a sal (written or otherwise).	ary reduction agreement
5.	Employee salary reduction contributions to a SIMPLE retirement account.	Exempt	Taxable	Taxable
6.	Distributions from qualified retirement and pension plans and section 403(b) annuities. See Publication 15-A for information on pensions, annuities, and employer contributions to nonqualified deferred compensation arrangements.	Withhold, but recipient may elect exemption on Form W-4P in certain cases; mandatory 20% withholding applies to an eligible rollover distribution that is not a direct rollover; exempt for direct rollover. See Publication 15-A.	Exempt	Exempt
Salespersons:				
1. 2.	Common law employees. Statutory employees.	Withhold Exempt	Taxable Taxable	Taxable Taxable, except for full-time life insurance sales agents.
3.	Statutory nonemployees (qualified real estate agents, direct sellers, and certain companion sitters). See Publication 15-A for details.	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt
Scholarships and fellowship grants: (includible in income under section 117(c)).		Withhold	Taxability depends on the nature of the employment and the status of the organization. See <i>Students, scholars, trainees, teachers, etc.</i> on next page.	
Severance or dismissal pay.		Withhold	Taxable	Taxable

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		Income Tax Withholding	Social Security and Medicare	Federal Unemployment
trade oper	rice not in the course of the employer's e or business, other than on a farm ated for profit or for household loyment in private homes.	Withhold only if employee earns \$50 or more in cash in a quarter and works on 24 or more different days in that quarter or in the preceding quarter.	Taxable if employee receives \$100 or more in cash in a calendar year.	Taxable only if employee earns \$50 or more in cash in a quarter and works on 24 or more different days in that quarter or in the preceding quarter.
Sick See	pay. Publication 15-A for more information.	Withhold	Exempt after end of 6 calendar months after the calendar month employee last worked for employer.	
Studetc.:	lents, scholars, trainees, teachers,			
1.	Student enrolled and regularly attending classes, performing services for:			
	a. Private school, college, or university.	Withhold	Exempt	Exempt
	 Auxiliary nonprofit organization operated for and controlled by school, college, or university. 	Withhold	Exempt unless services are covered by a section 218 (Social Security Act) agreement.	Exempt
	 c. Public school, college, or university. 	Withhold	Exempt unless services are covered by a section 218 (Social Security Act) agreement.	Exempt
2.	Full-time student performing service for academic credit, combining instruction with work experience as an integral part of the program.	Withhold	Taxable	Exempt unless program was established for or on behalf of an employer or group of employers.
3.	Student nurse performing part-time services for nominal earnings at hospital as incidental part of training.	Withhold	Exempt	Exempt
4. 5.	Student employed by organized camps. Student, scholar, trainee, teacher, etc., as nonimmigrant alien under section 101(a)(15)(F), (J), (M), or (Q) of Immigration and Nationality Act (that is, aliens holding F-1, J-1, M-1, or Q-1 visas).	Withhold withhold unless excepted by regulations.	Taxable Exempt Exempt if service is performed for purpose specified in section 101(a)(15)(F), (J), (M), or (Q) of Immigration and Nationality Act. However, these taxes may apply if the employee becomes a resident alien. See the special residency tests for exempt individuals in chapter 1 of Publication 519.	
	plemental unemployment pensation plan benefits.	Withhold	Exempt under certain conditions. See Publication 15-A.	
Tips		With bold	Tayahla	Toyoble for all time year and a
1.	If \$20 or more in a month.	Withhold	Taxable	Taxable for all tips reported in writing to employer.
2.	If less than \$20 in a month. See section 6 for more information.	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt
Worker's compensation.		Exempt	Exempt	Exempt

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16. How To Use the Income Tax Withholding and Advance Earned Income Credit (EIC) Payment Tables

Income Tax Withholding

There are several ways to figure income tax withholding. The following methods of withholding are based on the information you get from your employees on Form W-4. See section 9 for more information on Form W-4.



Adjustments are not required when there will be more than the usual number of pay periods, for example, 27 biweekly pay dates instead of 26.

Wage Bracket Method

Under the wage bracket method, find the proper table (on pages 41-60) for your payroll period and the employee's marital status as shown on his or her Form W-4. Then, based on the number of withholding allowances claimed on the Form W-4 and the amount of wages, find the amount of federal tax to withhold. If your employee is claiming more than 10 withholding allowances, see below.

If you cannot use the wage bracket tables because wages exceed the amount shown in the last bracket of the table, use the percentage method of withholding described below. Be sure to reduce wages by the amount of total withholding allowances in Table 5 on this page before using the percentage method tables (pages 39-40).

Adjusting wage bracket withholding for employees claiming more than 10 withholding allowances. The wage bracket tables can be used if an employee claims up to 10 allowances. More than 10 allowances may be claimed because of the special withholding allowance, additional allowances for deductions and credits, and the system itself.

Adapt the tables to more than 10 allowances as follows:

- Multiply the number of withholding allowances over 10 by the allowance value for the payroll period. The allowance values are in Table 5, Percentage Method—2010 Amount for One Withholding Allowance, later.
- 2. Subtract the result from the employee's wages.
- On this amount, find and withhold the tax in the column for 10 allowances.

This is a voluntary method. If you use the wage bracket tables, you may continue to withhold the amount in the "10" column when your employee has more than 10 allowances, using the method above. You can also use any other method described below.

Percentage Method

If you do not want to use the wage bracket tables on pages 41-60 to figure how much income tax to withhold, you can use a percentage computation based on Table 5 below and the appropriate rate table. This method works for any number of withholding allowances the employee claims and any amount of wages.

Use these steps to figure the income tax to withhold under the percentage method.

- Multiply one withholding allowance for your payroll period (see Table 5 below) by the number of allowances the employee claims.
- Subtract that amount from the employee's wages.
- 3. Determine the amount to withhold from the appropriate table on page 39 or 40.

Table 5. Percentage Method—2010 Amount for One Withholding Allowance (unchanged from 2009)

Payroll Period	One Withholding Allowance
Weekly	\$ 70.19
Biweekly	140.38
Semimonthly	152.08
Monthly	304.17
Quarterly	912.50
Semiannually	1,825.00
Annually	3,650.00
Daily or miscellaneous (each day of the payroll period)	14.04

Example. An unmarried employee is paid \$600 weekly. This employee has in effect a Form W-4 claiming two withholding allowances. Using the percentage method, figure the income tax to withhold as follows:

2.	Total wage payment One allowance	\$70.19	\$600.00
3.	Allowances claimed on Form W-4	2	
4.	Multiply line 2 by line 3		\$140.38
5	Amount subject to withholding		\$459.62
	(subtract line 4 from line 1)		
6.	Tax to be withheld on \$459.62 from		\$ 47.34
	Table 1—single person, page 39		

To figure the income tax to withhold, you may reduce the last digit of the wages to zero, or figure the wages to the nearest dollar.

Annual income tax withholding. Figure the income tax to withhold on annual wages under the *Percentage Method* for an annual payroll period. Then prorate the tax back to the payroll period.

Example. A married person claims four withholding allowances. She is paid \$1,000 a week. Multiply the weekly wages by 52 weeks to figure the annual wage of \$52,000. Subtract \$14,600 (the value of four withholding allowances for 2010) for a balance of \$37,400. Using the table for the annual payroll period on page 40, \$3,010 is withheld. Divide the annual tax by 52. The weekly income tax to withhold is \$57.88.

Alternative Methods of Income Tax Withholding

Rather than the *Wage Bracket Method* or *Percentage Method* described above, you can use an alternative method to withhold income tax. Publication 15-A describes these alternative methods and contains:

- Formula tables for percentage method withholding (for automated payroll systems),
- Wage bracket percentage method tables (for automated payroll systems), and
- Combined income, social security, and Medicare tax withholding tables.

Some of the alternative methods explained in Publication 15-A are annualized wages, average estimated wages, cumulative wages, and part-year employment.

Advance Payment Methods for the Earned Income Credit (EIC)

To figure the advance EIC payment, you may use either the *Wage Bracket Method* or the *Percentage Method* as explained below. You may use other methods for figuring advance EIC payments if the amount of the payment is about the same as it would be using tables in this booklet. See the tolerances allowed in the chart in section 9 of Publication 15-A. See also section 10 in this booklet for an explanation of the advance payment of the EIC.

The number of withholding allowances an employee claims on Form W-4 is not used in figuring the advance EIC payment. Nor does it matter the employee has claimed exemption from income tax withholding on Form W-4.

Wage Bracket Method

If you use the wage bracket tables on pages 63-69, figure the advance EIC payment as follows.

Find the employee's gross wages before any deductions using the appropriate table. There are different tables for (a) single or head of household, (b) married without spouse filing certificate, and (c) married with both spouses filing certificates. Determine the amount of the advance EIC payment shown in the appropriate table for the amount of wages paid.

Percentage Method

If you do not want to use the wage bracket tables to figure how much to include in an employee's wages for the advance EIC payment, you can use the percentage method based on the appropriate rate table on pages 61 and 62.

Find the employee's gross wages before any deductions in the appropriate table on pages 61 and 62. There are different tables for (a) single or head of household, (b) married without spouse filing certificate, and (c) married with both spouses filing certificates. Find the advance EIC payment shown in the appropriate table for the amount of wages paid.

Additional Withholding for Pensions

The tables on page 71 explain how to calculate additional withholding amounts for pension payments. The withholding amounts may be added to the amount of withholding

determined from the percentage method, the wage bracket method, or any other allowable method. The percentage method, the wage bracket method, or other allowable method when combined with this procedure constitutes an allowable alternative withholding method for pensions and annuities.

This procedure is optional for those making pension payments subject to withholding under section 3405 of the Internal Revenue Code. The procedure is an approximate offset for the withholding reduction from the withholding tables on pages 41-60, which reflect the Making Work Pay credit. Eligibility for the credit requires earned income, which does not include pension payments.

Pension payors are not required to use this procedure but may instead continue to use **only** the withholding tables to determine the amount of withholding.

The procedure is shown on page 71 for Monthly, Semimonthly, Biweekly, and Weekly pension payments.

If pension payors decide to use this optional procedure, they should begin using it as of January 1, 2010.

Note. If a pension payee submitted a request for additional withholding on line 3 of Form W-4P, Withholding Certificate for Pension or Annuity Payments, pension payors using this optional procedure may want to contact the payee to determine if the additional withholding requested on line 3 is still desired or whether the payee wants to submit a new Form W-4P.

Whole-Dollar Withholding and Paying Advance EIC (Rounding)

The income tax withholding amounts in the Wage Bracket Tables (pages 41-60) have been rounded to whole-dollar amounts.

When employers use the Percentage Method (pages 39-40) or an alternative method of income tax withholding, the tax for the pay period may be rounded to the nearest dollar.

The Wage Bracket Tables for advance EIC payments (pages 63-69) have also been rounded to whole-dollar amounts. If you use the Tables for Percentage Method of Advance EIC Payments (pages 61-62), the payments may be rounded to the nearest dollar.

