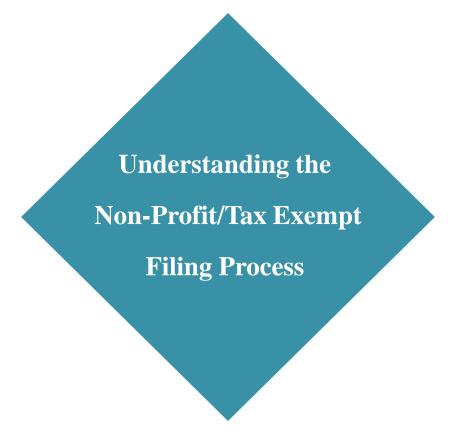
How to File for Non-Profit /Tax Exempt Status







Why Become A Tax Exempt 501(c)(5)?

- Tax-exempt (Non-Profit) organizations do not pay federal income taxes on revenue in excess of expenses
- May not be required to pay State income taxes
- Most financial institutions waive banking fees
- IRS Form 990, 990-EZ or 990-N (*ePostcard*) may be simpler than annual *Corporate* Form 1120 or *Partnership* Form 1065, K-1 and Schedule E
- If you do not choose to become tax-exempt then consider election as corporation over partnership



General Tax Exempt 501(c)(5) Information

 Majority of states do not allow 501(c)(5) tax-exempt organizations to avoid paying state sales tax (check respective State rules)

Some state laws, Non-Profit organization may not be sued

• Tax Exempt 501(c)(5) organizations do not allow for tax deduction contributions

 There is a cost to file for non-profit/tax exemption: \$600



Tax Exempt 501(c)(5) Responsibilities

- Prior to 2007, tax filing was not mandated for most non-profit organizations
- In 2007, IRS law changed. Every non-profit organization had to file a 990 tax return for 3 consecutive years
- A non-profit (tax-exempt) organization that failed to file the required IRS 990, 990-EZ, 990-N (*e-Postcard*) for three consecutive years <u>automatically lost its tax-exempt</u> <u>status</u>
- After December 31, 2012 must reapply for non-profit



Tax Exempt/Non-Profit Filing Where to Start?

- 1. Confirm NAPS branch has an Employer Identification Number (EIN)
- 2. No EIN, Request from IRS before proceeding
- 3. If EIN, verify NAPS Branch's Tax Exempt Status
- 4. If not, Tax-Exempt, apply for non-profit status
- 5. Prepare branch documents including financials for Tax Exempt/Non-Profit filing with IRS
- 6. Complete & Submit IRS Tax Exempt/Non-Profit tax applications (IRS Form 1024 & 8718)
- 7. Pay Non-Profit User Fee of \$600
- 8. Retain Tax-Exempt/Non-Profit Documentation
- 9. File Tax Exempt Taxes (990, 990-EZ or 990-N (ePostcard)



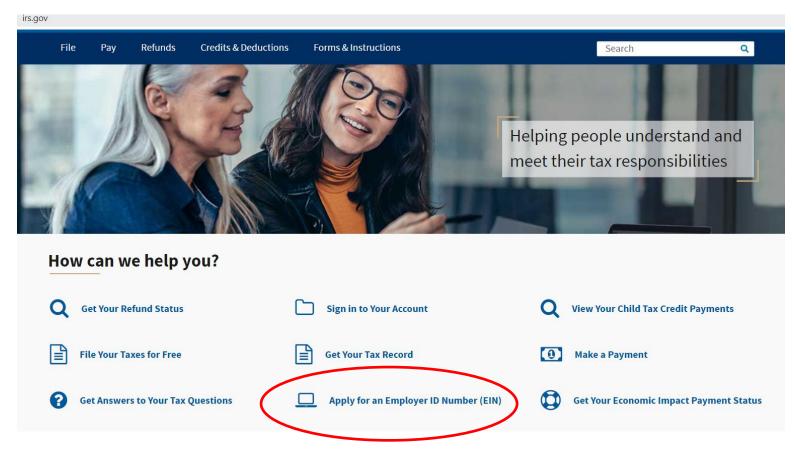
Tax Exempt/Non-Profit Filing Getting Started!

- Request an <u>Employer Identification Number (EIN)</u> if branch does not already have one
- SS-4 Application for Federal Employer Identification Number (EIN). May be requested online at www.irs.gov. Simplest way
- Free service offered by the Internal Revenue Service
- Check with **your state** if branch needs state number or charter
- In the IRS "search" type *EIN SS4*. Follow the instructions to apply on-line for EIN
 - May also apply by mail—a longer process

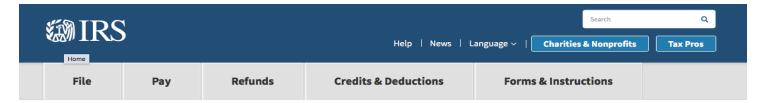


Filing for Non-Profit/Tax Exempt Status Requesting an EIN

www.irs.gov







Home > File > Businesses and Self-Employed > Small Business and Self-Employed > Employer ID Numbers

> Apply for an Employer Identification Number EIN Online

Apply for an Employer Identification Number (EIN) Online

English Español



Hours of Operation

Monday to Friday, 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.

