

# Group Rulings Questionnaire - Questions and Answers

The following are answers to some general questions the IRS has received about completing the Group Rulings Questionnaire:

**1. What is the purpose of the questionnaire?**

Information from these questionnaires will help EO better understand the relationship between central organizations and their subordinates, and how they satisfy their exemption and filing requirements.

**2. Who may complete the questionnaire?**

The IRS has mailed letters to over 2,000 randomly selected central organizations of group rulings, asking them to complete the questionnaire on-line. Only these central organizations may complete and submit this questionnaire. Completion of the questionnaire is optional, but encouraged.

**3. How much time does an organization have to complete and submit the questionnaire?**

60 days from the date of the cover letter. If additional time is needed, we will grant up to an additional 30 days to respond.

**4. Is this questionnaire part of an exam?**

This questionnaire is part of a voluntary compliance check, not an examination. We are not reviewing your books and records, contacting third parties, or requesting verification of the information you provide. See [Publication 4386, Compliance Checks](#) for more information.

**5. Will the information submitted on-line be kept secure and private?**

Yes, the on-line site is secure. In the Instructions, central organizations are provided security information for access - a PIN, Password, and Source ID.

**6. Do I have to complete the questionnaire in a single session, or can I enter responses over a longer period of time?**

You can enter responses on-line over a period of time. After exiting the questionnaire, you can log back into the questionnaire to enter new information or change your previous responses. After the due dates (and extended due dates) for completing the questionnaires have passed, the IRS will collect all responses and allow no further access to the on-line questionnaire or opportunity for revisions.