CCH Axcess™ Tax 2018-6.5 Release Notes

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Product information can be accessed by visiting Customer Support online: CCH Axcess Product Support.

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.

Visit the <u>Application Status</u> Web page to view the current status of our CCH Axcess applications. The Application Status Web page is updated every 15 minutes.

Go to Contact Us to open a Support case or chat with a representative for assistance.

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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)

To access a list of CCH Axcess[™] Tax Release Notes for the current year and for prior years, visit the Release Notes page on our Customer Support site.

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2018 Tax Updates

Individual

Minnesota - Depreciation changes pursuant to recent Minnesota legislation are now available.

2018 Electronic Filing Updates

Employee Benefit Plan

Electronically filed Forms 5500 will no longer be accepted for tax year 2018. Effective January 1, 2021, only two form versions (current year and one year prior) are the active form versions accepted for electronic filing of Form 5500 Series filings. This is a change from previous years in which four form versions were active. Current plan year filings and filings for plan years two years prior and earlier should be submitted using a current year Form 5500 Series form. Filings for the plan year that is one year prior to the current year should be submitted using the Form 5500 Series Form Version that is one year prior to the current year.

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Minnesota

Minnesota Schedule M1M, Lines 3 and 4 for bonus depreciation and federal Section 179 expensing additions have been updated with new worksheets per conformity updates passed by Minnesota in October 2020. Input is available to override step 1 of each worksheet on Minnesota Income/Deductions > Additions > Schedule M1NC override fields. New input has been added for step 3 of the worksheet calculating Schedule M1M, Line 4 on Minnesota Income/Deductions > Additions > Federal Sec 179 Attributable to Assets Received in Sec 1031 Like-kind Exchange field.

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Alaska

Form 6000, Page 1 will print all information on the correct lines. The "net operating loss is waived" check box on Form 6000, Page 1 will fill from General > Federal Elections > 2 - Elections - Carryback is waived for net operating loss or from override on Alaska > General - Carryback is waived for net operating loss.

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Electronic Filing

Effective 1/1/2021, only two Form Versions (current year and one year prior) are the active Form Versions accepted by EFAST2 for electronic filing of Form 5500 Series filings in the Employee Benefit Plan System. This is a change from previous years in which four form versions were active. Current plan year filings and filings for plan years two years prior and earlier should be submitted using a current year Form 5500 Series form. Filings for the plan year that is one year prior to the current year should be submitted using the Form 5500 Series Form Version that is one year prior to the current year. Diagnostic 40002 will issue to alert you that Form Version 2018 is no longer available for electronic filing.

The Form 5500 Version Selection Tool at https://www.askebsa.dol.gov/FormSelector/ can be used to determine which forms you need to complete your filing. In the date field on the Form 5500 Version Selection Tool, enter the beginning date of the plan year for which you are filing; if the plan is a Direct Filing Entity (DFE), enter the last day of the plan year for which you are filing.