Step 1: Determine Your Eligibility

- You may apply for an EIN online if your principal business is located in the United States or U.S. Territories.
- The person applying online must have a valid Taxpayer Identification Number (SSN, ITIN, EIN).
- You are limited to one EIN per responsible party per day.
 - The "responsible party" is the person who ultimately owns or controls the entity or who exercises ultimate effective control over the entity. Unless the applicant is a government entity, the responsible party must be an individual (i.e., a natural person), not an entity.

Step 2: Understand the Online Application

- You must complete this application in one session, as you will not be able to save and return at a later time.
- Your session will expire after 15 minutes of inactivity, and you will need to start
 over.

Step 3: Submit Your Application

 After all validations are done you will get your EIN immediately upon completion. You can then download, save, and print your EIN confirmation notice.

Apply Online Now

Government Entities

Corporations

Related Topics

- State and Federal Online Business Registration
- Online EIN Frequently Asked Questions
- Employer ID Numbers
- System Requirements
- Privacy Act Statement and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice
- Businesses with Employees





Help | Apply for New EIN | Exit

EIN Assistant

Important Information Before You Begin

Use this assistant to apply for and obtain an Employer Identification Number (EIN). Do I need an EIN? Do I need a new EIN?

For help or additional information on any topic, click the underlined key words, or view Help Topics on the right side of the screen. Make sure that pop-ups are allowed from this site.

About the EIN Assistant

- You must complete this application in one session, as you will not be able to save and return at a later time.
- For security purposes, your session will expire after 15 minutes of inactivity, and you will need to start over.
- You will receive your EIN immediately upon verification. When will I be able to use my EIN?
- If you wish to receive your confirmation letter online, we strongly recommended that you install <u>Adobe Reader</u> before beginning the application if it is not already installed.

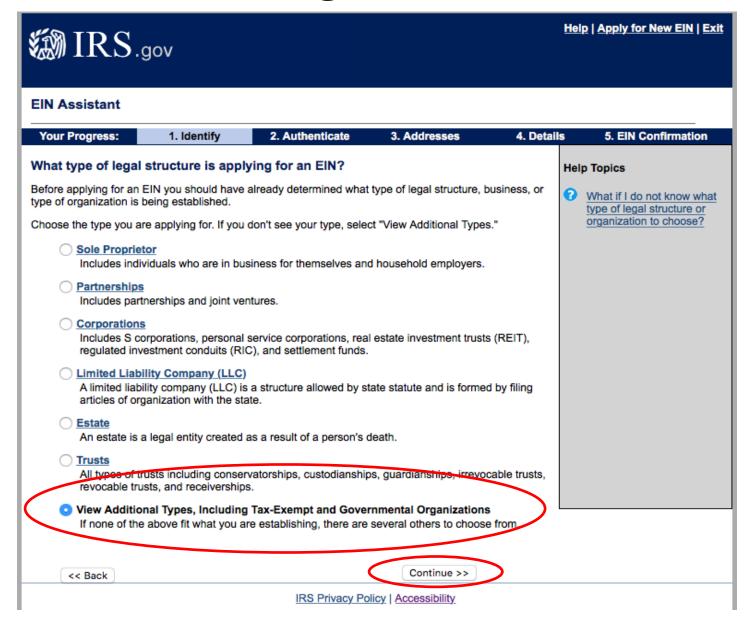
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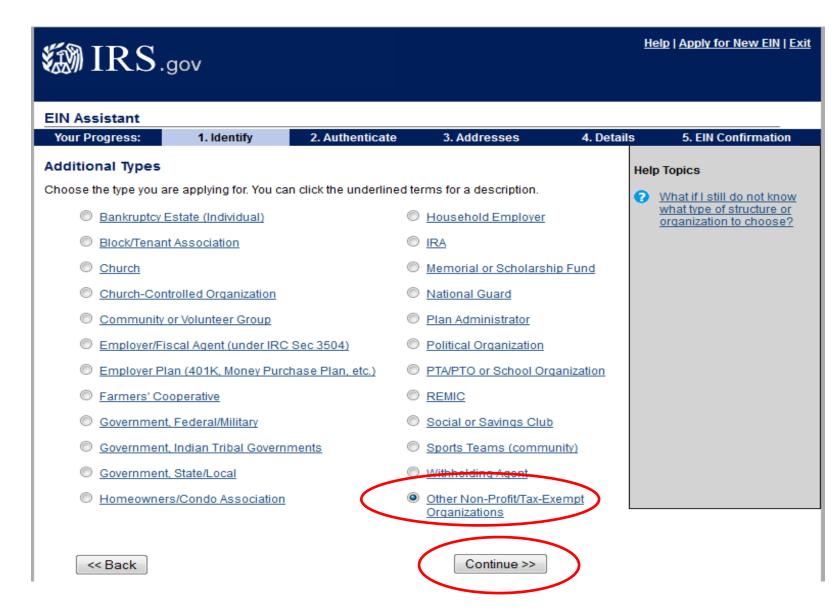
- Effective May 21, 2012, to ensure fair and equitable treatment for all taxpayers, the Internal Revenue Service will limit Employer Identification Number (EIN) issuance to one per <u>responsible party</u> per day. This limitation is applicable to all requests for EINs whether online or by phone, fax or mail. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.
- If a third party designee (TPD) is completing the online application on behalf of the taxpayer, the taxpayer must <u>authorize the third party</u> to apply for and receive the EIN on his or her behalf.
- The business location must be within the United States or <u>U.S. territories</u>.
- Foreign filers without an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) cannot use this assistant to obtain an EIN.
- If you were incorporated outside of the United States or the U.S. territories, you cannot apply for an EIN online. Please call us at 267-941-1099 (this is not a toll free number).