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Tables for Percentage Method of Withholding (For Wages Paid in 2010)

TABLE 1—WEEKLY Payroll Period

(a) SINGLE pers	son (including head	of household) —		(b) MARRIED p			
		The amount of income to withhold is:	e tax	subtracting withl allowances) is:		The amount of incortax to withhold is:	ne
Not over \$116 .		.\$0		Not over \$264		. \$0	
Over—	But not over —		of excess over-	Over—	But not over—		of excess over-
\$116	— \$200	.10%	—\$116	\$264	— \$471	. 10%	—\$264
\$200	—\$693	.\$8.40 plus 15%	—\$200	\$471	— \$1,457	. \$20.70 plus 15%	—\$471
\$693	— \$1,302	.\$82.35 plus 25%	—\$693	\$1,457	— \$1,809 . .	. \$168.60 plus 25%	—\$1,457
\$1,302	— \$1,624	.\$234.60 plus 27%	—\$1,302	\$1,809	— \$2,386	. \$256.60 plus 27%	— \$1,809
\$1,624	— \$1,687	.\$321.54 plus 30%	-\$1,624	\$2,386	— \$2,789 .	. \$412.39 plus 25%	—\$2,386
\$1,687	— \$3,344	.\$340.44 plus 28%	—\$1,687	\$2,789	— \$4,173	. \$513.14 plus 28%	-\$2,789
\$3,344	— \$7,225	.\$804.40 plus 33%	-\$3,344	\$4,173	— \$7,335	. \$900.66 plus 33%	— \$4,173
\$7,225		.\$2,085.13 plus 35%	—\$7,225	\$7,335		. \$1,944.12 plus 35%	—\$7,335

TABLE 2—BIWEEKLY Payroll Period

(a) SINGLE p	erson (including head of household)—		(b) MARRIEI	O person—		
If the amount subtracting wi allowances) is		me tax	If the amount subtracting w allowances) i		The amount of income tax to withhold is:	ne
Not over \$233	\$		Not over \$52	9	\$0	
Over—	But not over—	of excess over-	Over—	But not over—		of excess over-
\$233	— \$40110%	—\$233	\$529	—\$942	10%	—\$529
\$401	—\$1,387\$16.80 plus 15%	—\$401	\$942	— \$2,913	\$41.30 plus 15%	—\$942
\$1,387	—\$2,604 \$164.70 plus 25%	—\$1,387	\$2,913	—\$3,617	\$336.95 plus 25%	—\$2,913
\$2,604	—\$3,248\$468.95 plus 27%	—\$2,604	\$3,617	—\$4,771	\$512.95 plus 27%	—\$3,617
\$3,248	—\$3,373\$642.83 plus 30%	—\$3,248	\$4,771	— \$5,579	\$824.53 plus 25%	—\$4,771
\$3,373	—\$6,688\$680.33 plus 28%	—\$3,373	\$5,579	—\$8,346	\$1,026.53 plus 28%	—\$5,579
\$6,688	—\$14,450 \$1,608.53 plus 33%		\$8,346		\$1,801.29 plus 33%	—\$8,346
\$14,450		—\$14,450	\$14,669		\$3,887.88 plus 35%	—\$14,669

TABLE 3—SEMIMONTHLY Payroll Period

(a) SINGLE perso	n (including he	ead of household)—		(b) MARRIED p	erson—		
If the amount of wasubtracting withho is:		es) The amount of incom to withhold is:	ne tax	If the amount of subtracting with allowances) is:	holďing `	The amount of incontax to withhold is:	ne
Not over \$252		\$0		Not over \$573		\$0	
Over—	But not ove	er—	of excess over-	Over—	But not over—		of excess over-
\$252	-\$434	10%	—\$252	\$573	— \$1,021	10%	—\$573
\$434	— \$1,502	\$18.20 plus 15%	—\$434	\$1,021	—\$3,156	\$44.80 plus 15%	—\$1,021
\$1,502	—\$2,821	\$178.40 plus 25%	—\$1,502	\$3,156	— \$3,919	\$365.05 plus 25%	—\$3,156
\$2,821	—\$3,519	\$508.15 plus 27%	—\$2,821	\$3,919	—\$5,169 . .	\$555.80 plus 27%	—\$3,919
\$3,519	—\$3,654	\$696.61 plus 30%	—\$3,519	\$5,169	— \$6,044	\$893.30 plus 25%	—\$5,169
\$3,654	— \$7,246	\$737.11 plus 28%	—\$3,654	\$6,044	— \$9,042	\$1,112.05 plus 28%	—\$6,044
\$7,246	— \$15,654	\$1,742.87 plus 33%	—\$7,246	\$9,042	— \$15,892	\$1,951.49 plus 33%	-\$9,042
\$15,654		\$4,517.51 plus 35%	—\$15,654	\$15,892		\$4,211.99 plus 35%	—\$15,892

TABLE 4—MONTHLY Payroll Period

(a) SINGLE pers	on (including head	of household) —		(b) MARRIED	person-		
If the amount of v	wages (after olding allowances)	The amount of incom	o tav	If the amount of subtracting with	of wages (after	The amount of incom	10
is:	olding allowances)	to withhold is:	e lax	allowances) is		tax to withhold is:	
Not over \$504 .		.\$0		Not over \$1,14	46	. \$0	
Over—	But not over —	•	of excess over-	Over—	But not over—		of excess over-
\$504	— \$869	.10%	—\$504	\$1,146	— \$2,042	. 10%	—\$1,146
\$869	— \$3,004	.\$36.50 plus 15%	—\$869	\$2,042	—\$6,313	\$89.60 plus 15%	—\$2,042
\$3,004	— \$5,642	.\$356.75 plus 25%	—\$3,004	\$6,313	— \$7,838	\$730.25 plus 25%	—\$6,313
\$5,642	— \$7,038	.\$1,016.25 plus 27%	—\$5,642	\$7,838	— \$10,338	\$1,111.50 plus 27%	—\$7,838
\$7,038	— \$7,308	.\$1,393.17 plus 30%	—\$7,038	\$10,338	— \$12,088	\$1,786.50 plus 25%	-\$10,338
\$7,308	— \$14,492	.\$1,474.17 plus 28%	-\$7,308	\$12,088	— \$18,083	\$2,224.00 plus 28%	-\$12,088
\$14,492	— \$31,308	.\$3,485.69 plus 33%	—\$14,492	\$18,083	— \$31,783	\$3,902.60 plus 33%	-\$18,083
\$31.308		\$9.034.97 plus 35%	-\$31,308	\$31,783		\$8,423,60 plus 35%	—\$31.783

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TABLE 5—QUARTERLY Payroll Period

If the amount of subtracting withh is:	nolding allowances) The amount of incom to withhold is:	ne tax	(b) MARRIED p If the amount of subtracting with allowances) is:	wages (after nolding The amore tax to with	unt of income nhold is:
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	But not over—	of excess over—		But not over—	of excess over—
\$1,513	—\$2,606 10%	—\$1,513	\$3,438	—\$6,125 . . 10%	—\$3,438
\$2,606	—\$9,013\$109.30 plus 15%	—\$2,606	\$6,125	—\$18,938 \$268.70 p	olus 15% —\$6,125
\$9,013	—\$16,925\$1,070.35 plus 25%	—\$9,013	\$18,938	—\$23,513 \$2,190.69	5 plus 25% —\$18,938
\$16.925	—\$21.113\$3.048.35 plus 27%	-\$16.925	\$23.513	-\$31.013 \$3.334.40) plus 27% — \$23.513
\$21,113	—\$21,925\$4,179.11 plus 30%	—\$21.113	\$31,013	—\$36,263 · · · \$5,359.40	plus 25% —\$31.013
\$21,925	—\$43,475\$4,422.71 plus 28%	—\$21.925	\$36,263	—\$54.250 · · · \$6.671.90	
\$43,475	—\$93,925\$10,456.71 plus 33%		\$54,250	—\$95,350 · · · \$11,708.2	
400,000			40-10-0		26 plus 35% —\$95,350
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TABLE 6—SEMIANNUAL Payroll Period

(a) SINGLE per	son (including head of household)—		(b) MARRIED p	person—		
If the amount of subtracting with is:	wages (after nolding allowances) The amount of incom to withhold is:	ne tax	If the amount of subtracting with allowances) is:	holding `	The amount of income tax to withhold is:	
Not over \$3,025			Not over \$6,875	5	\$0	
Over—	But not over—	of excess over-	Over—	But not over—	of	excess over-
\$3,025	— \$5,21310%	—\$3,025	\$6,875	— \$12,250	10%	— \$6,875
\$5,213	—\$18,025\$218.80 plus 15%	—\$5,213	\$12,250		\$537.50 plus 15%	— \$12,250
\$18,025	—\$33,850\$2,140.60 plus 25%	—\$18,025	\$37,875	—\$47,025 . .	\$4,381.25 plus 25%	—\$37,875
\$33,850	—\$42,225\$6,096.85 plus 27%	—\$33,850	\$47,025		\$6,668.75 plus 27%	— \$47,025
\$42,225	—\$43,850\$8,358.10 plus 30%	— \$42,225	\$62,025		\$10,718.75 plus 25%	— \$62,025
\$43,850	—\$86,950\$8,845.60 plus 28%	— \$43,850	\$72,525		\$13,343.75 plus 28%	— \$72,525
\$86,950	—\$187,850\$20,913.60 plus 33%		\$108,500		\$23,416.75 plus 33%	— \$108,500
\$187,850		—\$187,850	\$190,700		\$50,542.75 plus 35%	—\$190,700

TABLE 7—ANNUAL Payroll Period

(a) SINGLE pers	son (including head of household)—		(b) MARRIED	person—		
If the amount of subtracting withh is:	wages (after lolding allowances) The amount of inco to withhold is:	me tax	If the amount o subtracting with allowances) is:	nholding ` T	the amount of income ax to withhold is:	
Not over \$6,050			Not over \$13,7	50 \$	0	
Over—	But not over—	of excess over —	Over—	But not over—	of excess over	er—
\$6,050	— \$10,42510%	—\$6,050	\$13,750	—\$24,500 · · · · 1	0% —\$13	,750
\$10,425	—\$36,050\$437.50 plus 15%	—\$10,425	\$24,500	—\$75,750 \$	1,075.00 plus 15% —\$24	,500
\$36,050	—\$67,700\$4,281.25 plus 25%		\$75,750		8,762.50 plus 25% — \$75	
\$67,700	—\$84,450\$12,193.75 plus 27		\$94,050		13,337.50 plus 27% — \$94	,050
\$84,450	—\$87,700\$16,716.25 plus 30	% —\$84,450	\$124,050	—\$145,050 \$	21,437.50 plus 25% —\$124	,050
\$87,700	—\$173,900\$17,691.25 plus 28	% —\$87,700	\$145,050	—\$217,000 . . \$	26,687.50 plus 28% —\$145	,050
\$173,900	—\$375,700\$41,827.25 plus 33	% —\$173,900	\$217,000	—\$381,400 \$	46,833.50 plus 33% —\$217	,000
\$375,700		5% —\$375,700	\$381,400		101,085.50 plus 35% —\$381	,400

