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Tax Updates

Individual

Oregon

Prior to Release 2015-3.4, Oregon Form OR-PTE, Line 11b, incorrectly calculated the reduced tax rate for income greater than \$5,000,000 at 9% in lieu of 9.9%.

The Oregon Department of Revenue indicates that returns with this error should be amended, if the reduced rate tax was incorrectly used. Scans are available to identify impacted returns.

Partnership

Illinois

The Illinois Unitary Business Group return has been updated to include Partnership returns. A Partnership return can be included as a subsidiary member of a Unitary Business Group when the consolidating entity is a Corporation or S Corporation.

A Partnership return can now be the consolidating entity in a Unitary Business Group, but in that case, only an S Corporation or a Partnership can be included as a subsidiary member of the group.

Estate & Gift

Further updates and enhancements are available for Form 8971, Information Regarding Beneficiaries Acquiring Property From a Decedent.

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Federal

A new version of Form 14039, Identity Theft Affidavit, was released. The April 2016 revision is available.

Alternate Filing Instructions. When Form 9465 is present and electronic withdrawal is elected for the amount being paid with the return, the paragraph discussing mailing of form 1040-V is suppressed.

Extension Transmittal Letter. When no extension is due for a state, the combined federal and state extension letter includes a paragraph stating this instead of just displaying the state's name.

Form 1040X. Full year coverage information remains blank when the taxpayer is a dependent of another.

Form 1116.

- Line 16 for Section 901(j) income is always zero.
- Line 2 statement total matches the amount on Line 2 for Partnerships and S Corporations with an overall loss when there is no entry for gross income from all sources and an entry for deductions allocatable to foreign source income.

Form 6251.

- When an activity is nonpassive, there is both a regular tax and AMT passive activity loss carryover and the current year income for both regular tax and AMT is greater than the carryovers, the difference between the carryovers is included on Form 6251, Line 19.
- When Form 6252 AMT is not prepared, the gain for regular tax purposes is used when determining the loss limitation adjustment for Form 6251, Line 20.

Form 8582 AMT. When the rental activity is coded as "subject to recharacterization rules - other" and there is an overall loss for AMT purposes, the difference between the regular tax and AMT amounts is included on Form 8582 AMT, Line 3b.

Form 8960. Line 5b subtracts the non-excluded amount of a Section 1202 gain on an installment sale only when the classification code is "Non-Investment Income."

Form 8962.

- When an IRS K-1 1120 is coded as joint and the medical insurance premiums are associated with an IRS 1095-A, the nonspecified premiums reported on Worksheet W, Line 4b, equal the total of the insurance premiums allocated to taxpayer and spouse.
- When there are two Forms 1095-A in the return, both are associated with a business, farm, or passthrough, and Worksheet Y or Z is required, the amount for Step 5, Line 7, reflects the sum of the premiums for both policies that is to be taken as a deduction on Form 1040, Line 29.
- When zero is entered for the monthly premium amount (IRS 1095-A, Lines 21 through 32, Column A), the amounts reported in Form 8962, Lines 12 through 23, Column B, are the amounts entered for the "Monthly premium amount of second lowest cost silver plan."

Form 8965.

- A shared responsibility payment does not produce for the spouse on a non-joint return when an entry is made on the IRS 1095-B or IRS 1095-C.
- Line 6 of the marketplace coverage affordability worksheet is changed to 5 decimal places to prevent rounding when equal to 99% so that Lines 7 through 10 are skipped.
- The Line 7b gross income calculation no longer subtracts any passthrough deductions, such as Section 179 expense.
- The marketplace coverage affordability worksheet skipd Lines 2 through 11 on a married filing separate return.

FSC. Filing status comparison reflects the Form 8824, Line 19, Section 121 exclusion when it is split between the taxpayer and spouse.

Schedule D. Schedule D and Form 8949 will print if the only transactions are Section 1202 sales where the entire gain was excluded.

Schedule E, Page 2. When the gross farming and fishing income is entered in both S Corporation Passthrough > Activity > Gross farming and fishing income and S Corporation Passthrough Import > General > 17T Gross farming and fishing income, the amount reported on Schedule E, Line 42, is not doubled.

Schedule SE. An entry entered for "Other Net Non-Farm SE Income and Adjustments" no longer prints "See Schedule SE Attachment."

Excess Farm Loss. When the loss for a farming activity is limited by the Excess Farm Loss and there is Section 179 associated with that activity, the Section 179 expenditure is included in the calculation of the income/loss for the activity.