Begin Application >>

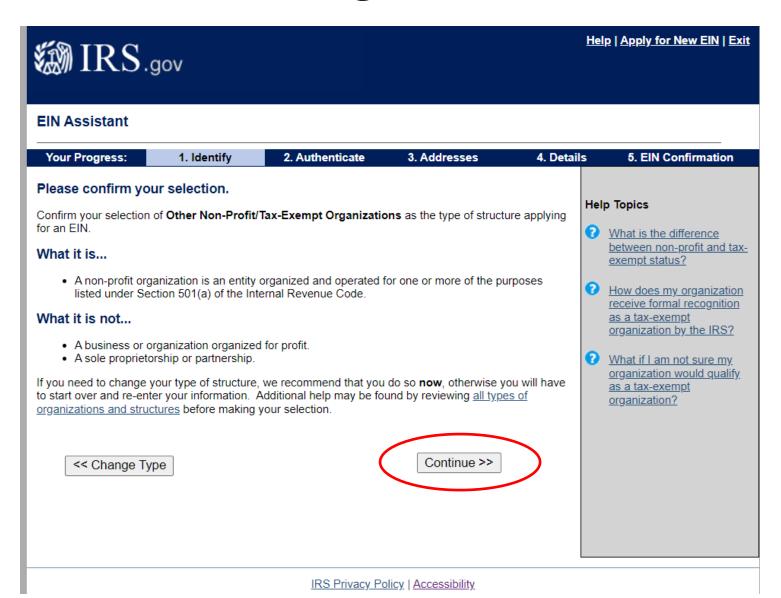
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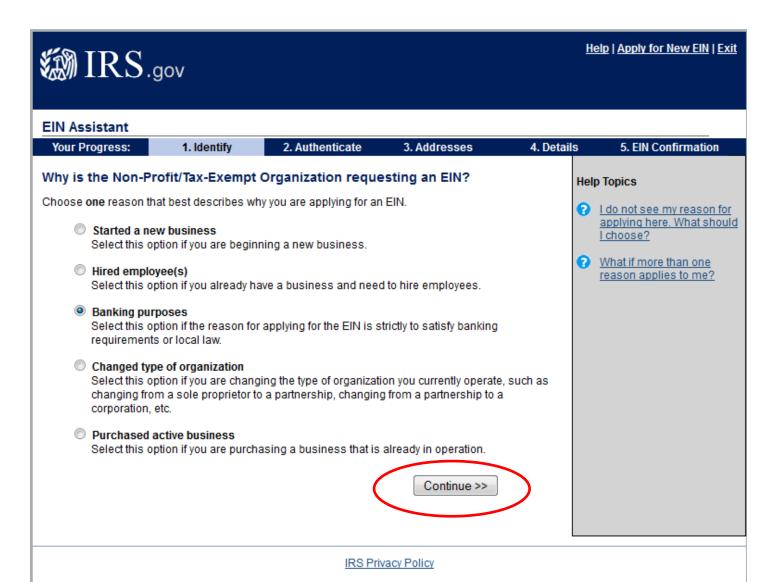