TABLE 8—DAILY or MISCELLANEOUS Payroll Period

If the amount of subtracting with divided by the n payroll period is	holding allowances) umber of days in the The amount of i		divided by the payroll period i	· f wages (after hholding allowances) number of days in the	ount of income ithhold per day is:
Over—	But not over—	of excess over—	Over—	But not over—	of excess over—
\$23.30	— \$40.1010%	—\$23.30	\$52.90	—\$94.20 · · · · 10%	—\$52.90
\$40.10	—\$138.70\$1.68 plus 15%	—\$40.10	\$94.20	—\$291.30 \$4.13 plu	ıs 15% — \$94.20
\$138.70	—\$260.40\$16.47 plus 25%	—\$138.70	\$291.30	—\$361.70 \$33.70 p	lus 25% —\$291.30
\$260.40	—\$324.80\$46.90 plus 27%	—\$260.40	\$361.70	—\$477.10 \$51.30 p	lus 27% —\$361.70
\$324.80	—\$337.30\$64.29 plus 30%	—\$324.80	\$477.10	—\$557.90 \$82.46 p	lus 25% —\$477.10
\$337.30	—\$668.80\$68.04 plus 28%	—\$337.30	\$557.90	—\$834.60 · · · \$102.66	plus 28% —\$557.90
\$668.80	—\$1,445.00\$160.86 plus 339	6 —\$668.80	\$834.60	— \$1,466.90 \$180.14	plus 33% — \$834.60
\$1,445.00		6 —\$1,445.00	\$1,466.90	\$388.80	plus 35% —\$1,466.90

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SINGLE Persons—WEEKLY Payroll Period

(For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

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At least	But less	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	than				The	e amount of i	ncome tax to	be withheld is	;—			
\$880	\$890	\$130	\$113	\$95	\$80	\$69	\$58	\$48	\$37	\$27	\$16	\$7
890	900	133	115	98	81	70	60	49	39	28	18	8
900	910	135	118	100	83	72	61	51	40	30	19	9
910	920	138	120	103	85	73	63	52	42	31	21	10
920	930	140	123	105	88	75	64	54	43	33	22	12
930	940	143	125	108	90	76	66	55	45	34	24	13
940	950	145	128	110	93	78	67	57	46	36	25	15
950	960	148	130	113	95	79	69	58	48	37	27	16
960	970	150	133	115	98	81	70	60	49	39	28	18
970	980	153	135	118	100	83	72	61	51	40	30	19
980	990	155	138	120	103	85	73	63	52	42	31	21
990	1000	158	140	123	105	88	75	64	54	43	33	22
1000	1010	160	143	125	108	90	76	66	55	45	34	24
1010	1020	163	145	128	110	93	78	67	57	46	36	25
1020	1030	165	148	130	113	95	79	69	58	48	37	27
1030	1040	168	150	133	115	98	81	70	60	49	39	28
1040	1050	170	153	135	118	100	83	72	61	51	40	30
1050	1060	173	155	138	120	103	85	73	63	52	42	31
1060	1070	175	158	140	123	105	88	75	64	54	43	33
1070	1080	178	160	143	125	108	90	76	66	55	45	34
1080	1090	180	163	145	128	110	93	78	67	57	46	36
1090	1100	183	165	148	130	113	95	79	69	58	48	37
1100	1110	185	168	150	133	115	98	81	70	60	49	39
1110	1120	188	170	153	135	118	100	82	72	61	51	40
1120	1130	190	173	155	138	120	103	85	73	63	52	42
1130	1140	193	175	158	140	123	105	87	75	64	54	43
1140	1150	195	178	160	143	125	108	90	76	66	55	45
1150	1160	198	180	163	145	128	110	92	78	67	57	46
1160	1170	200	183	165	148	130	113	95	79	69	58	48
1170	1180	203	185	168	150	133	115	97	81	70	60	49
1180	1190	205	188	170	153	135	118	100	82	72	61	51
1190	1200	208	190	173	155	138	120	102	85	73	63	52
1200	1210	210	193	175	158	140	123	105	87	75	64	54
1210	1220	213	195	178	160	143	125	107	90	76	66	55
1220	1230	215	198	180	163	145	128	110	92	78	67	57
1230	1240	218	200	183	165	148	130	112	95	79	69	58
1240	1250	220	203	185	168	150	133	115	97	81	70	60
\$1250 and o	ver			Use Table	1(a) for a SIN	IGLE person	on page 39.	Also see the	instructions o	n page 37.		

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MARRIED Persons—**WEEKLY** Payroll Period (For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

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MARRIED Persons—WEEKLY Payroll Period

(For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

And the w	ages are-				And the	number of wi	thholding allo	wances clain	ned is—			
At least	But less than	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	ulali				The	e amount of in	ncome tax to	be withheld is	;—			
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\$1400 and over

Use Table 1(b) for a **MARRIED person** on page 39. Also see the instructions on page 37.

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At least But less Description The amount of income tax to be withheld is —	And the w	ages are-						thholding allo		ned is—			
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SINGLE Persons—BIWEEKLY Payroll Period

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And the w	ages are-				And the	number of wi	thholding allo	wances claim	ned is—			
At least	But less than	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	шап				The	amount of ir	ncome tax to	be withheld is				
\$1640	\$1660	\$231	\$195	\$162	\$141	\$120	\$99	\$78	\$57	\$36	\$15	\$1
1660	1680	236	200	165	144	123	102	81	60	39	18	3
1680	1700	241	205	170	147	126	105	84	63	42	21	5
1700	1720	246	210	175	150	129	108	87	66	45	24	7
1720	1740	251	215	180	153	132	111	90	69	48	27	9
1740	1760	256	220	185	156	135	114	93	72	51	30	11
1760	1780	261	225	190	159	138	117	96	75	54	33	13
1780	1800	266	230	195	162	141	120	99	78	57	36	15
1800	1820	271	235	200	165	144	123	102	81	60	39	18
1820	1840	276	240	205	170	147	126	105	84	63	42	21
1840	1860	281	245	210	175	150	129	108	87	66	45	24
1860	1880	286	250	215	180	153	132	111	90	69	48	27
1880	1900	291	255	220	185	156	135	114	93	72	51	30
1900	1920	296	260	225	190	159	138	117	96	75	54	33
1920	1940	301	265	230	195	162	141	120	99	78	57	36
1940	1960	306	270	235	200	165	144	123	102	81	60	39
1960	1980	311	275	240	205	170	147	126	105	84	63	42
1980	2000	316	280	245	210	175	150	129	108	87	66	45
2000	2020	321	285	250	215	180	153	132	111	90	69	48
2020	2040	326	290	255	220	185	156	135	114	93	72	51
2040	2060	331	295	260	225	190	159	138	117	96	75	54
2060	2080	336	300	265	230	195	162	141	120	99	78	57
2080	2100	341	305	270	235	200	165	144	123	102	81	60

\$2100 and over

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MARRIED Persons—BIWEEKLY Payroll Period

(For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

And the w	ages are-				And the	number of w	ithholding allo	owances clain	ned is—			
At least	But less than	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	ulali				Th	e amount of in	ncome tax to	be withheld is	s—			
\$2220	\$2240	\$235	\$213	\$192	\$171	\$150	\$129	\$108	\$87	\$66	\$45	\$30
2240	2260	238	216	195	174	153	132	111	90	69	48	32
2260	2280	241	219	198	177	156	135	114	93	72	51	34
2280	2300	244	222	201	180	159	138	117	96	75	54	36
2300	2320	247	225	204	183	162	141	120	99	78	57	38
2320	2340	250	228	207	186	165	144	123	102	81	60	40
2340	2360	253	231	210	189	168	147	126	105	84	63	42
2360	2380	256	234	213	192	171	150	129	108	87	66	45
2380	2400	259	237	216	195	174	153	132	111	90	69	48
2400	2420	262	240	219	198	177	156	135	114	93	72	51
2420	2440	265	243	222	201	180	159	138	117	96	75	54
2440	2460	268	246	225	204	183	162	141	120	99	78	57
2460	2480	271	249	228	207	186	165	144	123	102	81	60
2480	2500	274	252	231	210	189	168	147	126	105	84	63
2500	2520	277	255	234	213	192	171	150	129	108	87	66
2520	2540	280	258	237	216	195	174	153	132	111	90	69
2540	2560	283	261	240	219	198	177	156	135	114	93	72
2560	2580	286	264	243	222	201	180	159	138	117	96	75
2580	2600	289	267	246	225	204	183	162	141	120	99	78
2600	2620	292	270	249	228	207	186	165	144	123	102	81
2620	2640	295	273	252	231	210	189	168	147	126	105	84
2640	2660	298	276	255	234	213	192	171	150	129	108	87
2660	2680	301	279	258	237	216	195	174	153	132	111	90
2680	2700	304	282	261	240	219	198	177	156	135	114	93

\$2700 and over

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At least But less than		And the number of withholding allowances claimed is—	
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260	than		
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SINGLE Persons—SEMIMONTHLY Payroll Period

(For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

And the w	ages are-				And the	number of wi	thholding allo	wances clain	ned is—			
At least	But less than	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	unan				The	e amount of ir	ncome tax to	be withheld is	<u> </u>			
\$1700 1720 1740 1760 1780 1800 1820	\$1720 1740 1760 1780 1800 1820 1840	\$230 235 240 245 250 255	\$192 197 202 207 212 217	\$164 167 170 173 176 179	\$141 144 147 150 153 156	\$118 121 124 127 130 133	\$96 99 102 105 108 111	\$73 76 79 82 85	\$50 53 56 59 62 65 68	\$27 30 33 36 39 42	\$9 11 13 15 17	\$0 0 0 0 2 4
1840 1860 1880	1840 1860 1880 1900	260 265 270 275	222 227 232 237	184 189 194 199	159 162 165 168	136 139 142 145	114 117 120 123	91 94 97 100	71 74 77	45 48 51 54	22 25 28 31	6 8 10 12
1900 1920 1940 1960 1980	1920 1940 1960 1980 2000	280 285 290 295 300	242 247 252 257 262	204 209 214 219 224	171 174 177 181 186	148 151 154 157 160	126 129 132 135 138	103 106 109 112 115	80 83 86 89 92	57 60 63 66 69	34 37 40 43 46	14 16 18 20 23
2000 2020 2040 2060 2080	2020 2040 2060 2080 2100	305 310 315 320 325	267 272 277 282 287	229 234 239 244 249	191 196 201 206 211	163 166 169 172 175	141 144 147 150 153	118 121 124 127 130	95 98 101 104 107	72 75 78 81 84	49 52 55 58 61	26 29 32 35 38
2100 2120	2120 2140	330 335	292 297	254 259	216 221	178 183	156 159	133 136	110 113	87 90	64 67	41 44