Arizona

When late filing interest and penalties is requested, that amount is no longer added to the Arizona main form and cannot be withdrawn through automatic withdrawal from a bank account when electronically filing.

Arkansas

Resident returns now use federal numbers for Lines 13, 18, and 19 regardless of state differences in the input. State differences due to depreciation is reported on Line 20. If income is present that is not from Arkansas, preparers should use a credit for taxes paid.

When an entry is present for a qualified charitable contribution on a qualified retirement distribution, the amount is now added back when made on Form 1099R.

California

Schedule W-2, employee's name, now pulls from the IRS W-2 employee name entered, if different from the name on the return.

Colorado

Form 104PN, Line 23, picks up the state amount of health insurance deduction if different than the federal amount.

Form 104PN, Line 31, includes the railroad benefit subtraction when it is included on Line 13 of Form 104PN.

Connecticut

Line 25 and Line 27 are now limited to zero on Form CT6251.

Idaho

Income flows through properly when input is state coded only for Idaho on the Schedule C input.

Kentucky

Kentucky Form 740NP, Page 4, Lines 28 and 31, are limited to 0 and are not allowed to be negative.

Kentucky Electronic Filing

Form 740, Line 17, and Form 740NP, Line 17, do not include personal tax credits for the spouse unless the filing status of the Kentucky return is married filing joint or married filing separate combined.

Louisiana

Credit for taxes paid Worksheet, Column 2, uses taxable income instead of Nonresident state AGI.

Form Schedule G, Column 4, (Percentage of Income Earned) for additional worksheet row is limited to 100 percent.

Form Schedule G, credit for taxes paid section prints correctly when there are more than eight occurrences.

Negative amounts are no longer allowed on Form IT-540NPR worksheet, Lines 2, 11, 13, 15, and 32 for electronic filing.

The amount of the Federal AGI coming from Louisiana Schedule E is being represented as a negative value in the electronic file when the box is checked on Schedule E, Line 1.

When there are more than qualified schools entered for the same dependent, the deduction is limited to \$5,000 per dependent.

Maryland

Form 500CR, Part X, foots when the One Maryland Economic Development Tax credit is claimed.

The full add-back amount from Form 502CR, Part I, Line 1, is included on the main return when the Endow Maryland credit is claimed on Form 502CR.

Extensions letters mention direct debit if banking information is present.

Maryland Electronic Filing

Extensions letters that mention direct debit produce if banking information is present.

Michigan

Ohio Schedule CR does not produce credit for taxes paid to Michigan when there is no income coded to Michigan.

When the extension amount due is 0, letters reflect an automatic extension.

Michigan - Michigan Cities

Detroit 5209 prints when selecting Print Extensions and 1st Quarter Estimates.

Detroit does not give exemption for spouse if one is not claimed on 1040NR for filing status' 3 and 4.

Form 5209 generates when the option to suppress extensions in the client copy is selected.

Form CF-1040, Line 9, Column b, shows the correct amount of exclusion.

Form CF-1040 does not tax pensions for taxpayers over age 59 and a half or if city does not tax pensions.

Grayling return doesl not give exemption when dependent of another is selected.

If 0 is entered for gross income for a factor, it is not counted in factors for Form 5119, Line 41.

Montana

Montana 8582, Line 3, calculates passive income when California also has passive income for Resident, Non-Resident, and Part-Year returns.

Nebraska

Standard deduction for dependent of another is calculated using \$700 as the earned income threshold.

New Jersey

Form 1040NR, Line 18B, includes Sale of Home exclusion when gross proceeds reported on Form 1099S are not entered.

Ohio

Amended return letters match the amended return result on IT 1040.

Form SD 100, Line 17, overpayment applied to next year, fills when Form SD 100ES is not present in the return.

IT 40XP produces only when a balance due is present on IT 1040 amendments.

IT NRC is prepared for part-year and nonresident returns when no Ohio business income is present.

IT NRC, Part II, Line 8, includes the portion of section 179 depreciation expense from pass-through entities included on Schedule A, Line 8, attributable to the pass-through entity.

IT NRC, Part I, Line 23, limits the OH source amount (Column A) of the student loan interest deduction to the amount allowed on the federal return.

IT NRC, Part V, Line 5, allocates taxpayer and spouse amounts of the Schedule A, Line 32, medical expense deduction based on the state coding used on federal input.

Schedule A, Line 8, pulls Section 179 depreciation from entries on Income/Deductions > Business > Depreciation and Amortization under the Totals tab, Election to Expense Certain Tangible Property, for all income entities.

