Form **886-H-HOH** 

Department of the Treasury-Internal Revenue Service

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## **Supporting Documents to Prove Head of Household Filing Status**

You may qualify for Head of Household filing status if you meet the following three tests:

Marriage Test, Qualifying Person Test, and Cost of Keeping up a Home Test.

Name of Taxpayer Tax			Тахр	ayer Identification Number	Tax Period Ending
	If You Are:			Then send photocopies of the following documents for tax year 2019	
Marriage Test	Single			Go to the Qualifying Person Test and Cost of Keeping up a Home Test.	
	Divorced or legally separated			Entire divorce decree, separate maintenance decree, or separation agreement.	
	Married, but your spouse did not live with you during the last 6 months of tax year 2019		Documents verifying your spouse did not live with you during the last 6 months of the year, such as a lease agreement, utility bills, a letter from a clergy member, or a letter from social services.		
	If the Person Is:	And		Then send photocopies of the year 2019	following documents for tax
Qualifying Person Test  (If your relationship with the child is not in this listing, please see Publication 501, Dependents, Standard Deduction, and Filing Information for more information).	Your child (including an adopted child, or a pending adoption), Your brother or sister, stepbrother or stepsister, or any of their descendants (for example, grandchild, niece, or nephew), Your eligible foster child (a child placed in your home by an authorized placement agency or by a court order).	You can claim a dependency exemption for the child.  The child lived in your home for more than half of 2019 (temporabsences away from home, so as time spent at school, coun time lived at home).  Note—A married child must be your dependent.	orary uch t as	letter from an authorized adoption a placement agency, or applicable correlationship to the child (send these who is not your natural or adopted of To show both you and your child live 2019, send:  • School, medical, daycare, or social A letter on the official letterhead from service agency, or place of worship	urt document that verify your documents only for a qualifying child shild).  ed together for more than half of all service records om a school, medical provider, social p that shows names, common letter from a relative who provides
imonnation).				<b>Send as many</b> documents as necessary to show that the child lived with you for more than half of the year.	
Cost of Keeping up a Home Test	If:	And		Then send photocopies of the following documents for tax year 2019	
	You pass both the marriage test and the qualifying person test,	You paid more than half the coof keeping up your home for 2		Rent receipts, utility bills, grocery receipts, property tax bills, mortgage interest statement, upkeep and repair bills, property insurance statement, and other household bills.	