\$2140 and over

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And the wa	ages are-				And the	number of w	thholding allo	wances clain	ned is—			
At least	But less	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	than		L		The	e amount of i	ncome tax to	be withheld is	s—	l	L	<u> </u>
\$0 580 600 620 640 660 680 720 740 760 780 800 820 840 860 880 900 920 940 960 980 1000 1020 1040 1160 1180 1120 1140 1160 1180 1200 1240 1260 1280 1340 1360 1380 1340 1360 1380 1400 1420 1440 1460 1480 1550 1540 1560 1660 1680 1700 1720 1740 1760 1780 1800 1820 1840	But less than \$580 600 620 640 660 680 700 740 760 780 800 820 840 860 880 900 920 940 960 1020 1040 1060 1180 1100 1120 1140 1160 1180 1120 1240 1260 1280 1300 1320 1340 1360 1380 1400 1420 1440 1460 1480 1500 1520 1540 1560 1580 1600 1680 1700 1720 1740 1760 1780 1880 1800 1820 1840 1860 1880 1900 1920 1940	\$0 2 4 6 8 10 112 114 116 118 20 224 246 248 30 32 336 338 40 444 449 45 45 55 56 64 67 77 76 77 82 85 88 89 119 119 119 119 119 119 119 119 1	\$0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	\$0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	3 The \$0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	4 e amount of it \$0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	5 Some tax to \$0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	6 be withheld is \$0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	7 5— \$0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	\$00000 00000 00000 00000 00000 00000 0000	\$0000 00000 00000 00000 00000 00000 00000	\$0
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MARRIED Persons—SEMIMONTHLY Payroll Period

(For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

And the w	ages are-				And the	number of wi	thholding allo	wances clain	ned is—			
At least	But less than	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	lliali				The	amount of ir	ncome tax to	be withheld is				
\$2260	\$2280	\$232	\$209	\$187	\$164	\$141	\$118	\$95	\$72	\$50	\$33	\$18
2280	2300	235	212	190	167	144	121	98	75	53	35	20
2300	2320	238	215	193	170	147	124	101	78	56	37	22
2320	2340	241	218	196	173	150	127	104	81	59	39	24
2340	2360	244	221	199	176	153	130	107	84	62	41	26
2360	2380	247	224	202	179	156	133	110	87	65	43	28
2380	2400	250	227	205	182	159	136	113	90	68	45	30
2400	2420	253	230	208	185	162	139	116	93	71	48	32
2420	2440	256	233	211	188	165	142	119	96	74	51	34
2440	2460	259	236	214	191	168	145	122	99	77	54	36
2460	2480	262	239	217	194	171	148	125	102	80	57	38
2480	2500	265	242	220	197	174	151	128	105	83	60	40
2500	2520	268	245	223	200	177	154	131	108	86	63	42
2520	2540	271	248	226	203	180	157	134	111	89	66	44
2540	2560	274	251	229	206	183	160	137	114	92	69	46
2560	2580	277	254	232	209	186	163	140	117	95	72	49
2580	2600	280	257	235	212	189	166	143	120	98	75	52
2600	2620	283	260	238	215	192	169	146	123	101	78	55
2620	2640	286	263	241	218	195	172	149	126	104	81	58
2640	2660	289	266	244	221	198	175	152	129	107	84	61
2660	2680	292	269	247	224	201	178	155	132	110	87	64
2680	2700	295	272	250	227	204	181	158	135	113	90	67
2700	2720	298	275	253	230	207	184	161	138	116	93	70
2720	2740	301	278	256	233	210	187	164	141	119	96	73

\$2740 and over

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And the wa	ages are-			(. 0. 11			thholding allo		ned is—			
At least	But less	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	than					e amount of ir	ncome tax to					
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2880 2920 2960 3000 3040 3120 3160 3200 3240 3380 3340 3440 3480 3520 3560 3600 3640 3680 3720	2920	341	296	250	204	159	113	67	27	0	0	0

SINGLE Persons—MONTHLY Payroll Period

(For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

And the wa	ages are-				And the	number of w	thholding allo	wances clain	ned is—			
At least	But less than	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	lliali				The	e amount of i	ncome tax to	be withheld is	s—			
\$3760 3800 3840 3840 3920 3960 4000 4080 4120 4160 4240 4280 4320 4360 4440 4440 4480 4520 4560 4600 4640 4680 4720	\$3800 3840 3880 3920 3960 4000 4040 4080 4120 4160 4220 4280 4320 4360 4440 4480 4520 4560 4600 4640 4680 4720 4760	\$551 561 571 581 591 601 611 621 631 641 651 661 671 681 691 701 711 721 731 741 751 761 771 781	\$475 485 495 505 515 525 535 545 555 565 575 585 6015 625 635 645 665 675 685 695 705 715	\$399 409 419 429 439 449 459 469 479 489 509 519 529 539 549 559 569 579 589 609 619 629 639	\$336 342 348 354 363 373 383 393 403 413 423 433 443 453 463 473 483 493 503 513 523 533 543 553 563	\$291 297 303 309 315 321 327 333 339 345 351 357 367 377 387 407 417 427 427 437 447 457 467 477 487	\$245 251 257 263 269 275 281 287 299 305 311 317 323 329 335 341 347 353 361 371 381 391 401 411	\$199 205 211 217 223 229 235 241 247 253 259 265 271 277 283 289 295 301 307 313 319 325 331 337 343	\$154 160 166 172 178 184 190 196 202 208 214 220 226 232 238 244 250 256 262 262 268 274 280 286 292 298	\$108 114 120 126 132 138 144 150 156 162 168 174 180 186 192 198 204 210 222 228 234 240 246 252 252	\$63 69 75 81 87 93 99 105 111 117 123 129 135 141 147 153 159 165 171 177 183 189 195 201 207	\$23 27 31 35 41 47 53 59 65 71 77 83 89 95 101 107 113 119 125 131 143 149 155 161
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\$5080 and over

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And the w	ages are-	 											
At least	But less	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
	than		<u> </u>		The	e amount of ir	ncome tax to	be withheld is	<u> </u>	<u> </u>			
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MARRIED Persons—MONTHLY Payroll Period

(For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

And the wa	ages are-				And the	number of wi	thholding allo	wances clain	ned is—			
At least	But less than	0	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9									
	шап				The	e amount of ir	ncome tax to	be withheld is	s—			
\$4520	\$4560	\$464	\$419	\$373	\$327	\$282	\$236	\$191	\$145	\$99	\$66	\$35
4560	4600	470	425	379	333	288	242	197	151	105	70	39
4600	4640	476	431	385	339	294	248	203	157	111	74	43
4640	4680	482	437	391	345	300	254	209	163	117	78	47
4680	4720	488	443	397	351	306	260	215	169	123	82	51
4720	4760	494	449	403	357	312	266	221	175	129	86	55
4760	4800	500	455	409	363	318	272	227	181	135	90	59
4800	4840	506	461	415	369	324	278	233	187	141	96	63
4840	4880	512	467	421	375	330	284	239	193	147	102	67
4880	4920	518	473	427	381	336	290	245	199	153	108	71
4920	4960	524	479	433	387	342	296	251	205	159	114	75
4960	5000	530	485	439	393	348	302	257	211	165	120	79
5000	5040	536	491	445	399	354	308	263	217	171	126	83
5040	5080	542	497	451	405	360	314	269	223	177	132	87
5080	5120	548	503	457	411	366	320	275	229	183	138	92
5120	5160	554	509	463	417	372	326	281	235	189	144	98
5160	5200	560	515	469	423	378	332	287	241	195	150	104
5200	5240	566	521	475	429	384	338	293	247	201	156	110
5240	5280	572	527	481	435	390	344	299	253	207	162	116
5280	5320	578	533	487	441	396	350	305	259	213	168	122
5320	5360	584	539	493	447	402	356	311	265	219	174	128
5360	5400	590	545	499	453	408	362	317	271	225	180	134
5400	5440	596	551	505	459	414	368	323	277	231	186	140
5440	5480	602	557	511	465	420	374	329	283	237	192	146
5480	5520	608	563	517	471	426	380	335	289	243	198	152
5520	5560	614	569	523	477	432	386	341	295	249	204	158
5560	5600	620	575	529	483	438	392	347	301	255	210	164
5600	5640	626	581	535	489	444	398	353	307	261	216	170
5640	5680	632	587	541	495	450	404	359	313	267	222	176
5680	5720	638	593	547	501	456	410	365	319	273	228	182
5720	5760	644	599	553	507	462	416	371	325	279	234	188
5760	5800	650	605	559	513	468	422	377	331	285	240	194
5800	5840	656	611	565	519	474	428	383	337	291	246	200
5840	5880	662	617	571	525	480	434	389	343	297	252	200

\$5880 and over Use Table 4(b) for a MARRIED person on page 39. Also see the instructions on page 37.

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/ages are-				And the	number of wi	thholding allo	wances clain	ned is—			
But less	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
tnan	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u>'</u>	The	e amount of in	ncome tax to	be withheld is	s—			
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SINGLE Persons—DAILY Payroll Period

(For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

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	ulan				The	e amount of i	ncome tax to	be withheld is	-					
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315	318	62												
318	321	63												
321	324	64												
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327	330	65												
330	333	66												
333	336	67												
336	339	68												
339	341	69	65	61	57	53	49	46	42	39	35	32		
341	343	69	65	61	58	54	50	46	43	39	36	32		
343	345	70	66	62	58	54	51	47	43	40	36	33		
345	347	70	66	62	59	55	51	47	44	40	37	33		
347	349	71	67	63	59	55	52	48	44	41	37	34		
349	351	72	68	64	60	56	52	48	45	41	38	34		
351	353	72	68	64	60	56	53	49	45	42	38	35		
353	355	73	69	65	61	57	53	49	46	42	39	35		
355	357	73	69	65	61	58	54	50	46	43	39	36		
357	359	74	70	66	62	58	54	51	47	43	40	36		
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369	371	77	73	69	65	61	58	54	50	46	43	39		
371	373	78	74	70	66	62	58	54	51	47	43	40		
373	375	78	74	70	66	62	59	55	51	47	44	40		
375	377	79	75	71	67	63	59	55	52	48	44	41		
377	379	79	76	72	68	63	60	56	52	48	45	41		
379	381	80	81											
381	383	81												
383	385	81												
385	387	82												
387	389	82												
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\$391 and over Use Table 8(a) for a SINGLE person on page 40. Also see the instructions on page 37.

