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**Spokane Computer Inc – MAG-FILER**

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From the Nov. 2012 [Review of 1099 and W-2 Preparation programs](#).

**Best Fit:** Accounting firms managing year-end compliance for multiple clients.

**Strengths:**

- Supports multiple import and export formats
- Offers service bureau option for entire reporting process
- Performs TIN Verification before submitting

**Potential Limitations:**

- No built-in invoicing feature

MAG-FILER allows users to manage the entire year-end reporting process from preparation to filing. The software supports all 1099s and W-2s and provides data verification. Federal and state e-filing is included in the program and batch printing capabilities allow users to select which forms to print, either on blank paper or pre-printed forms. The vendor also offers a comprehensive printing and mailing service.

**Basic System Functions: 4.25 Stars**

MAG-FILER is designed to be installed on individual workstations and can be used by multiple users. The program is designed to allow users to complete the process in as little as three steps: entering payer information, entering recipient information

and e-filing with either the federal or state agency. MAG-FILER supports all 1099

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password to access the program's data. Social Security Numbers are truncated when generating recipient forms to protect the recipient. The program also offers a TIN verification capability that matches TINs from the forms to the IRS database, checking for input errors before forms are e-filed.

### **Reporting: 4.5 Stars**

MAG-FILER offers unlimited federal and state e-filing via the IRS and SSA websites. Once users create an electronic file, the software links to the IRS or SSA website to upload the file. The system also offers a log of previously submitted forms and e-file summary reports. W-2 information can be filed with the states using the SSA EFW2 format. The program also offers TIN verification and error checking.

Users can sort through and filter recipient data and print totals reports, showing summary amounts for all payee files for specific forms. Forms can be saved to PDF and emailed to recipients, with the SSN masked. MAG-FILER also offers the capability to export data to CSV format or use Microsoft Access to open the program's data.

MAG-FILER also offers a comprehensive service bureau option that will print, e-file and mail copies of forms to recipients.

### **Import/Export Capabilities: 4.25 Stars**

MAG-FILER supports importing Excel, QuickBooks and text data formats, as well as rolling over data from the previous tax year. Forms can be exported to CSV and PDF formats. MAG-FILER also supports email capabilities for electronic distribution of recipient forms.

### **Help/Support: 4.25 Stars**

MAG-FILER's Help menu provides access to the program's user guide, link to the

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## 2012 Overall Rating: 4.25 Stars

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