# CCH Axcess™ Tax 2020-2.6 Release Notes

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# **Contact and Support Information**

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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.

# Information in Tax Release Notes

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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<sup>™</sup> Tax Release Notes for the current year and for prior years, visit the Release Notes page on our Customer Support site.

# Highlights for Release 2020-2.6

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# Tax Updates

### All Systems

#### **Payment Vouchers**

This year, payment vouchers that are for the taxpayer's records and have the sensitive data masked have included a "Do not file" watermark to prevent their inadvertent filing with the state. These watermarks have been removed for this release. The return will still include masked, taxpayer copies for their records and filing copies for the taxpayer to send to the taxing authority. The watermarks will be added back on a future release.

### Individual

- Form 1040NR electronic filing is activated for standard return filings. However, the IRS recently posted hundreds of new business rules that we are currently assessing and implementing. This may result in unanticipated rejections for returns electronically filed on this release. Our final analysis is in process, and related program changes will be available on February 28, 2021.
- Forms 8995 and 8995-A electronic filing are activated for standard return filings. The instructions for these forms have changed, including the addition of the "QBI Loss Tracking Worksheet." The worksheet is not filed with the IRS, but is for record keeping purposes only. The change also includes guidance on partially allowed/disallowed losses and deductions attributable to QBI. This worksheet and calculation method are currently under development and will be available on a future release.
- Tax Projector updates for tax year 2020 are in process and are projected to be available on February 28, 2021.
- **Tax Equalization** (TEQ) is available with this release. A TEQ version of the Recovery Rebate Worksheet is projected for the February 28, 2021, release.

### **Fiduciary**

#### Correspondence Manager

- State separate transmittal letters will generate when requested.
- Custom Fiduciary transmittal letters correctly include heading and closing paragraphs without requiring any manual updates.

# **Electronic Filing Updates**

### Approved Products Available on this Release

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

#### Individual

California LLC **Ohio Cities** Kentucky Cities - Louisville California LLC Extension New Hampshire BT Summary

Kentucky New York City Form 1127

Corporation

Kentucky - Louisville New Mexico Consolidated **New York City Estimates** 

Louisiana **New York City** New York City Extension

New York City Additional New Mexico New York City Combined

Extension

**S** Corporation

Louisiana

Ohio Georgia **New York City** 

Kentucky - Louisville New York City Estimates Ohio Composite

New York City Additional

Missouri

Extension

**Partnership** 

California District of Columbia Extension **New York City** 

District of Columbia Combined New York City Extension Georgia

New York City Extension

District of Columbia D-30 Kentucky - Louisville Ohio

District of Columbia D-65 Ohio Composite Louisiana

**Fiduciary** 

Ohio Form PTE

**Exempt Organization** 

Florida Virginia

# Batch Electronic Filing of Extensions

Batch electronic filing of extensions is available on this release for the taxing authorities listed below.

To process your e-file extensions, go to Batch Manager > New Job > Electronic Filing > Extensions.

Corporation

Louisiana New York City

**S** Corporation

Louisiana New York City

Partnership

Louisiana New York City

# Tax Product Updates

# Individual (1040) Product Updates

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#### **Federal**

Form 1040. Social security benefits worksheet, Line 6 uses Form 1040, Line 10b.

Form 8283. Lines 2b and 3e now include the Qualified Conservation check box and "how it was acquired" information.

#### Hawaii

Charitable contributions from Federal 1040, Line 10b are now subtracted from Form N-11, Line 21d.

### Hawaii Electronic Filing

Schedule CR is now properly included in the e-file when there are only carryovers on the form. This prevents reject HICR-017-05.

### Indiana

Indiana Form IT40-NOL, Line 1 will be adjusted to match the last line of Form 1045 for any return with PTP income or charitable contributions for non-itemizers.

#### Iowa

Charitable contributions from Federal 1040, Line 10b now show as another adjustment if Iowa itemized deductions are not used.

Form 6251, Line 16 calculates correctly when a Federal Schedule A to claim an increased standard deduction is used.

Input was added for the Broadband Infrastructure Grant and the Iowa Small Business Relief Grant.

### Michigan

Michigan Department of Treasury has granted an automatic waiver and is being granted for all penalty and interest related to estimated taxes owed by individual income taxpayers who received unemployment benefits during tax year 2020. If unemployment compensation and the MI-2210 are present in the return, diagnostic 29245 (starting with release 2020-2.6) will issue indicating that the preparer can suppress the 2210 if necessary or desired on Michigan > Estimates/Underpayments > Underpayment Penalty Preparation > preparation option.

#### Montana

Charitable deductions are reduced by \$300 on Page 7 if taxpayers are itemizing MT and not federal.

### New York - New York City

NYC 202, Part B, Line 1 now shows the amount on Federal Schedule C.

#### North Carolina

NC Schedule A, Line 6 includes contribution carryover amounts from Federal Schedule A, Line 13.

### Ohio

Form SD 100 now includes Van Buren LSD.

### Oregon

Charitable deductions will be reduced when the taxpayer uses the standard deduction at the federal level.

The federal tax subtraction should be reduced by any economic stimulus payment received in 2020.

### Oregon - Multnomah/Portland/TriMet

Text fields on the SP-2020 will now print in all caps per agency specifications.

