MAINE TAX ALERT



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MRS Rulemaking Activity

Rule 813, "Property Tax Fairness Credit." MRS is proposing to amend Rule 813 to reflect a recent law change that makes property tax payments made on behalf of a taxpayer by the State through the reinstated Elderly Tax Deferral Program to be eligible for the credit and to reflect that married taxpayers filing separately are not eligible for the credit.

The proposed changes can be found on MRS's website, at www.maine.gov/revenue/publications/rules, under "Current MRS Rulemaking Activity." Comments on these proposed changes are due by April 15, 2022, and must be directed to Alex Weber, General Counsel of MRS either by email at alexander.j.weber@maine.gov or by mail at P.O. Box 1060, Augusta, ME 04332-1060.

MRS Reminder - The Maine Tax Portal ("MTP") Is Here!

Sign up for one of Maine Revenue Services' FREE Webinars to learn how to:

- Register and log in to the MTP
- Use the interface features
- Make payments and set up payment plans
- File a tax return electronically

A Q&A period will follow each session

Session 1:

- <u>Taxes</u>: Health Care Provider, Potato, Marijuana Excise
- 2022 Dates/Time: <u>Thursdays (9am-10:30am) 3/31, 4/14, 4/28</u>

Session 2:

- <u>Taxes</u>: Corporate Income, Franchise, Insurance Premiums, Fire Investigations, Non-Admitted Premiums, Estate
- 2022 Dates/Time: <u>Thursdays (9am-10:30am) 3/24, 4/7, 4/21</u>

Register today at: www.maine.gov/revenue/portal.

Careers and Internships at MRS

MRS' mission is to fairly and efficiently administer the State's tax laws with integrity and professionalism.

MRS is looking for smart, motivated, and team-oriented people to join our team. Benefits include:

- Qualifying employer for federal student-loan forgiveness
- Tuition reimbursement for continuing education (including CPA exam)
- Public service
- Competitive salary
- MainePERS retirement plan and deferred compensation
- Generous insurance and paid leave (including all state holidays)
- Flexible spending accounts and longevity pay
- Gym membership reimbursement

Regularly posted, full-time positions at MRS include the Tax Examiner and Revenue Agent positions.

Click the following link for more information about careers and paid internships and to sign up to receive notifications of new MRS job openings: www.maine.gov/revenue/careers.

Fraud Alert

If you believe you are a victim of identity theft or that a breach of personally identifiable information has occurred, contact MRS at (207) 624-7658 or email fraudalert.mrs@maine.gov as soon as possible. Timely notification assists MRS in preventing fraudulent tax refunds.

<u>Department</u>	Telephone Numbers	FAX Numbers	E-mail Addresses
Taxpayer Contact Center	(207) 624-9784	(207) 287-6975	taxpayerassist@maine.gov
Central Registration	(207) 624-9784	(207) 287-6975	taxpayerassist@maine.gov
Collections & Compliance	(207) 624-9595	(207) 287-6627	compliance.tax@maine.gov
Corporate Tax	(207) 624-9670	(207) 624-9694	corporate.tax@maine.gov
E-file Help Desk (1040 ONLY)	(207) 624-9730	(207) 287-6628	efile.helpdesk@maine.gov
Electronic Funds Transfer	(207) 624-5625	(207) 287-3618	efunds.transfer@maine.gov
Estate & Fiduciary Tax	(207) 626-8480	(207) 624-9694	estatetax@maine.gov
Fuel & Special Taxes	(207) 624-9609	(207) 287-6628	fuel.tax@maine.gov
Forms Request Line	(207) 624-7894		
Individual Income Tax Assistance	(207) 626-8475	(207) 624-9694	income.tax@maine.gov
Insurance Premium Tax	(207) 624-9753	(207) 624-9694	
NexTalk (TTY Service)	(888) 577-6690		
Payment Plan/Income Tax	(207) 621-4300	(207) 621-4328	compliance.tax@maine.gov
Payment Plan/Other	(207) 624-9595	(207) 287-6627	compliance.tax@maine.gov
Practitioners' Hotline	(207) 626-8458	(207) 624-9694	
Property Tax	(207) 624-5600	(207) 287-6396	prop.tax@maine.gov
Public Communications	(207) 626-8478	(207) 624-9694	
Sales Tax	(207) 624-9693	(207) 287-6628	sales.tax@maine.gov
Tax Clearance Letters	(207) 624-9595	(207) 287-6627	
Office of Tax Policy	(207) 624-9677	(207) 287-3618	
Taxpayer Advocate	(207) 624-9649	(207) 287-3618	taxpayer.advocate@maine.gov
Withholding Tax	(207) 626-8475	(207) 624-9694	withholding.tax@maine.gov
Tax Violations Hot Line	(207) 624-9600		
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Suggestions for the Tax Alert?

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