QuickAlerts Messages November 2024

QuickAlerts–November 01, 2024

Subject: 1040 Modernized e-File (MeF) Production Shutdown

1040 MeF Production Shutdown Schedule

Shutdown begins on Saturday, November 30, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. Eastern time, to prepare the system for the upcoming Tax Year 2024 Filing Season.

Important Note: Only "Send Submissions" for 1040 (both State and Federal) will be affected by this shutdown, all other services such as "Get Acks" and all state services will not be affected by the shutdown and users should be able to continue to use those services.

Shutdown Deadlines on Saturday, November 30, 2024

Transmitters:

Transmitting 1040 Submissions (State & Federal) 11:59 p.m. Eastern time.

Important Note: Business (BMF) returns are not impacted by this IMF Production Shutdown schedule.

The BMF Production Shutdown schedule will be communicated in a QuickAlerts bulletin, outlining the exact timeframes, in early December and the times will be posted on the MeF Operational Status page.

Please monitor the [MeF Operational Status](#) page for any updates. We apologize for any inconveniences and thank you for your cooperation.

QuickAlerts–November 06, 2024

Subject: Secure Object Repository (SOR) Maintenance

Attention: e-Services Users

Maintenance is scheduled for the SOR database on Saturday, November 9, 2024, from 3:30 PM – 6:00 PM ET, and Sunday, November 10, 2024, from 8:00 AM – 9:00 PM ET.

SOR mailboxes are expected to be unavailable during these maintenance windows.

We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

Thank you,

IRS e-Services Team

QuickAlerts–November 12, 2024

Subject: Affordable Care Act (ACA) Information Returns (AIR) Shutdown/Cutover Filing Season 2025/Tax Year 2024

Attention: AIR Participants - Transmitters, Software Developers and Issuers

AIR Production environment Shutdown/Cutover

In order to prepare for Filing Season 2025/Tax Year 2024, the **AIR Production environment Shutdown/Cutover** for all transmissions, including corrections and replacements, will begin on:

Sunday, December 8, 2024, 5:00 p.m. Eastern time

Please do not attempt to access the AIR Production environment via the Application to Application (A2A) and User Interface (UI) channels during the Shutdown/Cutover period.

AIR Production environment Start-up

Start-up for Filing Season 2025/Tax Year 2024 AIR Production will begin on:

Friday, January 10, 2025, 9:00 a.m. Eastern time

AIR Assurance Testing System (AATS)

The **AIR AATS environment** will still be available during the Production Shutdown, except for the routine maintenance window that occurs each Sunday.

Please monitor the [AIR Operational Status](#) page for any updates.

QuickAlerts–November 13, 2024

Subject: Form 1040 Series Business Rules and Schema are available

Attention: Software Developers, Return Transmitters and Authorized IRS e-File Providers/EROs

Tax Year 2024/Processing Year 2025, Business Rules and Schema

- Form 1040 Series 2024v5.0

Software Developers and State organizations may download Modernized e-File (MeF) schemas and business rules from their e-Services mailbox. To access these files, you must have:

- An active e-Services account
- An e-File application with the Software Developer or State provider option with the associated tax type of 1040, 2350, 4868, 56 or 9465

Please visit the [Modernized e-File (MeF) Schemas and Business Rules](#) page on IRS.gov for more information about MeF Schemas and Business Rules.

You may have several messages in your account. Please open all of them to find the set you would like to download. After 60 days the messages are purged. If you have the appropriate role and do not have these files available for download within 48 hours, please contact [MeF Mailbox](#) with the Company Name, ETIN and schema package(s) with tax year needed.

QuickAlerts–November 13, 2024

Subject: New Modernized e-File (MeF) Business Returns Schema and Business Rules are Available

Attention: Software Developers, Return Transmitters and Authorized IRS e-file Providers/EROs.

Tax Years 2022, 2023, and 2024/Processing Year 2025 Schemas and Business Rules are available.

Current Year Schemas and Business Rules:

- Form 990x   TY 2024v5.0
- Form 990-T   TY 2024v5.0
- Form 1120-POL   TY 2024v5.0
- Form 1120x   TY 2024v5.0
- Form 1041   TY 2024v2.0
- Form 1065   TY 2024v5.0

Current Year Business Rules Change Pages (only):

- Form 1041   TY 2024v2.0

Current year Business Rules (only):

- Form 2290   TY2024V1.0

Prior Year Schemas and Business Rules (updated):

- Form 990x   TY 2023v6.0
- Form 990-T   TY 2023v8.0
- Form 1120-POL   TY 2023v8.0

Prior Year Business Rules Change Pages (only):

- Form 1065   TY 2022v4.3
- Form 1065   TY 2023v5.3

Note: If only minor changes occur, Software Developers are not required to use the new version. If the major number changes, all software must reflect the new version.

Please visit the [Modernized e-file (MeF) Schemas and Business Rules](#) page on IRS.gov for more information about Schemas and Business Rules.

Software Developers and State organizations may download Schemas and Business Rules from their e-Services mailbox. To access these files, the following is needed:

- Active e-Services account
- Listed on an e-File application with the provider option of Software Developer or State
- Software Developer must have an associated tax type of 990x, 990-T, 1041, 1065, 1120x, 1120-POL, and 2290.

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QuickAlerts–November 13, 2024

Subject: Information Returns Intake System (IRIS) Schema and Business Rules are Available

Attention: Software Developers and Information Return Transmitters

Tax Year 2024 IRIS Schema v1.1 and Business Rules v1.1 are available through the SOR mailbox. There are no changes to TY2024 Schema v1.1. There are no changes to Business Rules in v1.1.

Tax Year 2023 IRIS Schema and Business Rules v1.3 are available. There are no changes to TY 2023 Schema v1.3. There are no changes to Business Rules in v1.3.

Software Developers and State organizations may download IRIS schemas and business rules from their e-Services mailbox. To access these files, you must have:

- An active e-Services account
- An IRIS TCC application with the status "Completed"
- An IRIS TCC status of "Active"
- An IRIS role of "Software Developer" or business structure of "State Government Agency", "Local Government Agency", or "Federal Government Agency"

You may have several messages in your account. Please open all of them to find the set you would like to download. After 60 days the messages are purged.

Please visit the [IRIS Schemas and Business Rules](#) page on IRS.gov for more information about IRIS Schemas and Business Rules.

Subject: Update - **Information Returns Intake System** (IRIS) Shutdown/Cutover and Maintenance Schedule

Attention: IRIS Participants - Transmitters, Software Developers and Issuers

Production

In order to prepare for Filing Season 2025/Tax Year 2024, the **IRIS Production environment Shutdown/Cutover** for all transmissions, including corrections and replacements, will begin on:

Tuesday, December 03, 2024, 12:00 a.m. Eastern time

Please do not attempt to access the IRIS Production environment via the Application to Application (A2A) and/or Taxpayer Portal channels during the Shutdown/Cutover period.

We'll provide the **IRIS Production environment Start-up** date/time later via a QuickAlerts bulletin.

Please monitor the [IRIS Status](#) page for any updates.

IRIS Assurance Testing System (ATS)

The **IRIS AATS environment** will still be available.

Please monitor the [IRIS Status](#) page for any updates.

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