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MARRIED Persons—DAILY Payroll Period (For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

And the wa	ages are –	And the number of withholding allowances claimed is—										
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MARRIED Persons—DAILY Payroll Period

(For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

And the wa	the wages are— And the number of withholding allowances claimed is—												
At least	But less	0	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 1 The amount of income tax to be withheld is—										
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341	343	46											
343	345	47											
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351	353	49	45	42	38	35	32	30	28	26	24	22	
353	355	49	46	42	39	35	33	30	28	26	24	22	
355	357	50	46	43	39	36	33	31	29	27	24	22	
357	359	50	47	43	40	36	33	31	29	27	25	23	
359	361	51	47	44	40	37	33	31	29	27	25	23	
361	363	51	48	44	41	37	34	32	30	27	25	23	
363	365	52	48	45	41	38	34	32	30	28	26	24	
365	367	52	49	45	42	38	35	32	30	28	26	24	
367	369	53	49	46	42	39	35	33	30	28	26	24	
369	371	54	50	46	43	39	36	33	31	29	27	24	
371	373	54	50	47	43	40	36	33	31	29	27	25	
373	375	55	51	47	44	40	37	33	31	29	27	25	
375	377	55	51	48	44	41	37	34	32	30	27	25	
377	379	56	52	48	45	41	38	34	32	30	28	26	
379	381	56	52	49	45	42	38	35	32	30	28	26	
381	383	57	53	49	46	42	39	35	33	30	28	26	
383	385	57	54	50	46	43	39	36	33	31	29	27	
385	387	58	54	50	47	43	40	36	33	31	29	27	
387	389	58	55	51	47	44	40	37	33	31	29	27	
389	391	59	55	51	48	44	41	37	34	32	30	27	
391	393	59	56	52	48	45	41	38	34	32	30	28	
393	395	60	56	52	49	45	42	38	35	32	30	28	
395	397	61	57	53	49	46	42	39	35	33	30	28	
397	399	61	57	54	50	46	43	39	36	33	31	29	
399	401	62	58	54	50	47	43	40	36	33	31	29	

\$401 and over

Use Table 8(b) for a MARRIED person on page 40. Also see the instructions on page 37.

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Tables for Percentage Method of Advance EIC Payments (For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

TABLE 1—WEEKLY Payroll Period

					•			
	(a) SINGLE or HE HOUSEHOL	AD OF D	(b)	MARRIED Without Filing Certification		(c) N	MARRIED With Bo Filing Certific	th Spouses ate
(before ded	the amount of wages efore deducting ithholding allowances) is: The amount of payment to be made is:		(before de	unt of wages ducting g allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:	(before ded	unt of wages ducting g allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:
Over—	But not over—		Over—	But not over—		Over—	But not over—	
\$0	\$172	20.40% of wages	\$0	\$172	20.40% of wages	\$0	\$86	20.40% of wages
\$172	\$316	\$35	\$172	\$412		\$86	\$206	
\$316			\$412		\$35 less 9.588%	\$206		
		of wages in			of wages in			of wages in
		excess of \$316			excess of \$412			excess of \$206

TABLE 2—BIWEEKLY Payroll Period

	(a) SINGLE or HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD) MARRIED Witho Filing Certific	ut Spouse cate	(c) I	MARRIED With Bo Filing Certific	oth Spouses cate
(before de	the amount of wages before deducting ithholding allowances) is: The amount of payment to be made is:		(before de	unt of wages ducting g allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:	(before de	unt of wages ducting g allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:
Over— \$0 \$345 \$632	\$632	20.40% of wages \$70 \$70 less 9.588% of wages in excess of \$632	90 \$345 \$825	\$825	. 20.40% of wages . \$70 . \$70 less 9.588% of wages in excess of \$825	90 \$172 \$412	But not over — \$172	\$35

TABLE 3—SEMIMONTHLY Payroll Period

	(a) SINGLE or HE HOUSEHOL		(b)	MARRIED Withou	ut Spouse ate	(c) N	ARRIED With Bo Filing Certific	
(before dec	ne amount of wages The amount of payment to be made is:		(before ded	unt of wages ducting g allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:	(before ded	int of wages ducting g allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:
90 \$373 \$685	But not over— \$373	\$76	90 \$373 \$894	\$894	20.40% of wages \$76 \$76 less 9.588% of wages in excess of \$894	90 \$186 \$447	But not over — \$186	

TABLE 4—MONTHLY Payroll Period

	(a) SINGLE or HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD			MARRIED Without (Filing Certific	ut Spouse ate	(c) l	MARRIED With Bo Filing Certific	th Spouses ate
(before de	e amount of wages The amount of payment to be holding allowances) is: made is:				The amount of payment to be made is:	(before de	unt of wages ducting g allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:
Over— \$0 \$747 \$1,370	But not over — \$747	20.40% of wages \$152 \$152 less 9.588% of wages in excess of \$1,370	\$0 \$747 \$1,788	But not over — \$747	20.40% of wages \$152 \$152 less 9.588% of wages in excess of \$1,788	90 \$373 \$894	But not over — \$373 \$894	20.40% of wages \$76 \$76 less 9.588% of wages in excess of \$894

Tables for Percentage Method of Advance EIC Payments (continued)

(For Wages Paid in 2010)

TABLE 5—QUARTERLY Payroll Period

	(a) SINGLE or HE HOUSEHOL	AD OF D	(b)	MARRIED Witho Filing Certific	ut Spouse cate	(c) N	MARRIED With Bo Filing Certific	th Spouses ate
(before de	the amount of wages efore deducting thholding allowances) is: The amount of payment to be made is:		(before de	unt of wages ducting g allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:	(before dec	nt of wages lucting allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:
90 \$2,242 \$4,112	But not over— \$2,242	\$457	\$0 \$2,242 \$5,365	But not over — \$2,242 \$5,365	20.40% of wages \$457 \$457 less 9.588% of wages in excess of \$5,365	90 \$1,121 \$2,682	\$2,682	20.40% of wages \$229 \$229 less 9.588% of wages in excess of \$2,682

TABLE 6—SEMIANNUAL Payroll Period

	(a) SINGLE OF HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD			MARRIED Witho Filing Certific		(c) N	ARRIED With Bo Filing Certific	
(before de	amount of wages The amount of payment to be olding allowances) is:		(before de	unt of wages ducting g allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:	(before dec	Int of wages lucting allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:
Over— \$0	But not over— \$4,485	20.40% of wages	Over— \$0	But not over— \$4,485	20.40% of wages	Over— \$0	But not over— \$2,242	20.40% of wages
\$4,485 \$8,225	\$8,225		\$4,485 \$10,730	\$10,730	A	\$2,242 \$5,365	\$5,365	A
		in excess of			excess of \$10.730			excess of \$5,365

TABLE 7—ANNUAL Payroll Period

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(a) SINGLE or HE HOUSEHO	EAD OF LD	(b)) MARRIED Witho Filing Certifi		(c) l	MARRIED With Bo Filing Certific	oth Spouses cate
If the amount of wages (before deducting withholding allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:	(before de	unt of wages ducting g allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:	(before de	unt of wages ducting g allowances) is:	The amount of payment to be made is:
Over— But not over— \$0 \$8,970 \$8,970 \$16,450		\$0 \$8,970 \$21,460	But not over \$8,970 \$21,460		\$0 \$4,485 \$10,730	But not over — \$4,485 \$10,730	å

TABLE 8—DAILY or MISCELLANEOUS Payroll Period

	(a) SINGLE or HE HOUSEHOL	AD OF D	(b)	MARRIED Without (Filing Certific	out Spouse cate	(c) I	MARRIED With Bo Filing Certific	th Spouses ate
the numbe such perio	withholding	The amount of payment to be made is the following amount multiplied by the number of days in such period:	the numbe such perio	withholding	The amount of payment to be made is the following amount multiplied by the number of days in such period:	the numbe such perior	withholding	The amount of payment to be made is the following amount multiplied by the number of days in such period:
90 \$34 \$63	But not over— \$34	. 20.40% of wages . \$7 . \$7 less 9.588% of wages in excess of \$63	\$0 \$34 \$82	But not over — \$34	20.40% of wages \$7 \$7 less 9.588% of wages in excess of \$82	\$0 \$17 \$41	But not over — \$17	20.40% of wages \$3 \$3 less 9.588% of wages in excess of \$41

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Tables for Wage Bracket Method of Advance EIC Payments (For Wages Paid Through December 2010)

WEEKLY Payroll Period

SINGLI	E or HE	AD OF I	HOUSE	IOLD										
Wages —		Payment	Wages —		_ Payment	Wages—		_ Payment	Wages—		_ Payment	Wages—		_ Payment
At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made
\$0 5	\$5 10	\$0	\$75 80	\$80 85	\$15	\$150 155	\$155 160	31	\$415 425	\$425 435	\$25 24	\$565 575	\$575 585	\$10 9
5 10	15	1 2	85	90	16 17	160	165	32 33	425 435	435 445	24 23	575 585	585 595	8
15	20	3	90	95	18	165	170	34	445	455	22	595	605	8
20	25	4	95	100	19	170	315	35	455	465	21	605	615	7
25	30	5	100	105	20	315	325	34	465	475	20	615	625	6
30	35	6	105	110	21	325	335	33	475	485	19	625	635	5
35	40	7	110	115	22	335	345	32	485	495	18	635	645	4
40	45	8	115	120	23	345	355	31	495	505	17	645	655	3
45	50	9	120	125	24	355	365	31	505	515	16	655	665	2
50	55	10	125	130	26	365	375	30	515	525	15	665	675	1
55	60	11	130	135	27	375	385	29	525	535	14	675		0
60	65	12	135	140	28	385	395	28	535	545	13			
65 70	70 75	13 14	140 145	145 150	29 30	395 405	405 415	27 26	545 555	555 565	12 11			
			ouse Fil			403	413	20	333	303	- ''			
Wages—	ED WILL	iout Sp	Wages —	ing Cer	uncate	Magas			Wagos			Wagos		
wayes—		Payment	wages—		Payment	Wages —		Payment	Wages—		_ Payment	Wages —		_ Paymen
At least	But less	to be	At least	But less	to be	At least	But less	to be	At least	But less	to be	At least	But less	to be
	than	made		than	made		than	made		than	made		than	made
\$0	\$5	\$0	\$75	\$80	\$15	\$150	\$155	\$31	\$510	\$520	\$25	\$660	\$670	\$11
5	10	1	80	85	16	155	160	32	520	530	24	670	680	10
10	15	2	85	90	17	160	165	33	530	540	23	680	690	9
15	20	3	90	95	18	165	170	34	540	550	22	690	700	8
20	25	4	95	100	19	170	410	35	550	560	21	700	710	7
25	30	5	100	105	20	410	420	34	560	570	20	710	720	6
30	35	6	105	110	21	420	430	34	570	580	19	720	730	5
35	40	7	110	115	22	430	440	33	580	590	18	730	740	4
40	45 50	8	115	120	23	440	450	32	590	600	17 16	740	750 760	3 2
45	50	9	120	125	24	450	460	31	600	610	16	750	760	2

MARRIED With Both Spouses Filing Certificate

Wages—		Payment	Wages —		- Payment	Wages—		Payment	Wages—		- Payment	Wages—		_ Payment
At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made
\$0	\$5 10	\$0	\$40	\$45	\$8	\$80	\$85	\$16	\$265	\$275 285	\$11	\$345 355	\$355	\$3
10	10 15	2	45 50	50 55	9 10	85 205	205 215	17 17	275 285	295	10 9	365	365 375	1
15 20	20 25	3 4	55 60	60 65	11 12	215 225	225 235	16 15	295 305	305 315	8 7	375		0
25 30	30 35	5 6	65 70	70 75	13 14	235 245	245 255	14 13	315 325	325 335	6 5			
35	40	7	76 75	80	15	255	265	12	335	345	4			