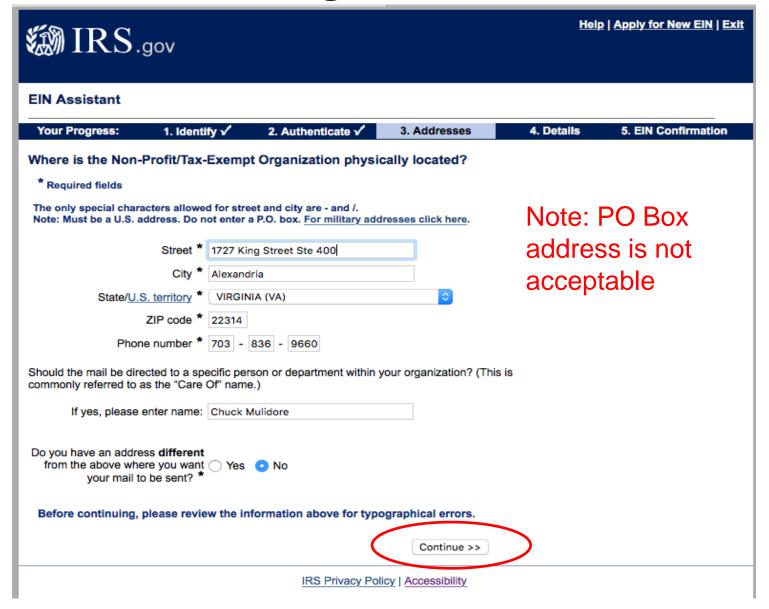




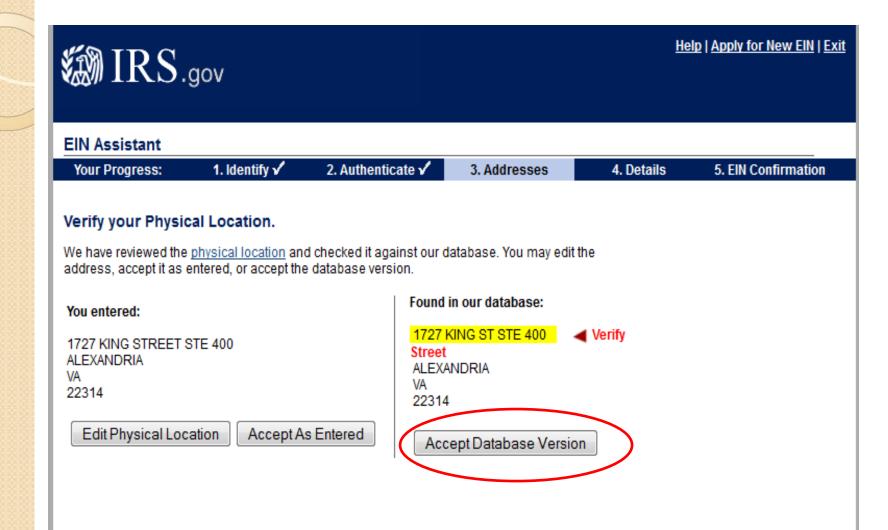


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EIN Assistant				
Your Progress: 1. Identify ✓	2. Authenticate 3. Add	esses	4. Details	5. EIN Confirmation
Please tell us about the Responsit	ole Party.			
* Required fields Must match IRS records or this application The only punctuation and special characte	cannot be processed. rs allowed are hyphen (-) and ampersa	nd (&).		
First name *	Brian]		
Middle name/initial	J]		
Last name *	Wagner]		
Suffix (Jr, Sr, etc.)	Select One V			
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Choose One: * I am a responsible and duly authorize affairs.	d <u>member</u> or <u>officer</u> having knowledge	of this organizat	ion's	
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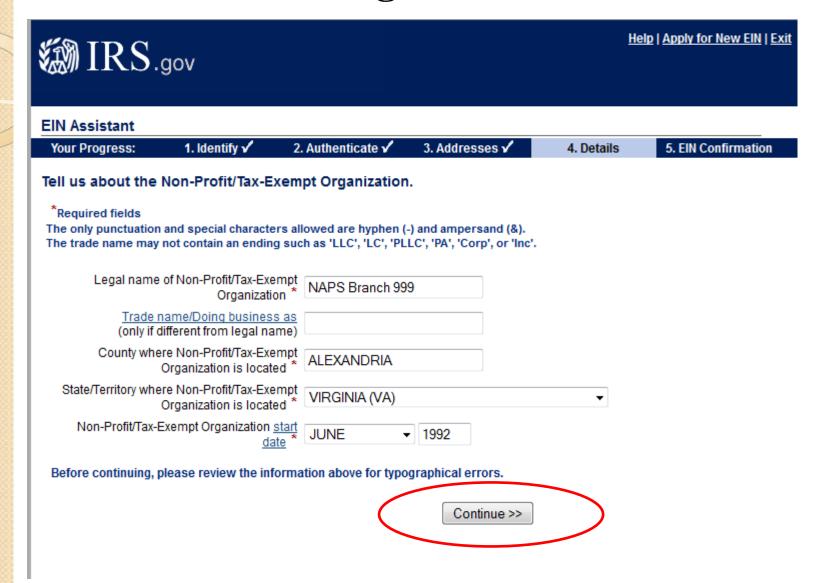