The spouse is included as a dependent on Ohio Schedule J per instruction from the Ohio Department of Taxation when Federal Form 1040NR filing status is married filing separately and claiming an exemption for the nonresident spouse.

Oklahoma

Indian Employment Exclusion functionality is added back to the program.

Oregon

Two year comparison for Oregon, Non-refundable credits referencing the correct amount from the Oregon return.

Code 6 for "Business tax credit flow-through entity" is made inactive since the code is no longer used in 2015.

Correct presentation of balance due or refund for Amended return is reflected in letters.

Correct presentation of Oregon filing instruction, exemption credit being limited to total tax before credits.

Form WFC credit disallowed when investment income is more than 3400 where any losses are limited to zero.

Oregon standard deduction for dependents filing their own return is limited to \$1050.

Refundable Credits should no longer be included in the calculation of state income tax refund on Form M-3, Line 85, and All the Refundable Credit are included in the calculation on Form 9, Line 116.

Philadelphia

Entity name is not available when entering city estimated taxes on Payments > City Estimated Tax Payments > City entity when PHIB or PHIN is entered in the City field.

Virginia

State taxable refunds are not included in the nonresident allocation, Lines 11a and 11b.

Wisconsin

Schedule AR picks up the federal explanation of changes when that option is selected.

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Partner Basis. The Partner Basis schedule picks up the same Nondeductible Expense amount that is on the partner's Schedule K-1.

Schedule K-1. The statement for Long-term QSBS foots with the amount for LT QSBS on Line 11F.

Schedule K. The statement of Adjustment for Section 1250 gain shows the difference between AMT 1250 and Regular 1250 gain.

Electronic Filing - 4684

Form 4684 no longer allows both business name and individual name information for Revenue Procedure 2009-20.

Delaware

Schedule K-1 now masks the partner's ID number when that selection is made in the return configuration set.

Florida

The Extension report for Florida F-7004 correctly indicates if an extension is locked or unlocked.

Illinois

The Illinois Unitary Business Group return was updated to include Partnership returns. A Partnership return can be included as a subsidiary member of a Unitary Business Group when the Shell is a Corporation or S Corporation. A Partnership return can be the Shell in a Unitary Business Group, but in that case, only an S Corporation or a Partnership can be included as a subsidiary member of the group.

Kentucky Electronic filing

Disqualifying diagnostics 40186 and 40187 issue when there is no name present on the KY Schedule K-1.

Massachusetts

Form 3, line 17, Section 1231 gains or losses, has been updated to not include ordinary gain/loss.

Form 3, line 38, Long-term Section 1231 gains or losses, has been updated to not include ordinary gain/loss.

Minnesota

On the Schedule KPI, when input is entered to override the composite income tax paid on the Partners > Partner Information > Minnesota > Composite income tax paid - Override, it now carries to the Schedule KPI, Line 36.

Montana Electronic Filing

A diagnostic was created to ensure negative values are not present in the return on Form PR-1, Page 1, Lines 13a through 13e. Negative values in these lines are not allowed for electronic filing.

New Hampshire

Form DP-132, Column D, no longer allows an amount to be taken for the current year that is greater than the adjusted gross business profits income on Form NH 1065.

New Mexico Electronic Filing

A disqualifying diagnostic issues when PTE-B, Line 4, has a negative amount.

Pennsylvania

Royalty deductions are now reflected on Schedule E, Line 16, instead of netting with the royalty income. Schedule M, Page 1, also includes the deductions.

Schedule D, Page 1 and/or 3, now include the deferred gain from a Section 1031 like-kind exchange.

Section 754 depreciation is now included on PA Schedule M, Page 2, Section E, Lline G.

Texas

The Texas 05-102 continuation sheet now correctly lists all applicable partners.

The information for Texas on the direct deposit report was corrected to match the information on the Texas diagnostics.

Wisconsin

Schedule K-1, Part V, Line 7, was revised to include amounts coded as Portfolio Deductions on the Income/Deductions > Schedule K Income and Deductions worksheet > Schedule K Portfolio Deductions.

Tax identification numbers entered for related entities for Schedule RT on the Wisconsin > Income/Deductions > Schedule RT - Related Entity Expense Disclosure remain after calculating the return.

The amount of income from the pass-through entity on Form PW-2 now carries from Schedule 3K-1, Line 22d.

The amount of Manufacturing credit computed in the prior year can now be specially allocated on Schedule 3K-1 by using allocation code 53988.