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BIWEEKLY Payroll Period

Vages—		Payment	Wages—		Payment	Wages—		Pavment	Wages—		Payment	Wages —		_ Paymen
t least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made
\$0	\$5	\$0	\$145	\$150	\$30	\$290	\$295	\$59	\$810	\$820	\$52	\$1,100	\$1,110	\$25
5	10	1	150	155	31	295	300	60	820	830	51	1,110	1,120	24
10	15	2	155	160	32	300	305	61	830	840	51	1,120	1,130	23
15	20	3	160	165	33	305	310	62	840	850	50	1,130	1,140	22
20	25	4	165	170	34	310	315	63	850	860	49	1,140	1,150	21
25	30	5	170	175	35	315	320	64	860	870	48	1,150	1,160	20
30	35	6	175	180	36	320	325	65	870	880	47	1,160	1,170	19
35	40	7	180	185	37	325	330	66	880	890	46	1,170	1,180	18
40	45	8	185	190	38	330	335	67	890	900	45	1,180	1,190	17
45	50	9	190	195	39	335	340	68	900	910	44	1,190	1,200	16
50	55	10	195	200	40	340	630	69	910	920	43	1,200	1,210	15
55	60	11	200	205	41	630	640	70	920	930	42	1,210	1,220	14
60	65	12	205	210	42	640	650	69	930	940	41	1,220	1,230	13
65	70	13	210	215	43	650	660	68	940	950	40	1,230	1,240	12
70	75	14	215	220	44	660	670	67	950	960	39	1,240	1,250	11
75	80	15	220	225	45	670	680	66	960	970	38	1,250	1,260	10
80	85	16	225	230	46	680	690	65	970	980	37	1,260	1,270	9
85	90	17	230	235	47	690	700	64	980	990	36	1,270	1,280	8
90	95	18	235	240	48	700	710	63	990	1,000	35	1,280	1,290	7
95	100	19	240	245	49	710	720	62	1,000	1,010	34	1,290	1,300	6
100	105	20	245	250	50	720	730	61	1,010	1,020	33	1,300	1,310	5
105	110	21	250	255	51	730	740	60	1,020	1,030	32	1,310	1,320	4
110	115	22	255	260	52	740	750	59	1,030	1,040	31	1,320	1,330	4
115	120	23	260	265	53	750	760	58	1,040	1,050	30	1,330	1,340	3
120	125	24	265	270	54	760	770	57	1,050	1,060	29	1,340	1,350	2
125	130	26	270	275	55	770	780	56	1,060	1,070	28	1,350	1,360	1
130	135	27	275	280	56	780	790	55	1.070	1,080	27	1,360		0
135	140	28	280	285	57	790	800	54	1,080	1,090	27			
140	145	29	285	290	58	800	810	53	1,090	1,100	26			

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Wages —		Payment	Wages —		_ Payment	Wages—		_ Payment	Wages—		Payment	Wages—		_ Payment
At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made
\$0	\$5	\$0	\$145	\$150	\$30	\$290	\$295	\$59	\$1,005	\$1,015	\$52	\$1,295	\$1,305	\$24
5	10	1	150	155	31	295	300	60	1,015	1,025	51	1,305	1,315	23
10	15	2	155	160	32	300	305	61	1,025	1,035	50	1,315	1,325	22
15	20	3	160	165	33	305	310	62	1,035	1,045	49	1,325	1,335	22
20	25	4	165	170	34	310	315	63	1,045	1,055	48	1,335	1,345	21
25	30	5	170	175	35	315	320	64	1,055	1,065	47	1,345	1,355	20
30	35	6	175	180	36	320	325	65	1,065	1,075	46	1,355	1,365	19
35	40	7	180	185	37	325	330	66	1,075	1,085	45	1,365	1,375	18
40	45	8	185	190	38	330	335	67	1,085	1,095	45	1,375	1,385	17
45	50	9	190	195	39	335	340	68	1,095	1,105	44	1,385	1,395	16
50	55	10	195	200	40	340	825	69	1,105	1,115	43	1,395	1,405	15
55	60	11	200	205	41	825	835	69	1,115	1,125	42	1,405	1,415	14
60	65	12	205	210	42	835	845	69	1,125	1,135	41	1,415	1,425	13
65	70	13	210	215	43	845	855	68	1,135	1,145	40	1,425	1,435	12
70	75	14	215	220	44	855	865	67	1,145	1,155	39	1,435	1,445	11
75	80	15	220	225	45	865	875	66	1,155	1,165	38	1,445	1,455	10
80	85	16	225	230	46	875	885	65	1,165	1,175	37	1,455	1,465	9
85	90	17	230	235	47	885	895	64	1,175	1,185	36	1,465	1,475	8
90	95	18	235	240	48	895	905	63	1,185	1,195	35	1,475	1,485	7
95	100	19	240	245	49	905	915	62	1,195	1,205	34	1,485	1,495	6
100	105	20	245	250	50	915	925	61	1,205	1,215	33	1,495	1,505	5
105	110	21	250	255	51	925	935	60	1,215	1,225	32	1,505	1,515	4
110	115	22	255	260	52	935	945	59	1,225	1,235	31	1,515	1,525	3
115	120	23	260	265	53	945	955	58	1,235	1,245	30	1,525	1,535	3 2
120	125	24	265	270	54	955	965	57	1,245	1,255	29	1,535	1,545	1
125	130	26	270	275	55	965	975	56	1,255	1,265	28	1,545		0
130	135	27	275	280	56	975	985	55	1,265	1,275	27			
135	140	28	280	285	57	985	995	54	1,275	1,285	26			
140	145	29	285	290	58	995	1,005	53	1,285	1,295	25			

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Wages—		_ Payment	Wages —		_ Payment	Wages —		_ Payment	Wages—		_ Payment	Wages —		_ Payment
At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made
\$0 5 10 15 20	\$5 10 15 20 25	\$0 1 2 3 4	\$75 80 85 90 95	\$80 85 90 95 100	\$15 16 17 18 19	\$150 155 160 165 170	\$155 160 165 170 410	\$31 32 33 34 35	\$510 520 530 540 550	\$520 530 540 550 560	\$25 24 23 22 21	660 670 680 690 700	670 680 690 700 710	11 10 9 8 7
25 30 35 40 45	30 35 40 45 50	5 6 7 8	100 105 110 115 120	105 110 115 120 125	20 21 22 23 24	410 420 430 440 450	420 430 440 450 460	34 34 33 32 31	560 570 580 590 600	570 580 590 600 610	20 19 18 17 16	710 720 730 740 750	720 730 740 750 760	6 5 4 3 2
50 55 60 65 70	55 60 65 70 75	10 11 12 13 14	125 130 135 140 145	130 135 140 145 150	26 27 28 29 30	460 470 480 490 500	470 480 490 500 510	30 29 28 27 26	610 620 630 640 650	620 630 640 650 660	15 14 13 12 11	760 770	770 	1

SEMIMONTHLY Payroll Period

SINGLE or HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

Wages —		_ Payment	Wages—		- Payment	Wages —		_ Payment	Wages —		_ Payment	Wages—		_ Payment
At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made
\$0 5	\$5 10	\$0 1	\$155 160	\$160 165	\$32 33	\$310 315	\$315 320	\$63 64	\$865 875	\$875 885	\$58 57	\$1,175 1.185	\$1,185 1,195	\$28 27
10	15	2	165	170	34	320	325	65	885	895	56	1,195	1,205	26
15	20	3	170	175	35	325	330	66	895	905	55	1,205	1,215	25
20	25	4	175	180	36	330	335	67	905	915	54	1,215	1,225	25
25	30	5	180	185	37	335	340	68	915	925	53	1,225	1,235	24
30	35	6	185	190	38	340	345	69	925	935	52	1,235	1,245	23
35	40	7	190	195	39	345	350	70	935	945	51	1,245	1,255	22
40	45	8	195	200	40	350	355	71	945	955	50	1,255	1,265	21
45	50	9	200	205	41	355	360	72	955	965	49	1,265	1,275	20
50	55	10	205	210	42	360	365	73	965	975	48	1,275	1,285	19
55	60	11	210	215	43	365	370	74	975	985	48	1,285	1,295	18
60	65	12	215	220	44	370	685	75	985	995	47	1,295	1,305	17
65	70	13	220	225	45	685	695	75	995	1,005	46	1,305	1,315	16
70	75	14	225	230	46	695	705	74	1,005	1,015	45	1,315	1,325	15
75	80	15	230	235	47	705	715	73	1,015	1,025	44	1,325	1,335	14
80	85	16	235	240	48	715	725	72	1,025	1,035	43	1,335	1,345	13
85	90	17	240	245	49	725	735	71	1,035	1,045	42	1,345	1,355	12
90	95	18	245	250	50	735	745	71	1,045	1,055	41	1,355	1,365	11
95	100	19	250	255	51	745	755	70	1,055	1,065	40	1,365	1,375	10
100	105	20	255	260	52	755	765	69	1,065	1,075	39	1,375	1,385	9 8 7
105	110	21	260	265	53	765	775	68	1,075	1,085	38	1,385	1,395	8
110	115	22	265	270	54	775	785	67	1,085	1,095	37	1,395	1,405	
115 120	120 125	23 24	270 275	275 280	55 56	785 795	795 805	66 65	1,095 1,105	1,105 1,115	36 35	1,405 1,415	1,415 1,425	6 5
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125	130	26	280	285	57	805	815	64	1,115	1,125	34	1,425	1,435	4
130	135 140	27 28	285 290	290 295	58 59	815 825	825 835	63 62	1,125	1,135	33 32	1,435	1,445	3 2 2
135 140	140 145	28 29	290 295	300	59 60	825 835	835 845	62 61	1,135 1,145	1,145 1,155	32 31	1,445 1,455	1,455 1,465	2
145	150	30	300	305	61	845	855	60	1,145	1,165	30	1,465	1,465	1
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150	155	31	305	310	62	855	865	59	1,165	1,175	29	1,475		0