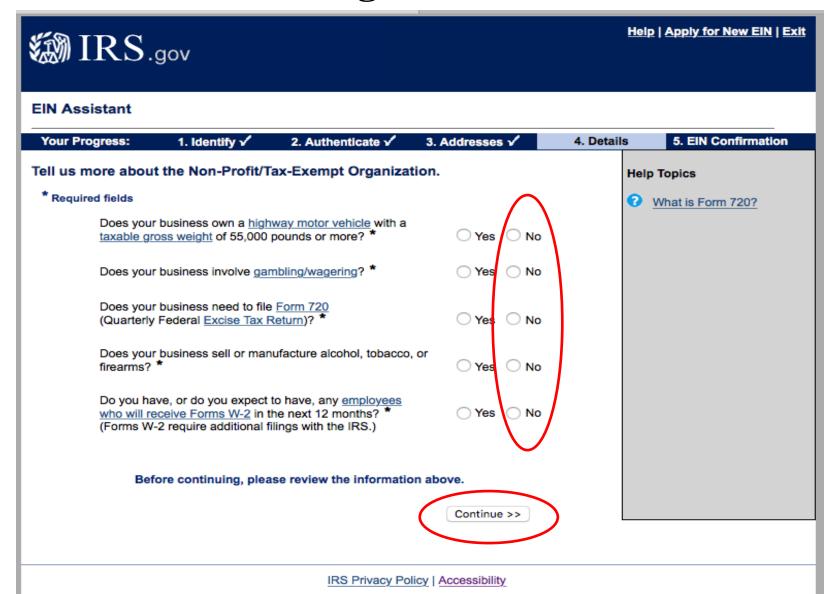








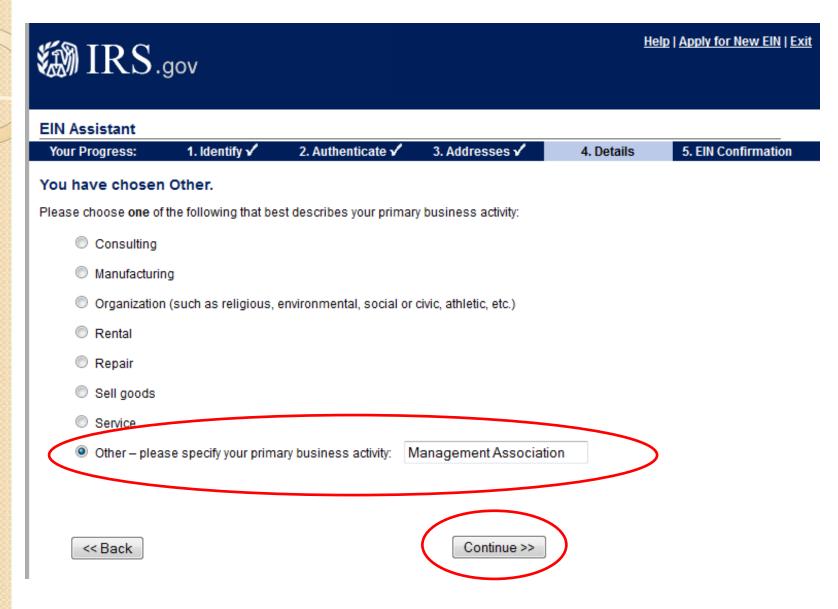




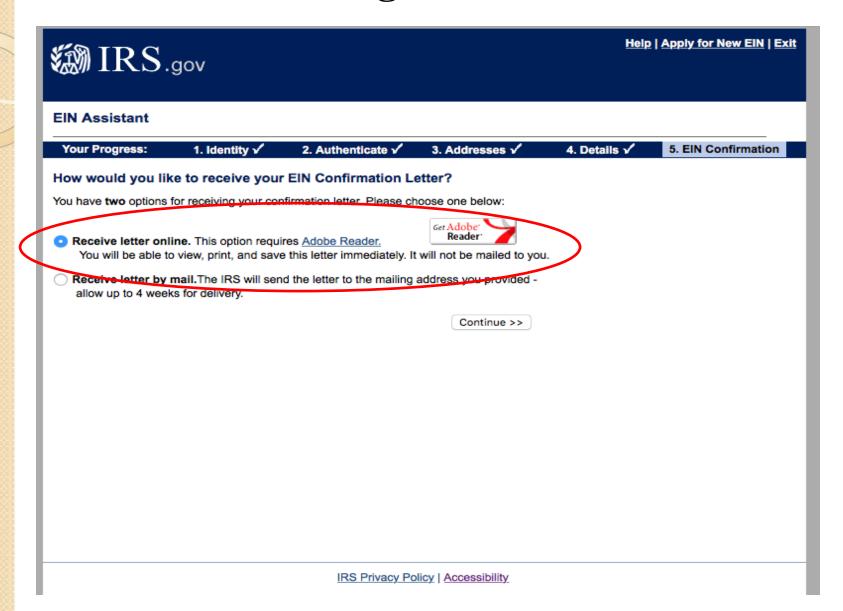


Food Service Retail fast food, restaurant, bar, coffee shop, catering, or mobile food service.
Health Care Doctor, mental health specialist, hospital, or outpatient care center.
Insurance Insurance company or broker.
 Manufacturing Mechanical, physical, or chemical transformation of materials/substances/components into new products, including the assembly of components.
Real Estate Renting or leasing real estate, managing real estate, real estate agent/broker, selling, buying, or renting real estate for others.
Rental & Leasing Rent/lease automobiles, consumer goods, commercial goods, or industrial goods.
Retail Retail store, internet sales (exclusively), direct sales (catalogue, mail-order, door to door), auction house, or selling goods on auction sites.
 Social Assistance Youth services, residential care facility, services for the disabled, or community food/housing/ relief services.
<u>Transportation</u> Air transportation, rail transportation, water transportation, trucking, passenger transportation, support activity for transportation, or delivery/courier service.
Warehousing Operating warehousing or storage facilities for general merchandise, refrigerated goods, or other warehouse products; establishments that provide facilities to store goods but do not sell the goods they handle
