CCH Axcess™ Tax
2015-2.2 Release Notes

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Contact and Support Information

Product and account information can be accessed by visiting Customer Support online at Support.CCH.com/Axcess. 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 for each CCH Axcess™ module. Access to these features is available 24/7.

The following Web site provides important information about the features and updates included in all CCH Axcess Tax releases: Release Notes

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Information in Tax Release Notes

CCH Axcess™ Tax Release Notes inform you of the enhancements and updates that were made to Tax products and systems with the current release.

Information provided in the Release Notes include the following:

- Contact and Support information
- Updates to Tax technology (such as, electronic filing updates, Organizer, roll forward, and technology enhancements)
- Updates made to Tax products (such as, form additions and updates, changes in diagnostics, and changes caused by regulatory updates)

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Highlights for Release 2015-2.2

Tax Updates

Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes Act of 2015

On Friday, December 18, 2015, the Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes (PATH), commonly known as "Tax Extenders," was signed into law. Forms affected by PATH are still under review by the IRS, and CCH will continue to use draft versions of these forms until the IRS releases final forms. The IRS has not given any time frame for updating the affected forms, but we are monitoring their actions closely and will release forms as they are finalized. Until then, the affected forms will continue to have the "Reserved" fields.

A diagnostic was updated with Release 2015-2.0 to display when a Reserved field is used. Affected forms are listed below:

1040	5695	8835	8900
1040A	6478	8844	8908
1040NR	6765	8845	8911
4136	8689	8864	1040 Schedule A

For Release 2015-2.2, there are no updates to PATH forms.

Electronic Filing

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

Individual

Federal Extensions (2350 and 4868)	Connecticut Extension	New Jersey Extension
Arizona	District of Columbia Extension	New Mexico
Arizona Extension	Missouri	New York 204-LL
Connecticut	New Jersey	

Partnership

Kansas	New York 204-LL
New Mexico	Vermont

Corporation

Florida	Kansas Consolidated	New York Estimate Payments
Florida Consolidated	New Mexico	Vermont
Florida Extension	New York Extension	Vermont Consolidated
Kansas	New York 204-LL	

S Corporation

Florida	New Mexico	New York Estimate Payments
Florida Extension	New York Extension	Vermont
Kansas	New York 204-LL	

Fiduciary

Arizona Extension	New York	Vermont
New Jersey	New York Extension	Wisconsin
New Jersey Extension	New York 204-LL	

Employee Benefit Plan

Federal Form 5500	Federal Form 5500-SF

Tax Product Updates

Individual (1040) Product Updates

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Federal

Form 1116. We added the following fields to the Foreign Tax Credit > Other worksheet:

- Numerator of the apportionment calculation for SE tax, SE health insurance and keogh deductions - override - taxpayer
- Numerator of the apportionment calculation for SE tax, SE health insurance and keogh deductions - override - spouse
- Denominator of the apportionment calculation for SE tax, SE health insurance and keogh deductions - override - taxpayer
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This change allows you to enter a different value in each field.

Corporation (1120) Product Updates

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Federal

A zero apportionment option was added to the Common State > Allocation and Apportionment Options worksheet. When this option is selected, we assume a zero apportionment factor for any state that has no input on the Common State > Allocation and Apportionment worksheet. This results in zero apportionable taxable income for these states. For this assumption to be made, at least one state must have factor data present on the Common State > Allocation and Apportionment worksheet. If no data is present for any state on these input forms, this option is ignored.

This option is applied on a factor-by-factor basis. For example, if only sales factor data is present for a state, we assume a zero sales apportionment factor for all other states in the return that do not have any sales factor data. However, a zero apportionment factor would not be assumed for any payroll and property factors since no data for these factors are present for any state. When this option is NOT selected, our system default treats all taxable income as taxable to a state if no state factors are present for that particular state on the Allocation and Apportionment worksheet.

This option is for use in a multi-state return. It should not be used when only a single state exists. This option only applies to states and does not apply to city returns.

S Corporation (1120S) Product Updates

Federal

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Fiduciary (1041) Product Updates

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Electronic Filing

Rejection diagostic 44117 now issues when a street address is not entered for related party.

Estate & Gift (706/709) Product Updates

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Federal

Form 709. A date of gift entry of all nines now prints *Various* on the Schedule A.