



Tax Return Deadlines

Every state and local jurisdiction have tax due deadlines and most offer discounts for those who file their returns on time. When due dates fall on a weekend or holiday, jurisdictions may extend the due dates to the next business day.

When filing online, a taxpayer should be aware that returns may be due by a specified time on their due dates and payments may even be due a business day before the due date (so that they are processed by the bank by the due date).

When mailing a paper return, some jurisdictions require that the return be present in their office by the due date, while most jurisdictions only require proof of mailing on or before the due date. Although many taxpayers have a postage meter on-site, some jurisdictions do not recognize a meter mark on the envelope as proof of timely filing. It is a safer practice to use a stamp when mailing a paper return or even sending large tax payments by Certified Mail.

If a return and payment are not received by the jurisdiction on time, a jurisdiction will assess penalties on the return and/or interest on the tax due amount. Additionally, any discount taken on the submitted return will be owed as an underpayment of tax liability. In this case, the jurisdiction may mail the taxpayer a notice or post a balance due on their efile system.

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