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Contact and Support Information

Product and account information can be accessed by visiting Customer Support online at support.cch.com. In addition to product and account information, the Customer Support site offers answers to our most frequently asked questions, forms release status, Knowledge Base articles, training videos, and operating systems compatibility. Access to these features is available 24/7.

The following website provides important information about the features and updates included in all CCH® ProSystem fx® Tax releases: [Release Notes](#)

Visit the [Application Status](#) web page to view the current status of our CCH applications. The Application Status web page is updated every 15 minutes.

Go to [Contact Us](#) to find information on topics such as Sales and Billing, as well as options to Open a Support Case or Chat with a Representative if you need assistance.

Information in Tax Year 2017 Release Notes

Tax Release Notes inform you of the enhancements and updates that have been made to Tax products and systems with the current release.

Updates provided in the Release Notes include the following:

- Contact and Support information
- Updates to the Tax technology (electronic filing updates, Pro Forma/Roll Forward, Organizer, technology enhancements)
- Updates made to Tax products (form additions and updates, diagnostic updates, changes caused by regulatory updates)

Tax News

Caution! Taxpayers Sending Masked Documents to Taxing Authorities

A number of agencies have received estimate and payment vouchers with masked SSNs. To ensure payments are processed in a correct and timely manner, please advise taxpayers to submit the non-masked copies with their payments. Accountant and Taxpayer copies are masked. Only the Government copy includes the SSNs for tax filing.

Tax Updates

Individual


Withholding entered on Nonresident Alien Income Tax > Foreign Partner's Information Statement of Section 1446 Withholding Tax, Foreign Person's U.S. Source Income Subject to Withholding, Payments by the Railroad Retirement Board, Social Security Benefit Statement, and Statement of Withholding on Disp by Foreign Persons of U.S. Real Prop Int. (Interview Forms IRS-1042S, IRS-8288A, IRS-8805, IRS-RRB1042S, and IRS-SSA1042S) carries to Form 1040NR, Page 2, Lines 62b through 62d and is included in the calculation of the tax return.

Corporation

A new feature has been added to our 1120 program. The Tax Cuts and Job Act cuts corporate tax rates to 21% for tax years beginning after December 31, 2017. At this time, it is unclear if the 21% tax rate applies to 2017 fiscal year corporations. Until this is resolved by the IRS, we will continue to use the tiered tax rates for all 1120 return types, but we have added additional information to the drill down screen on Form 1120, Page 3, Line 2. Click on the drill down arrow and you will see the usual detail tax calculation. We have included additional information to this drill down that will show the tax calculation using the 21% tax rate for both a full year 2018 corporate return, and for any fiscal year corporate return. These calculations are strictly informational. We do not use them in the calculation of the return.

Paper Batch Extension Program (Individual, Partnership, Corporation, S Corporation, Fiduciary, and Exempt Organization)

The Batch Extension program is now available for processing multiple extensions. Extensions are processed using the options "Print first extensions" and "Print second extensions" located in Production Processing > Extensions, Estimates & Electronic Filing.

 **Note:** The District of Columbia requires confirmation of the accuracy of prior year (pro forma) data in all systems.

Electronic Filing Updates

The following federal and state products are approved and available on this release:

Individual

Federal Form 114	Connecticut	North Carolina
Alabama LLC	Connecticut Extension	North Carolina Extension
California	Louisiana Extension	Rhode Island
California Extension	Nebraska	

Partnership

Federal Form 114	Maine	Montana
Alaska	Massachusetts	Oklahoma
Idaho	Massachusetts Composite	City of Philadelphia
Illinois	Massachusetts Composite Extension	

Corporation

Federal Form 114	Louisiana Extension	Oregon Consolidated
Federal Consolidated	Maine Consolidated	Rhode Island Consolidated
Alabama CPT	Massachusetts Consolidated	South Carolina Consolidated
Alaska Consolidated	Massachusetts Extension	Texas Consolidated
California Combined	Michigan Consolidated	Utah Consolidated
Colorado Consolidated	Minnesota Consolidated	Vermont Consolidated
Florida Consolidated	Mississippi Consolidated	Virginia Consolidated
Idaho	Missouri Consolidated	West Virginia
Idaho Combined	Montana Consolidated	
Illinois	New Mexico Consolidated	
Iowa Consolidated	New York Combined Extension	
Kansas Consolidated	North Carolina Consolidated	
Louisiana	North Dakota Consolidated	

S Corporation

Federal Form 114	Louisiana Extension	New York City Extension
Idaho	Massachusetts Consolidated	Oklahoma
Illinois	Massachusetts Extension	City of Philadelphia
Kentucky	New York City	
Kentucky Extension	New York City Estimates	

Fiduciary

Federal Form 114	Massachusetts	New Hampshire DP-10
Arkansas	Massachusetts 2G	North Dakota
Arkansas Extension	Massachusetts Extension	
Illinois	Mississippi	

Exempt Organization


Federal Form 114

Employee Benefit Plan

Form 5500-SF

Batch Electronic Filing of Extensions

Batch electronic filing of extensions is available on this release for the taxing authorities listed in the tables below. To process your e-file extensions, go to the e-file section on Production Processing > Extensions, Estimates & Electronic Filing.

