# Form **4506**

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

## **Request for Copy of Tax Return**

OMB No. 1545-0429

▶ Request may be rejected if the form is incomplete or illegible.

**Tip.** You may be able to get your tax return or return information from other sources. If you had your tax return completed by a paid preparer, they should be able to provide you a copy of the return. The IRS can provide a **Tax Return Transcript** for many returns free of charge. The transcript provides most of the line entries from the original tax return and usually contains the information that a third party (such as a mortgage company) requires. See **Form 4506-T, Request for Transcript of Tax Return,** or you can quickly request transcripts by using our automated self-help service tools. Please visit us at IRS.gov and click on "Order a Transcript" or call 1-800-908-9946.

1a	Name shown on tax return. If a joint return, enter the name shown first.	1b First social security num individual taxpayer ident employer identification r	-
2a	f a joint return, enter spouse's name shown on tax return.	2b Second social security n taxpayer identification n	
3 (	Current name, address (including apt., room, or suite no.), city, state, and ZIP co	de (see instructions)	
<b>4</b> F	Previous address shown on the last return filed if different from line 3 (see instruc	ctions)	
5 If	the tax return is to be mailed to a third party (such as a mortgage company), er	nter the third party's name, address,	and telephone number.
have fi 5, the l	on. If the tax return is being mailed to a third party, ensure that you have filled in I lled in these lines. Completing these steps helps to protect your privacy. Once th IRS has no control over what the third party does with the information. If you wo lation, you can specify this limitation in your written agreement with the third part	ne IRS discloses your IRS return to to uld like to limit the third party's autho	he third party listed on line
6	Tax return requested. Form 1040, 1120, 941, etc. and all attachments schedules, or amended returns. Copies of Forms 1040, 1040A, and 1040E2 destroyed by law. Other returns may be available for a longer period of tin type of return, you must complete another Form 4506. ▶	Z are generally available for 7 years	s from filing before they are
	Note. If the copies must be certified for court or administrative proceedings, ch	neck here	
7	Year or period requested. Enter the ending date of the year or period, using t	he mm/dd/yyyy format. If you are re	questing more than
	eight years or periods, you must attach another Form 4506.		
8	Fee. There is a \$57 fee for each return requested. Full payment must be incl	luded with your request or it will	
	be rejected. Make your check or money order payable to "United States T		
	and "Form 4506 request" on your check or money order.		
а	Cost for each return		\$
b	Number of returns requested on line 7		
С	Total cost. Multiply line 8a by line 8b		\$
9	If we cannot find the tax return, we will refund the fee. If the refund should go to	o the third party listed on line 5, che	ck here
	n. Do not sign this form unless all applicable lines have been completed.		2
reques partner	ure of taxpayer(s). I declare that I am either the taxpayer whose name is shown ted. If the request applies to a joint return, either husband or wife must sign. If s , executor, receiver, administrator, trustee, or party other than the taxpayer, I ce payer. Note. For tax returns being sent to a third party, this form must be received	signed by a corporate officer, partne rtify that I have the authority to exec	r, guardian, tax matters cute Form 4506 on behalf of
		Phone r 1a or 2a	number of taxpayer on line I
Sign Here	Signature (see instructions)	Date	
	Title (if line 1a above is a corporation, partnership, estate, or trust)		
	Spouse's signature	Date	

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Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

#### What's New

The IRS has created a page on IRS.gov for information about Form 4506 and its instructions, at www.irs.gov/form4506. Information about any recent developments affecting Form 4506, Form 4506T and Form 4506T-EZ will be posted on that page.

### **General Instructions**

**Caution.** Do not sign this form unless all applicable lines have been completed.

**Purpose of form.** Use Form 4506 to request a copy of your tax return. You can also designate (on line 5) a third party to receive the tax return.

How long will it take? It may take up to 60 calendar days for us to process your request.

**Tip.** Use Form 4506-T, Request for Transcript of Tax Return, to request tax return transcripts, tax account information, W-2 information, 1099 information, verification of non-filing, and record of account.

**Automated transcript request.** You can quickly request transcripts by using our automated self-help service tools. Please visit us at IRS.gov and click on "Order a Transcript" or call 1-800-908-9946.

Where to file. Attach payment and mail Form 4506 to the address below for the state you lived in, or the state your business was in, when that return was filed. There are two address charts: one for individual returns (Form 1040 series) and one for all other returns.

If you are requesting a return for more than one year and the chart below shows two different addresses, send your request to the address based on the address of your most recent return.