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Wages—		Payment	Wages —		- Payment	Wages —		_ Payment	Wages —		Payment	Wages —		_ Payment
At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made
\$0	\$5	\$0	\$155	\$160	\$32	\$310	\$315	\$63	\$1,070	\$1,080	\$58	\$1,380	\$1,390	\$29
5	10	1	160	165	33	315	320	64	1,080	1,090	57	1,390	1,400	28
10	15	2	165	170	34	320	325	65	1,090	1,100	57	1,400	1,410	27
15	20	3	170	175	35	325	330	66	1,100	1,110	56	1,410	1,420	26
20	25	4	175	180	36	330	335	67	1,110	1,120	55	1,420	1,430	25
25	30	5	180	185	37	335	340	68	1,120	1,130	54	1,430	1,440	24 23
30	35	6	185	190	38	340	345	69	1,130	1,140	53	1,440	1,450	23
35	40	7	190	195	39	345	350	70	1,140	1,150	52	1,450	1,460	22
40	45	8	195	200	40	350	355	71	1,150	1,160	51	1,460	1,470	21
45	50	9	200	205	41	355	360	72	1,160	1,170	50	1,470	1,480	20
50	55	10	205	210	42	360	365	73	1,170	1,180	49	1,480	1,490	19
55	60	11	210	215	43	365	370	74	1,180	1,190	48	1,490	1,500	18
60	65	12	215	220	44	370	890	75	1,190	1,200	47	1,500	1,510	17
65	70	13	220	225	45	890	900	76	1,200	1,210	46	1,510	1,520	16
70	75	14	225	230	46	900	910	75	1,210	1,220	45	1,520	1,530	15
75	80	15	230	235	47	910	920	74	1,220	1,230	44	1,530	1,540	14
80	85	16	235	240	48	920	930	73	1,230	1,240	43	1,540	1,550	13
85	90	17	240	245	49	930	940	72	1,240	1,250	42	1,550	1,560	12
90	95	18	245	250	50	940	950	71	1,250	1,260	41	1,560	1,570	11
95	100	19	250	255	51	950	960	70	1,260	1,270	40	1,570	1,580	10
100	105	20	255	260	52	960	970	69	1,270	1,280	39	1,580	1,590	10
105	110	21	260	265	53	970	980	68	1,280	1,290	38	1,590	1,600	10 9 8 7
110	115	22	265	270	54	980	990	67	1,290	1,300	37	1,600	1,610	8
115	120	23	270	275	55	990	1,000	66	1,300	1,310	36	1,610	1,620	7
120	125	24	275	280	56	1,000	1,010	65	1,310	1,320	35	1,620	1,630	6
125	130	26	280	285	57	1,010	1,020	64	1,320	1,330	34	1,630	1,640	6 5 4
130	135	27	285	290	58	1,020	1,030	63	1,330	1,340	34	1,640	1,650	4
135	140	28	290	295	59	1,030	1,040	62	1,340	1,350	33	1,650	1,660	3
140	145	29	295	300	60	1,040	1,050	61	1,350	1,360	32	1,660	1,670	3 2
145	150	30	300	305	61	1,050	1,060	60	1,360	1,370	31	1,670	1,680	1
150	155	31	305	310	62	1,060	1,070	59	1,370	1,380	30	1,680		0

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Wages—		Payment	Wages—		_ Payment	Wages—		Payment	Wages—		_ Payment	Wages—		Paymen
At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made
\$0 5 10 15 20	\$5 10 15 20 25	\$0 1 2 3 4	\$80 85 90 95 100	\$85 90 95 100 105	\$16 17 18 19 20	\$160 165 170 175 180	\$165 170 175 180 185	\$33 34 35 36 37	\$545 555 565 575 585	\$555 565 575 585 595	\$28 27 26 25 24	\$705 715 725 735 745	\$715 725 735 745 755	\$12 11 11 10 9
25 30 35 40 45	30 35 40 45 50	5 6 7 8 9	105 110 115 120 125	110 115 120 125 130	21 22 23 24 26	185 445 455 465 475	445 455 465 475 485	38 37 36 35 34	595 605 615 625 635	605 615 625 635 645	23 22 21 20 19	755 765 775 785 795	765 775 785 795 805	8 7 6 5 4
50 55 60 65 70	55 60 65 70 75	10 11 12 13 14	130 135 140 145 150	135 140 145 150 155	27 28 29 30 31	485 495 505 515 525	495 505 515 525 535	34 33 32 31 30	645 655 665 675 685 695	655 665 675 685 695	18 17 16 15 14	805 815 825 835	815 825 835	3 2 1 0

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SINGLE	E or HE	AD OF I	HOUSE	HOLD										
Wages—		_ Payment	Wages—		Payment	Wages —		_ Payment	Wages—		_ Payment	Wages —		Payment
At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made
\$0	\$5	\$0	\$310	\$315	\$63	\$620	\$625	\$126	\$1,730	\$1,740	\$117	\$2,350	\$2,360	\$58
5	10	1	315	320	64	625	630	128	1,740	1,750	116	2,360	2,370	57
10	15	2	320	325	65	630	635	129	1,750	1,760	115	2,370	2,380	56
15	20	3	325	330	66	635	640	130	1,760	1,770	114	2,380	2,390	55
20	25	4	330	335	67	640	645	131	1,770	1,780	113	2,390	2,400	54
25	30	5	335	340	68	645	650	132	1,780	1,790	112	2,400	2,410	53
30	35	6	340	345	69	650	655	133	1,790	1,800	111	2,410	2,420	52
35	40	7	345	350	70	655	660	134	1,800	1,810	110	2,420	2,430	51
40	45	8	350	355	71	660	665	135	1,810	1,820	109	2,430	2,440	50
45	50	9	355	360	72	665	670	136	1,820	1,830	108	2,440	2,450	49
50	55	10	360	365	73	670	675	137	1,830	1,840	108	2,450	2,460	48
55	60	11	365	370	74	675	680	138	1,840	1,850	107	2,460	2,470	47
60	65	12	370	375	75	680	685	139	1,850	1,860	106	2,470	2,480	46
65	70	13	375	380	77	685	690	140	1,860	1,870	105	2,480	2,490	45
70	75	14	380	385	78	690	695	141	1,870	1,880	104	2,490	2,500	44
75	80	15	385	390	79	695	700	142	1,880	1,890	103	2,500	2,510	43
80	85	16	390	395	80	700	705	143	1,890	1,900	102	2,510	2,520	42
85	90	17	395	400	81	705	710	144	1,890	1,910	101	2,520	2,530	41
90	95	18	400	405	82	710	715	145	1,910	1,920	100	2,530	2,540	40
95	100	19	405	410	83	715	720	146	1,920	1,930	99	2,540	2,550	39
100	105	20	410	415	84	720	725	147	1,930	1,940	98	2,550	2,560	38
105	110	21	415	420	85	725	730	148	1,940	1,950	97	2,560	2,570	38
110	115	22	420	425	86	730	735	149	1,950	1,960	96	2,570	2,580	37
115	120	23	425	430	87	735	740	150	1,960	1,970	95	2,580	2,590	36
120	125	24	430	435	88	740	745	151	1,970	1,980	94	2,590	2,600	35
125	130	26	435	440	89	745	1,370	152	1,980	1,990	93	2,600	2,610	34
130	135	27	440	445	90	1,370	1,380	152	1,990	2,000	92	2,610	2,620	33
135	140	28	445	450	91	1,380	1,390	151	2,000	2,010	91	2,620	2,630	32
140	145	29	450	455	92	1,390	1,400	150	2,010	2,020	90	2,630	2,640	31
145	150	30	455	460	93	1,400	1,410	149	2,020	2,030	89	2,640	2,650	30
150	155	31	460	465	94	1,410	1,420	148	2,030	2,040	88	2,650	2,660	29
155	160	32	465	470	95	1,420	1,430	147	2,040	2,050	87	2,660	2,670	28
160	165	33	470	475	96	1,430	1,440	146	2,050	2,060	86	2,670	2,680	27
165	170	34	475	480	97	1,440	1,450	145	2,060	2,070	85	2,680	2,690	26
170	175	35	480	485	98	1,450	1,460	144	2,070	2,080	85	2,690	2,700	25
175	180	36	485	490	99	1,460	1,470	143	2,080	2,090	84	2,700	2,710	24
180	185	37	490	495	100	1,470	1,480	142	2,090	2,100	83	2,710	2,720	23
185	190	38	495	500	101	1,480	1,490	141	2,100	2,110	82	2,720	2,730	22
190	195	39	500	505	102	1,490	1,500	140	2,110	2,120	81	2,730	2,740	21
195	200	40	505	510	103	1,500	1,510	139	2,120	2,130	80	2,740	2,750	20
200	205	41	510	515	104	1,510	1,520	138	2,130	2,140	79	2,750	2,760	19
205	210	42	515	520	105	1,520	1,530	137	2,140	2,150	78	2,760	2,770	18
210	215	43	520	525	106	1,530	1,540	136	2,150	2,160	77	2,770	2,780	17
215	220	44	525	530	107	1,540	1,550	135	2,160	2,170	76	2,780	2,790	16
220	225	45	530	535	108	1,550	1,560	134	2,170	2,180	75	2,790	2,800	15
225	230	46	535	540	109	1,560	1,570	133	2,180	2,190	74	2,800	2,810	15
230	235	47	540	545	110	1,570	1,580	132	2,190	2,200	73	2,810	2,820	14
235	240	48	545	550	111	1,580	1,590	131	2,200	2,210	72	2,820	2,830	13
240	245	49	550	555	112	1,590	1,600	131	2,210	2,220	71	2,830	2,840	12
245	250	50	555	560	113	1,600	1,610	130	2,220	2,230	70	2,840	2,850	11
250	255	51	560	565	114	1,610	1,620	129	2,230	2,240	69	2,850	2,860	10
255	260	52	565	570	115	1,620	1,630	128	2,240	2,250	68	2,860	2,870	9
260	265	53	570	575	116	1,630	1,640	127	2,250	2,260	67	2,870	2,880	8
265	270	54	575	580	117	1,640	1,650	126	2,260	2,270	66	2,880	2,890	7
270	275	55	580	585	118	1,650	1,660	125	2,270	2,280	65	2,890	2,900	6
275	280	56	585	590	119	1,660	1,670	124	2,280	2,290	64	2,900	2,910	5
280	285	57	590	595	120	1,670	1,680	123	2,290	2,300	63	2,910	2,920	4
285	290	58	595	600	121	1,680	1,690	122	2,300	2,310	62	2,920	2,930	3
290	295	59	600	605	122	1,690	1,700	121	2,310	2,320	61	2,930	2,940	2
295	300	60	605	610	123	1,700	1,710	120	2,320	2,330	61	2,940	2,950	1
300 305	305 310	61 62	610 615	615 620	124 125	1,710 1,720	1,720 1,730	119 118	2,330 2,340	2,340 2,350	60 59	2,950		0

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MARRI	ED With	nout Sp	ouse Fi	ling Cer	tificate									
Wages—		_ Payment	Wages—		Payment	Wages—		_ Payment	Wages-		_ Payment	Wages —		Payment
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25 30 35 40	30 35 40 45	5 6 7 8	335 340 345 350	340 345 350 355	68 69 70 71	645 650 655 660	650 655 660 665	132 133 134 135	2,195 2,205 2,215 2,225	2,205 2,215 2,225 2,235	113 112 111 110	2,815 2,825 2,835 2,845	2,825 2,835 2,845 2,855	53 52 51 50
45 50 55	50 55 60	9 10 11	355 360 365	360 365 370	72 73 74	665 670 675	670 675 680	136 137 138	2,235 2,245 2,255	2,245 2,255 2,265	109 108 107	2,855 2,865 2,875	2,865 2,875 2,885	49 48 47
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MONTHLY Payroll Period (continued)