The date for the end of the nonresident's taxable year defaults to the end of the passthrough entity's taxable year unless a different date is input on the Federal > Partners > Partner Information - State Specific > Wisconsin - Nonresident Withholding > End of tax year column.

Wisconsin Electronic Filing

Form PW-1 exports with no error messages if exported separately from another Wisconsin return with the estimated payments electronically filed.

If only research credits passed through from another entity are entered on the Wisconsin > Credits > Credit Passed Through from Other Entities, Schedule R produces for print or electronic filing.

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Kentucky Consolidated

The tax calculation on KY Form 720, Part II, Line 1, includes any NOL addition or subtraction on KY Form 720, Part III, Line 19.

Kentucky Electronic filing

Disqualifying diagnostic 46719 no longer issues when an LLET nonfiling code is present on Form 720.

Kentucky Cities

Lexington city tax only carries to the state and city taxes lines of federal and/or state returns when LEX is produced and printing in return.

Louisiana

The calculation of net operating loss carryforward utilized shows correctly on CIFT-620, Page 1, Line 1C1.

The refundable credits listed in Act 125 are now correctly reduced on Schedule RC.

The research and development credit (code 231) flows to CIFT-620, Page 3, Schedule NRC.

Massachusetts

Credit Manager Schedule for Form MA 355SC filers now activates per newly received instructions.

Form 355U, Line 19, now reports the number of all Federal M-3's being filed by the group.

The Credit Manager Schedule now prints for financial institutions and security corporations.

Pennsylvania

Pennsylvania Form Rev-799 now adjusts to the date of 2/28 for Non-leap years when the fiscal year end of tax entity ends on 2/29.

Texas

Texas 05-164 filing instructions will reflect EFT payments when required.

Wisconsin

Form 6, Part II, Page 6, Line 5 eliminations, equal the Line 3 eliminations minus the Line 40 eliminations. Form 6BL, Column K, Line 30, accumulates pre-2009 net business loss carryforwards from multiple years.

The amount for total additions on Form 6, Part II, Line 2k, includes the amount for federal basis of assets disposed in excess of Wisconsin from Form 6, Part II, Line 2g.

Wisconsin Electronic Filing

Diagnostic 48676 shows the current information for third party designee authorized to discuss the return for electronic filing to assist with clearing the diagnostic.

that is less than zero in any year.				

Diagnostic 48821 was added to disqualify returns with remaining net business loss in Column F of Form 4BL

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A footnote was added to Form 8752 when current year payments were made that reduced the "required payment due" or add to the "refund of net prior year payments."

Georgia

Form 8453S, was revised to have the same Net Worth Return ending date as Form 600s when the Net Worth Ending Date is overridden on Form 600S.

Georgia Electronic Filing

Diagnostic 44230 no longer issues if Form 600S is filed as an initial return.

Idaho

Special Allocation code 14243 now applies to "Bonus Depreciation Addition."

Kentucky

Schedule LLET is used when no Economic Development forms are in the return.

Kentucky Electronic Filing

Disqualifying diagnostic 47164 no longer issues. The rejection covered by this is obsolete.

Louisiana

Estimated tax payments are not be subtracted from Line 4 on Form R-620CRW, Part 2.

Schedule F, Line 3a, Column 1, shows the full federal amount for dividends and Column 2 shows the amount after reduction based on Act 123.

The amount of net operating loss carryforward utilized shows on Line 1C1. Line 1C now shows the amount of total net operating loss carryforward minus any Federal tax refund applicable to the loss.

The Inventory tax credit and Ad Valorem natural gas credit are now included on Schedule RC, Line 10.

Massachusetts

Credit Manager Schedule for Form MA 355SC filers now activates per newly received instructions.

North Carolina Electronic Filing

A diagnostic was created to ensure Schedule A, Line 3, equals Schedule E, Line 2. If Schedule A is being suppressed for any reason, then Schedule E should not be included.

A diagnostic was created to ensure the proper input of the date of the previous NC-NA filing. This helps to produce a valid electronic return.

Wisconsin

In a consolidated return group with Wisconsin requested at the top level, Schedule R produces and fully calculates.

Shareholders appear on Form 1CNS, Composite Return, if the Wisconsin income is overridden on the Federal > Shareholders > Shareholder Information (Detail) > State Information section > Amount 1 field.

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Form 1041. Schedule B calculates without accumulated other income carryovers when switching between a Charitable Remainder Unitrust to a Complex return.