# Chart for individual returns (Form 1040 series)

#### If you filed an individual return and lived in:

Mail to the "Internal Revenue Service" at:

Alabama, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Texas, a foreign country, American Samoa, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or

A.P.O. or F.P.O. address

RAIVS Team Stop 6716 AUSC Austin TX 73301

Alaska, Arizona,
Arkansas, California,
Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho,
Illinois, Indiana, Iowa,
Kansas, Michigan,
Minnesota, Montana,
Nebraska, Nevada, New
Mexico, North Dakota,
Oklahoma, Oregon,
South Dakota, Utah,
Washington, Wisconsin,
Wyoming

RAIVS Team Stop 37106 Fresno, CA 93888

Connecticut,
Delaware, District of
Columbia, Florida,
Georgia, Maine,
Maryland,
Massachusetts,
Missouri, New
Hampshire, New Jersey,
New York, North
Carolina, Ohio,
Pennsylvania, Rhode
Island, South Carolina,
Vermont, Virginia, West

Virginia

RAIVS Team Stop 6705 P-6 Kansas City, MO 64999

### Chart for all other returns

If you lived in or your business was in: Mail to the "Internal Revenue Service" at:

Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas. California, Colorado. Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Iowa, Kansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington, Wyoming, a foreign country, or A.P.O. or F.P.O. address

RAIVS Team P.O. Box 9941 Mail Stop 6734 Ogden, UT 84409

Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin

RAIVS Team P.O. Box 145500 Stop 2800 F Cincinnati, OH 45250

### **Specific Instructions**

**Line 1b.** Enter your employer identification number (EIN) if you are requesting a copy of a business return. Otherwise, enter the first social security number (SSN) or your individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN) shown on the return. For example, if you are requesting Form 1040 that includes Schedule C (Form 1040), enter your SSN.

**Line 3.** Enter your current address. If you use a P.O. box, please include it on this line 3.

**Line 4.** Enter the address shown on the last return filed if different from the address entered on line 3.

**Note.** If the address on Lines 3 and 4 are different and you have not changed your address with the IRS, file Form 8822, Change of Address.

Signature and date. Form 4506 must be signed and dated by the taxpayer listed on line 1a or 2a. If you completed line 5 requesting the return be sent to a third party, the IRS must receive Form 4506 within 120 days of the date signed by the taxpayer or it will be rejected. Ensure that all applicable lines are completed before signing.

Individuals. Copies of jointly filed tax returns may be furnished to either spouse. Only one signature is required. Sign Form 4506 exactly as your name appeared on the original return. If you changed your name, also sign your current name.

**Corporations.** Generally, Form 4506 can be signed by: (1) an officer having legal authority to bind the corporation, (2) any person designated by the board of directors or other governing body, or (3) any officer or employee on written request by any principal officer and attested to by the secretary or other officer.

**Partnerships.** Generally, Form 4506 can be signed by any person who was a member of the partnership during any part of the tax period requested on line 7.

**All others.** See section 6103(e) if the taxpayer has died, is insolvent, is a dissolved corporation, or if a trustee, guardian, executor, receiver, or administrator is acting for the taxpayer.

**Documentation.** For entities other than individuals, you must attach the authorization document. For example, this could be the letter from the principal officer authorizing an employee of the corporation or the letters testamentary authorizing an individual to act for an estate.

Signature by a representative. A representative can sign Form 4506 for a taxpayer only if this authority has been specifically delegated to the representative on Form 2848, line 5. Form 2848 showing the delegation must be attached to Form 4506.

Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice. We ask for the information on this form to establish your right to gain access to the requested return(s) under the Internal Revenue Code. We need this information to properly identify the return(s) and respond to your request. If you request a copy of a tax return, sections 6103 and 6109 require you to provide this information, including your SSN or EIN, to process your request. If you do not provide this information, we may not be able to process your request. Providing false or fraudulent information may subject you to penalties.

Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation, and cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their tax laws. We may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce federal nontax criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism.

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. Generally, tax returns and return information are confidential, as required by section 6103.

The time needed to complete and file Form 4506 will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average time is: Learning about the law or the form, 10 min.; Preparing the form, 16 min.; and Copying, assembling, and sending the form to the IRS, 20 min.

If you have comments concerning the accuracy of these time estimates or suggestions for making Form 4506 simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. You can write to:

Internal Revenue Service
Tax Products Coordinating Committee
SE:W:CAR:MP:T:M:S
1111 Constitution Ave. NW, IR-6526
Washington, DC 20224.

Do not send the form to this address. Instead, see Where to file on this page.