Wages —		_ Payment	Wages —		Payment	Wages—		_ Payment	Wages —		_ Payment	Wages —		_ Payment
At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made
\$0 5	\$5 10	\$0 1	\$155 160	\$160 165	\$32 33	\$310 315	\$315 320	\$63 64	\$1,070 1,080	\$1,080 1,090	\$58 57	\$1,380 1,390	\$1,390 1,400	\$29 28
10	15	2	165	170	34	320	325	65	1,090	1,100	57	1,400	1,410	27
15	20	3	170	175	35	325	330	66	1,100	1,110	56	1,410	1,420	26
20	25	4	175	180	36	330	335	67	1,110	1,120	55	1,420	1,430	25
25	30	5	180	185	37	335	340	68	1.120	1.130	54	1.430	1,440	24
30	35	6	185	190	38	340	345	69	1,130	1,140	53	1,440	1,450	23
35	40	7	190	195	39	345	350	70	1,140	1,150	52	1,450	1,460	22
40	45	8	195	200	40	350	355	71	1,150	1,160	51	1,460	1,470	21
45	50	9	200	205	41	355	360	72	1,160	1,170	50	1,470	1,480	20
50	55	10	205	210	42	360	365	73	1,170	1,180	49	1,480	1,490	19
55	60	11	210	215	43	365	370	74	1,180	1,190	48	1,490	1,500	18
60	65	12	215	220	44	370	890	75	1,190	1,200	47	1,500	1,510	17
65	70	13	220	225	45	890	900	76	1,200	1,210	46	1,510	1,520	16
70	75	14	225	230	46	900	910	75	1,210	1,220	45	1,520	1,530	15
75	80	15	230	235	47	910	920	74	1,220	1,230	44	1,530	1,540	14
80	85	16	235	240	48	920	930	73	1,230	1,240	43	1,540	1,550	13
85	90	17	240	245	49	930	940	72	1,240	1,250	42	1,550	1,560	12
90	95	18	245	250	50	940	950	71	1,250	1,260	41	1,560	1,570	11
95	100	19	250	255	51	950	960	70	1,260	1,270	40	1,570	1,580	10
100	105	20	255	260	52	960	970	69	1,270	1,280	39	1,580	1,590	10
105	110	21	260	265	53	970	980	68	1,280	1,290	38	1,590	1,600	9
110	115	22	265	270	54	980	990	67	1,290	1,300	37	1,600	1,610	8
115	120	23	270	275	55	990	1,000	66	1,300	1,310	36	1,610	1,620	7
120	125	24	275	280	56	1,000	1,010	65	1,310	1,320	35	1,620	1,630	6
125	130	26	280	285	57	1,010	1,020	64	1,320	1,330	34	1,630	1,640	5
130	135	27	285	290	58	1,020	1,030	63	1,330	1,340	34	1,640	1,650	4
135	140	28	290	295	59	1,030	1,040	62	1,340	1,350	33	1,650	1,660	3
140	145	29	295	300	60	1,040	1,050	61	1,350	1,360	32	1,660	1,670	2
145	150	30	300	305	61	1,050	1,060	60	1,360	1,370	31	1,670	1,680	1
150	155	31	305	310	62	1,060	1,070	59	1,370	1,380	30	1,680		0

DAILY Payroll Period

SINGLE or HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD						MARRIED Without Spouse Filing Certificate				MARRIED With Both Spouses Filing Certificate							
Wages —		Payment	Wages —		Payment	Wages —		Payment	Wages —		Payment	Wages —		Payment	Wages —		Payment
At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made	At least	But less than	to be made
\$0 5 10 15 20 25	\$5 10 15 20 25	\$0 1 2 3 4	\$70 80 90 100 110	\$80 90 100 110 120	\$5 4 4 3 2	\$0 5 10 15 20 25	\$5 10 15 20 25	\$0 1 2 3 4	\$90 100 110 120 130	\$100 110 120 130 140	\$5 4 3 2 2	\$0 5 10 15 40	\$5 10 15 40 50	\$0 1 2 3 3	\$50 60 70	\$60 70 	\$2 1 0
30 60	60 70	6 6	130		Ö	30 80	80 90	6 6	150		Ö						

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Tables for Withholding Adjustment for Nonresident Aliens for Wages Paid in 2010

(To Offset Withholding Reductions for the Making Work Pay Credit)

TABLE 2—BIWEEKLY Payroll Period TABLE 1—WEEKLY Payroll Period If the wage after being

If the wage after being increased by \$39.42 and (after subtracting the value of withholding

The amount of income tax allowances) is:

to withhold is:

Over—	But not over—	of excess over—
\$0	\$39 \$0.00	
\$39	—\$116 \$0.00 plus 10)%
\$116	—\$1,302 · · · \$7.70	
\$1,302	—\$1,687 \$7.70 less 29	%
\$1,687 an	d over \$0.00	

increased by \$78.85 and (after subtracting the value of withholding allowances)

The amount of income tax to withhold is:

	Over—	But not ove	er—	of excess over—
	\$0	\$79	\$0.00	
)	\$79	—\$233	\$0.00 plus 10%	—\$79
	\$233	-\$2,604	\$15.40	
	\$2,604	-\$3,373	\$15.40 less 2%	-\$2,604
	\$3,373		\$0.00	

TABLE 3—SEMIMONTHLY Payroll Period

If the wage after being increased by \$85.42 and (after subtracting the value of withholding allowances) is:

The amount of income tax to withhold is:

C)ver—	But not over—		of excess over—
	\$0	\$85	\$0.00	
	\$85	— \$252	\$0.00 plus 10%	—\$85
	\$252	— \$2,821	\$16.70	
	\$2,821	— \$3,654	\$16.70 less 2%	—\$2,821
	\$3,654	and over	\$0.00	

TABLE 4—MONTHLY Payroll Period

If the wage after being increased by \$170.83 and (after subtracting the value of withholding allowances)

The amount of income

tax to withhold is:

Over—	But not over—	•	of excess over—
\$0	\$171	.\$0.00	
\$171	— \$504	.\$0.00 plus 10%	—\$171
\$504	— \$5,642	.\$33.30	
\$5,642	— \$7,308	.\$33.30 less 2%	-\$5,642
\$7,308		.\$0.00	

TABLE 5—QUARTERLY Payroll Period

If the wage after being increased by \$512.50 and (after subtracting the value of withholding

The amount of income tax to withhold is: allowances) is:

Over—	But not over—		of excess over-
\$0	\$513	\$0.00	
\$513	— \$1,513	\$0.00 plus 10%	— \$513
\$1,513	— \$16,925		
\$16,925	— \$21,925	\$100.00 less 2%	—\$16,925
\$21,925 and	over	\$0.00	

TABLE 6—SEMIANNUAL Payroll Period

If the wage after being increased by \$1,025.00 and (after subtracting the value of withholding allowances)

is:

The amount of income tax to withhold is:

Over—	But not over—	of excess over—
\$0	\$1,025\$0.00	
\$1,025	—\$3,025 \$0.00 plus	10% —\$1,025
\$3,025	— \$33,850 \$200.00	
\$33,850	—\$43,850\$200.00 les	ss 2% —\$33,850
\$43,850	\$0.00	

TABLE 7—ANNUAL Payroll Period

If the wage after being increased by \$2,050.00 and (after subtracting the value of The amount of income tax withholding allowances) is: to withhold is:

Over—	But not over—	of	excess over-
\$0	\$2,050 \$	0.00	
\$2,050	— \$6,050 \$	0.00 plus 10%	-\$2,050
\$6,050	— \$67,700 \$	400.00	
\$67,700	— \$87,700 \$	400.00 less 2%	-\$67,700
\$87,700 ar	nd over\$	0.00	

TABLE 8—DAILY or MISCELLANEOUS Payroll Period

If the wage after being increased by \$7.88 and (after subtracting the value of withholding allowances)

The amount of income tax to withhold is:

Over—	But not over—	of excess over—
\$0	\$8\$0.00	
\$8	—\$23\$0.00 plus 10%	—\$8
\$23	— \$260 \$1.50	
\$260	—\$337\$1.50 less 2%	—\$260
\$337		

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Additional Withholding for Pensions for 2010

Approximate Offset to Withholding Reductions for the Making Work Pay Credit.

To be used only in conjunction with the withholding tables found in Publication 15.

For MONTHLY Payment Period

(a) For payees using the SINGLE withholding rate schedule—		(b) For payees using the MARRIED withholding rate schedule—	
If the pension payment (before subtracting the value of withholding allowances) is:	Then, the additional withholding amount is:	If the pension paymer (before subtracting the value of withholding allowances) is:	
Over - But not over-	_	Over— But not o	over—
Not over \$779.00	. \$0	Not over \$1,558.00 .	\$0
\$779.00 —\$1,113.00	\$0.00 plus 10% of the excess over \$779.00	\$1,558.00 —\$2,058	8.00 \$0.00 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,558
\$1,113.00 —\$6,250.00	\$33.40	\$2,058.00 —\$8,750	0.00 \$50.00
\$6,250.00 —\$8,523.00	\$33.40 less 2% of the excess over \$6,250.00	\$8,750.00 —\$11,250	0.00 \$50.00 less 2% of the excess over \$8,750.00
\$8,523.00	. (\$12.06)	\$11,250.00	\$0.00

For SEMIMONTHLY Payment Period

(a) For payees using the SINGLE withholding rate schedule—		(b) For payees using the MARRIED withholding rate schedule—		
If the pension payment (before subtracting the value of withholding allowances) is:	Then, the additional withholding amount is:	If the pensic (before subt value of with allowances)	tracting the nholding	Then, the additional withholding amount is:
Over - But not over-	_	Over—	But not over-	_
Not over \$390.00	. \$0	Not over \$7	79.00	. \$0
	\$0.00 plus 10% of the excess over \$390.00		: 1	\$0.00 plus 10% of the excess over \$779.00
\$556.00 —\$3,430.00	•	+ ,	—\$4,375.00	·
\$3,430.00 —\$4,260.00 \$4,260.00	\$16.60 less 2% of the excess over \$3,430.00 . \$0.00		—\$5,625.00	\$25.00 less 2% of the excess over \$4,375.00 . \$0.00
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For BIWEEKLY Payment Period

(a) For payees using the SINGLE withholding rate schedule—		(b) For payees using the MARRIED withholding rate schedule—	
If the pension payment (before subtracting the value of withholding allowances) is:	Then, the additional withholding amount is:	If the pension payment (before subtracting the value of withholding allowances) is:	Then, the additional withholding amount is:
Over - But not over-	_	Over— But not over	· _
Not over \$360.00	. \$0	Not over \$719.00	\$0
\$513.00 —\$2,885.00	\$15.30 less 2% of the excess over \$2,885.00	\$950.00 —\$4,038.00	\$23.10 less 2% of the excess over \$4,038.00

For WEEKLY Payment Period

(a) For payees using the	SINGLE withholding rate schedule—	(b) For payees using the MARRIED withholding rate schedule—	-
If the pension payment (before subtracting the value of withholding allowances) is:	Then, the additional withholding amount is:	If the pension payment (before subtracting the value of withholding allowances) is: Then, the additional withholding amoun	ıt is:
Over— But not over-	_	Over— But not over—	
Not over \$180.00	\$0	Not over \$360.00 \$0	
\$257.00 —\$1,442.00	\$0.00 plus 10% of the excess over \$180.00 \$7.70 \$7.70 less 2% of the excess over \$1,442.00	\$360.00 —\$475.00 \$0.00 plus 10% of the excess over \$360 \$475.00 —\$2,019.00 \$11.50 \$2,019.00 —\$2,599.00 \$11.50 less 2% of the excess over \$2,0	
\$1,828.00	(\$0.02)	\$2,599.00 (\$0.10)	

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