IRS NEWS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES August 2022

► UPCOMING WEBINARS

(1) Understanding Form 1042 - Annual Withholding Tax Return for U.S. Source Income of Foreign Persons

During this webinar we will cover:

- Overview of Form 1042
- Overview of each section of the Form 1042
- Common Errors on Form 1042
- Plus, a live Q & A

Date: Thursday, August 4, 2022

Time: 2:00 p.m. (ET); 1:00 p.m. (CT); 12:00 p.m. (MT); 11:00 a.m. (Arizona and Pacific), 8:00 a.m. (Hawaii)

Registration: To register for the event, visit the <u>Internal Revenue Service Webinar</u> <u>Registration</u> website. Questions? Email us at: <u>cl.sl.web.conference.team@irs.gov</u>

Recent Archived Videos:

Topic: Understanding Form 2290 – Heavy Highway Vehicle Use Tax Aired: Thursday, July 7, 2022 View: IRS Video Portal https://www.irsvideos.gov/Individual/PayingTaxes/UnderstandingForm2290HeavyHighway VehicleUseTax

 Topic:
 Sale of Partnership Interest – Comprehensive Case Study

 Aired:
 Thursday, July 14, 2022

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 https://www.irsvideos.gov/Business/FilingPayingTaxes/SaleofPartnershipInterestCompreh

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 Topic:
 Accessing the IRS - Understanding the Identity Verification Process

 Aired:
 Tuesday, July 19, 2022

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 IRS Video Portal

 https://www.irsvideos.gov/Individual/Resources/AccessingtheIRSUnderstandingtheIdentit

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<u>Topic</u>: IRS and FTC Presents: Scams, Tax Related Identity Theft and Identity Protection PIN

Aired: Wednesday, July 20, 2022

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https://www.irsvideos.gov/Individual/ScamsFraud/IRSandFTCpresentsScamsTaxRelatedId entityTheftandIdentityProtectionPIN

► HOT TOPICS

IRS announces tax relief for Kentucky severe storms, flooding, landslide and mudslide victims | Internal Revenue Service

• Victims of severe storms, flooding, landslides and mudslides beginning July 26, 2022, now have until November 15, 2022, to file various individual and business tax returns and make tax payments.

2021 tax extension filers don't need to wait until October 17

• The Internal Revenue Service is reminding the estimated 19 million taxpayers who requested an extension to file their 2021 tax return that they don't have to wait until mid-October to file. If a taxpayer has all the necessary information to file an accurate return, they can file electronically at any time before the October deadline and avoid a last-minute rush to file.

► HAVE YOU SEEN THIS?

New IRS Strategic Plan: Agency issues five-year plan with goal to help taxpayers

• The Internal Revenue Service released a new five-year Strategic Plan that outlines its goals to improve taxpayer service and tax administration.

IRS expands voice bot options for faster service, less wait time

• The Internal Revenue Service expanded voice bot options to help eligible taxpayers easily verify their identity to set up or modify a payment plan while avoiding long wait times.

► BEWARE OF TAX SCAMS

Security Summit: Identity Protection PINs provide an important defense against tax-related identity theft

 The Security Summit partners encouraged tax professionals to increase their efforts to inform clients about the IRS Identity Protection PIN Opt-In Program to help protect people against tax-related identity theft.

Get An Identity Protection PIN | Internal Revenue Service (irs.gov)

- Internal Revenue Service reminds all taxpayers particularly those who are identity theft victims of an important step they should take to protect themselves from tax fraud.
- Some identity thieves use taxpayers' information to file fraudulent tax returns. By requesting Identity Protection PINs from the <u>Get an IP PIN</u> tool on IRS.gov, taxpayers can prevent thieves from claiming tax refunds in their names.

► TAX TIPS

IRS online account makes it easy for taxpayers to view their tax info anytime

 Taxpayers who want to check their account information including balance, payments, tax records and more, can log into their IRS online account. It's a simple and secure way to get information fast.

Worker Classification 101: employee or independent contractor

• A business might pay an independent contractor and an employee for the same or similar work, but there are key legal differences between the two. It is critical for business owners to correctly determine whether the people providing services are employees or independent contractors.

► NEWS RELEASES

Basic things all businesses should know about excise tax

• Excise tax is an indirect tax on specific goods, services and activities. Federal excise tax is usually imposed on the sale of things like fuel, airline tickets, heavy trucks and highway tractors, indoor tanning, tires, tobacco and other goods and services.

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IRS revises frequently asked questions about the 2021 Child Tax Credit and Advance Child Tax Credit

 The IRS issued a revised set of frequently asked questions for the 2021 Child Tax Credit. These frequently asked questions (FAQs) are released to the public in Fact Sheet 2022-32, July 14, 2022. <u>https://www.irs.gov/pub/taxpros/fs-2022-32.pdf</u>

► OUTREACH CONNECTION

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• People can get the latest IRS news through the agency's verified social media accounts and by subscribing to e-News services. These communication channels keep taxpayers "in the know" about important tax matters all year, not just during filing season.

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