Wholesale Wholesale agent/broker, importer, exporter, manufacturers' representative, merchant, distributor, or jobber.
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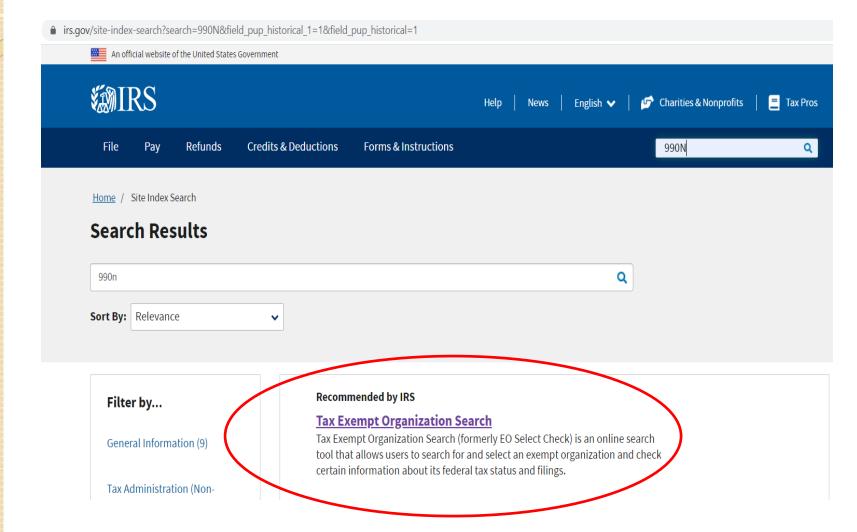


Do you know your NAPS Branch Tax Status?





Understanding Branch Taxes How to check for Tax Exempt Status





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Data Updates Delayed

Expect delays in data updates for the Tax-Exempt Organization Search tool. We are still processing 990 series received April 2020 and later.

System Limitations Cause Some Inaccurate Revocation Dates

Organizations on the auto-revocation list with a revocation date between April 1 and July 14, 2020, should have a revocation date of July 15, 2020. See <u>Revocation Date of Certain Organizations</u> for details.

Find information about an organization's tax-exempt status and filings. You can use the online search tool or download specific data sets.

Tax Exempt Organization Search Tool

You can check an organization's eligibility to receive tax-deductible charitable contributions (Pub 78 Data). You can also search for information about an organization's tax exempt status and filings:

- · Form 990 Series Returns
- Form 990-N (e-Postcard)
- Pub. 78 Data
- · Automatic Revocation of Exemption List
- · Determination Letters



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Search for Tax Exempt Organizations

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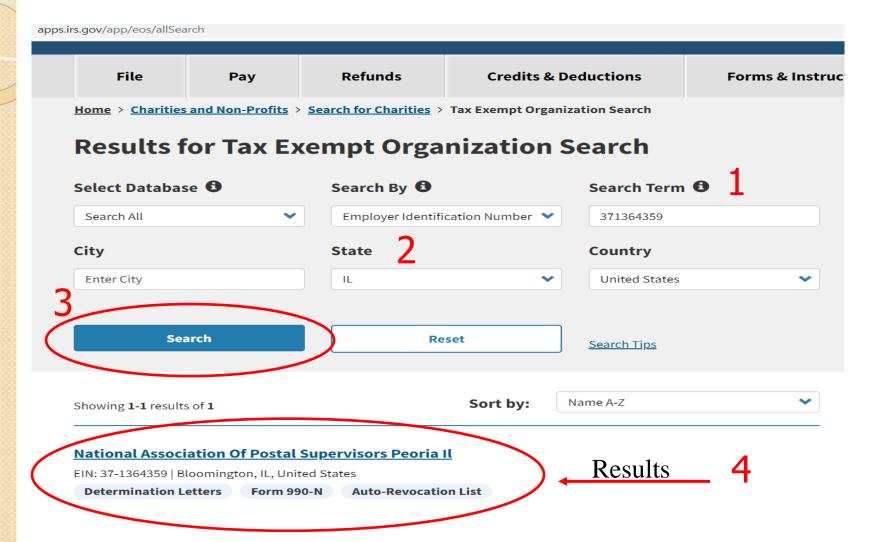
The Tax Exempt Organization Search Tool