 **Note:** Please remember the security requirements for electronically filing extensions. You must enter this information in the return *prior* to running a batch e-file of extensions. Without this information, we will not process the extension. The required information is:

- **1040 returns** - New York requires an affirmative response regarding driver's license, state ID, or No Identification. If an identification is not available, this must be indicated.
- **All systems** - District of Columbia requires confirmation of the accuracy of prior year (pro forma) data.

Individual

Federal	District of Columbia	New York City
Arizona	Louisiana	North Carolina
Arkansas	New Jersey	Pennsylvania
Connecticut	New York	Vermont

Partnership

Federal	Maryland	New York City
Arkansas	New Jersey	Texas
Connecticut	New York	

Corporation

Federal	Kentucky	New Jersey
Connecticut	Maryland	New York
Florida	North Carolina	Texas

S Corporation

Federal	Kentucky	New York
Arkansas	Maryland	Pennsylvania
Connecticut	North Carolina	Texas
Florida	New Jersey	

Fiduciary

Federal

Arizona

Connecticut

Delaware

District of Columbia

New Jersey

New York

Pennsylvania

Tennessee

Texas

Exempt Organization

Federal

New York

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Federal

Form 114. The Explanation of late filing reason if other field is accessible in the 114 (FBAR) / 8938 - Foreign Assets worksheet > Form 114 Late Filing Information section.

Form 8879. When the option to print ERO firm name is selected and a non-paid preparer code for Employee Benefit is used, "Employee Benefit" will print as the ERO signature on Form 8879.

New Jersey

Form 630 is produced when the option to Prepare All State Extensions is requested.

New York

Form IT-370 is produced when the option to Prepare All State Extensions is requested.

New York Electronic Filing

Single taxpayers using a New York ID (not a driver's license) and a valid document ID no longer receive disqualifying Diagnostic 46161.

North Carolina

On the North Carolina Custom Filing Instructions, the withholding amount for the state will present correctly.

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Indiana

The IN Composite - COR will no longer include S Corporation partners. They will be included on the Composite.

Kentucky - Kentucky Cities

The mailing addresses for some jurisdictions have been updated.

Minnesota

Form M3. Installment sales of pass-through assets or interests and corresponding lines on Schedules KPI and KPC should only be completed if the sale occurred after December 31, 2016.

Form Schedule KPI. Line 36 will populate if a signed Form AWC is completed. This line can also be populated through direct input on Partners > Partner Information - State Specific > Minnesota > Form AWC Withholding Options (MN13, Boxes 51 and 53).

New Hampshire

BT Summary, STEP-2. The check box to file the BET Return if exceeding threshold requirements has been adjusted to not include guaranteed payments in the Gross Business Receipts value.

North Carolina Electronic Filing

Form D-403, Part 2. Lines 1 through 14 will remain blank if no apportionment detail is entered and all partners are residents of North Carolina.

Ohio

The IT 4708ES worksheet facsimile form will no longer print with Ohio returns.

Wisconsin

Wisconsin due dates that have changed will be reflected in the letters and filing instructions.

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Federal

A correction has been made when selecting the 2018 tax rate option while in Worksheet View. The program was defaulting to using only one installment but will now default to 4 installments.

Arizona Consolidated

The Arizona consolidated program has been updated to use Single Sales Factor when that option has been chosen.

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Delaware

Delaware Income / Deductions > Apportionment Override > Real and tangible property rented within and without Delaware changed from "end of the year" to "beginning of year." Also, we indicated Real and tangible property rented beginning of year is not an override.

Georgia

Net Worth Tax will not be computed on GA Form 600S, Page 1, Line 7 unless taxable Net Worth is above \$100,000.

Indiana Electronic Filing

When St. Joseph is entered as the Indiana County on General > Basic Data or Indiana > General > Basic Data (Interview Form 1, Box 47 or IN1, Box 30), it will generate the county code 71 on Form IT-20S.

Kentucky - Kentucky Cities

Generic Form OL-S will calculate Lines 10 and 13 of Schedule N correctly.

Minnesota

Schedule KS, Line 7a and Schedule KS, Line 7b will pick up amounts entered for installment sales on Form 6252 if the installment sale date is after 12/31/2016.

New York

A correction was made to use the extension override on the NYC extension form.

South Carolina

Form SC8453C, Part 3. The Paid Preparer's PTIN or FEIN field will populate with the preparer's PTIN, FEIN, or Social Security Number based upon information provided in Office Manager > Configure Applications > Tax Preparation > *Office Group* > Signature Block or the Preparer Information section on General > Return Options > Preparer Information - Overrides Office Manager (Interview Form 3).

Wisconsin

Schedule MA-M. The calculated amount for Line 20 prints on the correct line.

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Federal

The Schedule K-1 will properly reflect the 1250/1250 AMT difference on Line 12E.

Kansas

When taxable income is less than \$5,000, a tax will calculate.

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Federal

Form 706, Line 3b. The state death tax deduction is reduced by New York estate tax attributable to gifts on New York Form ET-706, Schedule D.