# **MAINE TAX ALERT**



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## The New Maine Tax Portal Is Now Available

Maine Revenue Services is pleased to announce that the Maine Tax Portal has been implemented and is now available for use by taxpayers and tax professionals for the following tax types:

- Corporate Income Tax
- Franchise Tax
- Insurance Premiums Taxes (including Fire and Non-Admitted Premiums)
- Estate Tax
- Health Care Provider Tax
- Blueberry, Potato, Mahogany Quahog, and Railroad Excise Taxes
- Marijuana Excise Tax

The Maine Tax Portal provides improved functionality that enables online filing and allows taxpayers and practitioners to make online payments, view bills and notices, and perform account maintenance activities, such as adding or removing addresses and closing an account. Please review full instructions here.

#### **Tax Professionals Can Utilize Maine Tax Portal**

Tax Professionals can <u>view instructions to create an online account</u> or <u>request access to client accounts</u>. Additionally, the following resources are available at <u>Maine.gov/Revenue/Portal</u> and further explain third-party setup and access:

- A recording of the October 1, 2021 webinar that provides an overview of the Maine Tax Portal and a demonstration of specific functions; the demonstration includes setup of third-party access, such as taxpayer authorization.
- FAQs
- MTP Help: This provides "how to" information on MTP functions (this section is also accessible from within the Maine Tax Portal).

Over the coming months, we will answer additional frequently asked questions and update the rollout schedule for all other tax types at Maine.gov/Revenue/Portal.

During the transition and beyond, we will continue to support those who elect to file paper returns, make payments by check, or correspond via the U.S. Postal Service. We will also continue to support Modernized E-File (MeF).

Any questions about the Maine Tax Portal can be submitted to taxpayerassist@maine.gov with

"MTP" in the subject line.

#### **Careers at MRS**

The mission of MRS is to fairly and efficiently administer the tax laws of the State of Maine, while maintaining the highest degree of integrity and professionalism.

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

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

Regularly posted, full-time positions at MRS include the Tax Examiner and Revenue Agent positions. Click the following link for more information about these positions: <a href="https://apps.web.maine.gov/cgi-bin/bhrsalary/jobs.pl">https://apps.web.maine.gov/cgi-bin/bhrsalary/jobs.pl</a>.

If you are interested in building your career with MRS, please sign up to receive notifications of new MRS job openings here: <a href="https://portal.maine.gov/taxalert/careers">https://portal.maine.gov/taxalert/careers</a>.

Current job openings at MRS are listed here: <u>www.maine.gov/revenue/about/careeropportunities</u>.

### **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 <a href="maintenance.gov">fraudalert.mrs@maine.gov</a> as soon as possible. Timely notification assists MRS in preventing fraudulent tax refunds.

<b>Department</b>	<b>Telephone Numbers</b>	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
<b>Electronic Funds Transfer</b>	(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
<b>Insurance Premium Tax</b>	(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
<b>Public Communications</b>	(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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