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- Eligibility to receive tax-deductible charitable contributions
- Review information about the organization's tax-exempt status and filings.

Search for Tax Exempt Organizations







Filing for Non-Profit/Tax Exempt Status Don't Panic. Get Started! How?

- Establish Branch Fiscal Year & Accounting Method
- Manage Branch Records
- Do financial audits & reports
- Keep Branch Minutes
- Retain Branch Records
- Establish/update Branch Constitution & Bylaws







Establish a Branch Fiscal Year

- Most NAPS branches maintain their records on a Calendar Year Basis
 - January 1 thru December 31

Note NAPS HQ FY is: June 1 to May 31



- Once FY is selected do not change it
- Most NAPS branches maintain their records on a Cash Method of Accounting
 - Income received & expenses paid



Filing for Non-Profit/Tax Exempt Status Accounting Methods

 Organizations may file annual returns on a Calendar Year basis or a Fiscal Year basis

 Organization may maintain their books and records on a Cash Method or an Accrual Method

• Cash Method – record income when received and expenses when paid

 Accrual Method – record income when earned and expenses when incurred





Managing Branch Records

Maintain the following records on a manual general ledger or a computer accounting Program like Quickbooks:

- Gross Receipts (NAPS DCO Deposits)
- Items Purchased for Resale
- Expenses
- Employment Tax Records
- Assets
- Liabilities





Filing for Non-Profit/Tax Exempt Status Information Necessary to File for Exemption

• Current 'Year to Date' general ledger or financial report for NAPS Branch

 Three prior years of general ledger or financial report for NAPS Branch

Bank Re	conciliation Statement			
Cash Bal	ance as per Bank Statement	\$	23,557.98	\$ 23,557.98
Adjustm	ents:			
Add:	Deposit in Transit on January 31	\$	12,125.25	\$ 12,125.25
Deduct:	Outstanding Check No.124	\$	-62.00	\$ -62.00
	Outstanding Check No.125	\$	-42.00	\$ -24.00
	Outstanding Check No.129	\$	-1,250.00	\$ -1,250.00
Adjuste	d Balance	\$	34,329.23	\$ 34,347.23
Cash Bal	ance according to Murdstone, Inc.	\$	51,596.88	\$ 51,596.88
Adjustm	ents:			
Add:	Note and Interest collected by Bank	\$	15,250.75	\$ 15,250.75
Deduct:	Check returned because of insufficient fu	nds \$	-23,475.40	\$ -23,475.40
	Bank Service Charge	\$	-250.00	\$ -25.00
	Error in recording Check No. 123	\$	-9,000.00	\$ -9,000.00
Adjuste	d Balance	\$	34,122.23	\$ 34,347.23

Assets – Funds in Banks, Petty
Cash, Investments, Fixed Assets (Value of Buildings,
Vehicles, Furniture or Equipment, etc)

• Liabilities – Money owed on debts or loans, etc.



Filing for Non-Profit/Tax Exempt Status Information Necessary to File for Tax Exemption

- "In Care Of" person for tax matters
- Address for future correspondence of the organization (PO Box not acceptable)
- All NAPS Branch Officers Name, Address, Phone, Title, Annual Pay, Estimated Hours per week spent on NAPS activities
- Dated copy of the current Constitution and Bylaws of the NAPS Branch



Filing for Non-Profit/Tax Exempt Status Information Necessary to File for Tax Exemption

- Dated copy of two previous newsletters of the NAPS Branch (If the branch prints a newsletter)
- Dated copy of the minutes of two previous meetings of the NAPS Branch (If no newsletter is published)
- Date the NAPS branch was formed or started

(If not known contact NAPS HQ)





Filing for Non-Profit/Tax Exempt Status Where to Start? Second

IRS Form 1024 – Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501 Available on-line

- 18 page Form
- Complete only Pages 1 thru 5 & 9
- NAPS HQ template available
- Mail all 18 pages
- NAPS HQ helpful instructions at <u>www.naps.org</u>

Form 8718 — *User Fee for Exempt Organizations*Available on-line



IRS Form 1024

Form **1024**

(Rev. September 1998)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(a)

OMB No. 1545-0057

If exempt status is approved, this application will be open for public inspection.