Grantor Letter. State nonresident grantor letters now print in the K-1 copy.

Schedule D. When Section 1202 assets are present and the gain is greater than 10,000,000, the total line on Form 8949 now foots.

Schedule K-1 distributes 1116 information accurately when there is no ordinary income to distribute.

Electronic Filing

Form 1041. Returns are not disqualified if there is a prior year amount for state tax refund but no refund for the current year.

Qualified Funeral Trust

Form 1041-QFT. When the QFT composite tax override amount is less than the calculated tax amount, the overpayment applied to estimate is included on Form 1041-QFT, Line 21a.

Arkansas

Form AR1002F, Schedule A, Line 7a, Question A will be marked Yes when there are short-term capital losses in the month of January 2015 that offset long-term capital gains.

Form AR1002F/AR1002NR, Page 1, Line 4, Column B, Capital gains, includes the amount of capital gains from Form AR ESBT Worksheet, when applicable.

The Arkansas distribution deduction and Schedule K-1 now reflect the 50/55% long-term capital gain exclusion.

California

Form 541, Line 23, Credits, are no longer affected when input to distribute tax credits for the federal return only is entered.

Colorado

An option for part-year resident estate or trust returns was added to Colorado General > Basic Data > Part year estate or trust. This will enable interest, dividends, and pensions to be allocated to Colorado on Schedule E in a part-year resident return.

Georgia

Form 501. Schedule 3, Line 1, Municipal bond interest - other states, is now reduced by direct and indirect interest expense.

Hawaii

Schedule K-1 distributes Excess Deductions on Termination (Line 8a) and Net Operating Loss carryover (Line 8d) to both resident and non-resident beneficiaries for final year returns.

Idaho

PTE-12, Column D, now calculates automatically.

Massachusetts

Total short-term capital gains and losses are reported on Form 2G, Page 1, Lines 6 and 7. The Massachusetts differences are shown on Form 2G, Page 2, Line 13.

Montana

Electronic filing instructions print in the government copy when selected and the return is qualified for electronic filing.

New Jersey

New Jersey no longer includes entries for other state's extension when the return is a partial grantor and New Jersey is a nonresident return.

Other income entered for 1065 passthroughs no longer doubles on the Partnership Worksheet.

Schedule E no longer includes income from other states when the return is a partial grantor and New Jersey is a nonresident return.

New York

IT-205-A, Schedule 2, Column 1, now totals correctly when there is an overall loss.

Schedule K-1 lists deductions on Line 8e for ESBT returns that are final year returns.

The automatic NOL adjustment calculated for principal only are no longer included in Line 65 of Form IT-205.

The Federal Schedule D overflow forms no longer print twice when the option to print all federal attachments is selected.

Oklahoma

An ESBT worksheet was added to show electing small business trust income calculation of tax.

The option to suppress 500-B and 501 now suppressed both forms.

Pennsylvania

When the trust/estate home state is not Pennsylvania and all beneficiaries are non-residents of Pennsylvania, the Schedule DD, Line 1b, equals Schedule N, Line 6.

Rhode Island

Tax exempt from other states now flows to the Rhode Island grantor letter.

South Carolina

ESBT worksheet capital gains calculation now uses the Section 1231 amount in state the column when entered.

Wisconsin

The state extension letter produces when requested.

Utah

The federal copy no longer prints with the Utah government copy.

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An option is available to answer the "increase estate tax liability" question on Form 8971 Schedule A with N for marital and charitable assets and Y for all other assets as default.

New Jersey

New Jersey Federal Worksheet TG, Line 9 Worksheet, Column e, calculates the unused unified credit for 2015 gifts.

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Federal

Custom Filing Instructions. The overpayment credited to estimated tax amount on the State Exempt Organization return now prints on the "Credited to your estimated tax" line.

The 990-T Extension Letter and Filing Instructions electronic filing paragraphs are produced even when Signature Form 8879-EO or Form 8453-EO is not generated and there is input present in General > Letters and Filing Instructions > Transmittal Letter > Due date of electronic filing form code (Return Configuration settings > Electronic Filing options > General > Due date of Electronic Filing form code > "use date with form in federal and state electronic filing paragraphs") .

The Exempt Organization Cover Letter closing paragraph was updated to reflect when the Federal return is being electronically filed.

Electronic Filing - 8868

When an extension is being electronically filed for Form 990-T for an employee trust, the extended time to file date is now correctly shown as 3 1/2 months after the end of the organization's tax year.