## Oregon - Multnomah/Portland/TriMet Electronic Filing

If an OR-TM or OR-LTD balance due return is selected to be e-filed and banking information has been entered for that return, the vouchers for that return (OR-TM-V or OR-LTD-V) will no longer be produced.

#### **Tennessee**

Diagnostic 31336 has been replaced with diagnostic 29246, which issues when Obligated Member Entity is selected on Form FAE 183 and a copy of a supporting document is not attached.

Diagnostic 31342 has been replaced with diagnostic 29247, which issues when Qualified Low-Income Community Historic Structure Owner or Lessee is selected on Form FAE 183 and a copy of a supporting document is not attached.

### Virginia Electronic Filing

Diagnostic 40782 issues for all part-year resident returns to prevent reject 760PYINC-010.

# Corporation (1120) Product Updates

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#### **Federal**

Schedule N will be printed when Line 4b is not blank, but other questions are marked "No."

Taxpayers can now elect out of the CARES Act NOL provisions with respect to farm losses. By electing out of these provisions, their 2018 and 2019 NOLs will be subject to the 80% of taxable income limitation. These farm losses can be entered by selecting Code F on Income / Deductions > NOL Carryover / Carryback > SRLY / Section 382 / Farm.

The MN State 4562 now has the same Section 179 limits as the Federal 4562.

### Florida

Schedule II statement showing prior year NOL for will now print if the return has a current year loss on F-1120, Page 1, Line 4.

## Montana Electronic Filing

Disqualifying diagnostic 45215 will require Schedule M for Form CIT, Page 2, Questions H through N.

### Pennsylvania - Philadelphia

BIRT Estimated Payments. Second year filers can elect to make four quarterly estimated payments. To produce the vouchers, please go to Philadelphia > General > 1 - Option > Line 7.

# S Corporation (1120S) Product Updates

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### **Federal**

Schedule N will be printed when Line 4b is not blank but other questions are marked "No."

### Indiana

Caution diagnostic 29223 will no longer issue when a county code is entered for shareholders.

# Kentucky Electronic Filing

Diagnostic 47051 has been removed.

### Maryland

Form 510, Page 2, Lines 7, 8a and 9 will now be blank if income on Lines 6a and 6c is negative.

# Michigan - Michigan Cities

CF 1120, Sch S, Line 1 will now calculate from Federal 1120S ordinary income.

### Pennsylvania

The due date of the REV-276 for Form 20S will print on the Axcess filing instructions.

### **Texas**

Final reports will no longer show July 15th date for calendar year returns.

# Partnership (1065) Product Updates

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#### **Federal**

Schedule M-3, Part II, Lines 7 - 9, Column (a). A new option has been added in Sch L/M > Schedule M-3 > 20. Include passthrough excess business interest expense in income per income statement.

### Kentucky

Form PTE, Line 9 is adjusted to the new 2020 limit for Section 179 deduction of \$100,000.

## Michigan

Form 807 signature block will print in the correct place.

Other subtractions for the Composite Individual Income Tax Return Partner's Information worksheet that are input on the Michigan > Composite Tax > Composite Return > Composite Return Additions and Subtractions worksheet in the Other Subtractions fields will carry to the Partner's Information Worksheet and be allocated either 100% to the member selected or a ratio ID can be used to allocate the amount to the various partners.

### Michigan - Michigan Cities

City of East Lansing

- Footnote will not be printed on multiple lines now.
- K-1 will be printed in the K-1 package.
- CF-1065 Schedule C, Column 7 is coming from Schedule B, Line 11, column now.

#### **New York**

New York IT-204-LL will now show on the direct debit report when entity is a LLC/LLP completing Part 3 of the form.

### Ohio - Ohio Cities

A negative amount entered on OHC > City Detail for separate accounting income is now a valid entry.

Net Operating Loss statements have been updated to correctly reflect the amount of NOL used and carried forward and the amount used on the statement will now match the amount of NOL being deducted on the return.

The filing instructions for the Columbus BR return will now show the amount of overpayment applied to estimates even when estimates are not present in the return.

The NOL will now be limited to taxable income when an amount for NOL entered on Ohio Cities > City Detail exceeds taxable income.

## Pennsylvania - Philadelphia

BIRT Estimated Payments. Second year filers can elect to make four quarterly estimated payments. To produce the vouchers, please go to Philadelphia > General > 8 - BIRT Credits and Payments > Lines 3 - 5.

# Fiduciary (1041) Product Updates

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### **Federal**

Form 2210. The short method is used when four equal timely estimate payments along with dates have been entered for each quarter.

Form 8821. Designee name now prints when preparer codes are used on Other > 2848/8821 - Power of Attorney and Tax Information Authorization > Representatives/ Appointees.

Transmittal Letter. The capitalization for the address to mail Form 706-GS (D-1) to is now mixed case.

#### Iowa

Iowa Prior Year Taxes Paid in Current Year no longer includes amounts from other states.

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# **Electronic Filing**

Disqualifying diagnostics will no longer be issued for EINs that begin with 96.

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### **Federal**

Form 2848. The taxpayer's signature can be printed on Form 2848 by making an entry in Basis Data > General > Print taxpayer signature on Form 2848 field. The date that the taxpayer signed the return will be printed on Form 2848 if the date is entered in Basis Data > General > Taxpayer signature date on Form 2848 field.