Read the instructions for each Part carefully. **A User Fee must be attached to this application.**If the required information and appropriate documents are not submitted along with Form 8718 (with payment of the appropriate user fee), the application may be returned to the organization.

Complete the Procedural Checklist on page 6 of the instructions.

Part I. Identification of Applicant (Must be completed by all applicants; also complete appropriate schedule.)
Submit only the schedule that applies to your organization. Do not submit blank schedules.

Check the appropriate box below to indicate the section under which the organization is applying:

- a Section 501(c)(2)—Title holding corporations (Schedule A, page 7)
- Section 501(c)(4)—Civic leagues, social welfare organizations (including certain war veterans' organizations), or local associations of employees (Schedule B, page 8)
- c ✓ Section 501(c)(5)—Labor, agricultural, or horticultural organizations (Schedule C, page 9)
- 18 page Form
- Complete only Pages 1 thru 5 & 9
- NAPS HQ template available that is 85% completed for branches
- Mail all 18 pages
- NAPS HQ helpful instructions at <u>www.naps.org</u>



Filing for Non-Profit/Tax Exempt Status Branch Completes Form 8718

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(Rev. November 2021)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

User Fee for Exempt Organization Determination Letter Request

► Attach this form to determination letter application. (Form 8718 is NOT a determination letter application.)

► Go to www.irs.gov/Form8718 for the latest information.

	OMB No. 1545-0047
For IRS	Control number
Use	Amount paid
Only	User fee screener

Name of organization

NAME OF NAPS BRANCH HERE

Employer Identification Number

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Caution: Do not attach Form 8718 to an application for a pension plan determination letter. Use Form 8717 instead.

1	Type of request	ree		
a 🗸	Application for recognition of exemption under section 501 or under section 521 from organizations (other than pension, profit-sharing, and stock bonus plans described in			
	section 401). Enter the applicable fee amount	600.00		

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code, unless otherwise noted.

Group exemption letters

Instructions

The law requires payment of a user fee with each application for a determination letter. For more information, see Rev. Proc. 2021-5, 2021-1 I.R.B. 250, or latest annual update, available on www.irs.gov.

Where To File

Send the determination letter application and Form 8718 to:

Internal Revenue Service TE/GE Stop 31A Team 105 P.O. Box 12192 Covington, KY 41012-0192

Who Should File

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. Generally, tax returns and return information are



Filing for Non-Profit/Tax Exempt Status Where to Start? Third

- Mail IRS Forms 1024 & 8718 & supporting documentation
 - Copy of Branch current Constitution & Bylaws
 - Copy of your Branch Articles of Incorporation (*If applicable*)
 - Copies of Branch Revenue & Expense Statements (Current Fiscal Year & past 3 years. (Matches Page 5/Form 1024)
 - Copy of minutes from 2 recent branch meetings
 - Copy of Branch newsletter (If applicable)
- Sign and date forms by an officer of the organization
- Mail Check/Money Order for *User Fee* payable \$600 to:
 <u>United States Treasury</u>



Mail Branch Tax Exempt Documents and IRS Forms to:



The form you are looking for begins on the next page of this file. Before viewing it, please see the important update information below.

New Mailing Address

The mailing address for certain forms have change since the forms were last published. The new mailing address are shown below.

Mailing Address for Forms 1023, 1024, 1024-A, 1028, 5300, 5307, 5310, 5310-A, 5316, 8717, 8718, 8940:

Internal Revenue Service TE/GE Stop 31A Team 105 P.O. Box 12192 Covington, KY 41012–0192

Deliveries by private delivery service (PDS) should be made to:

Internal Revenue Service 7940 Kentucky Drive TE/GE Stop 31A Team 105 Florence, KY 41042

This update supplements these forms' instructions. Filers should rely on this update for the change described, which will be incorporated into the next revision of the form's instructions.



Once approved 501(c)(5) *Tax-Exempt/Non-Profit*

- File Non-Profit Income Taxes 990, 990E-Z, 990-N at end of Fiscal Year! (See separated NAPS Presentation on filing branch taxes)
- Permanently maintain following records:
 - Applications for Tax Exempt Status and Federal Identification Numbers
 - Determination Letter recognizing the Organizations Tax Exemption Status from IRS and State Agencies
 - Organizations Constitution and Bylaws, including amendments or updates
- See NAPS Officers Training Manual (OTM) for Chapter 3 Figure 3-3, (*Page 22*) for list and timeline of branch records to retain



NAPS HQ recommends each branch contact a tax professional for all complicated non-profit or tax issues related to filing annual branch taxes.



Contact NAPS HQ at napshq@naps.org or at (703) 836-9660

For additional assistance on this topic.



Thank You!



Questions?

