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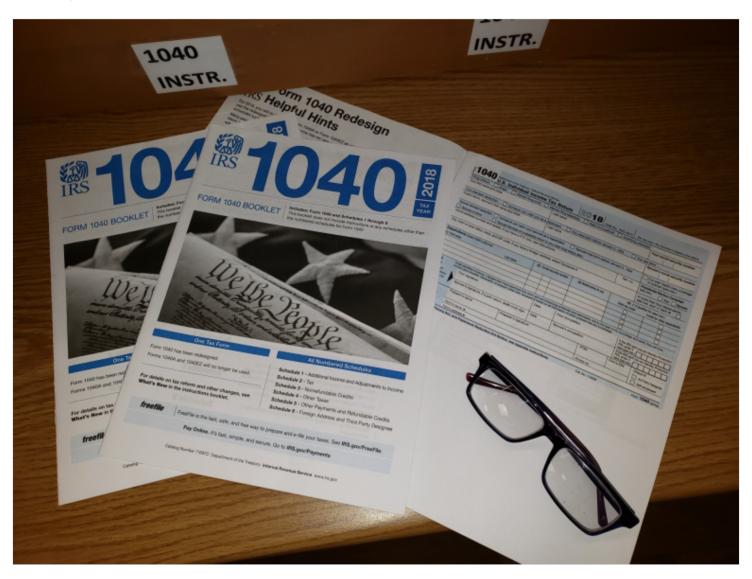
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2019 federal income tax return and pay any tax due.

Jun. 02, 2020



U.S. taxpayers who live and work abroad usually have an extended tax deadline of June 15. This year, however, they have until Wednesday, July 15, 2020, to file their 2019 federal income tax return and pay any tax due.

This extension was included in a wide range of Coronavirus-related relief announced in early April. The extension generally applies to all taxpayers who have an income

tax filing or payment deadline falling on or after April 1, 2020, and before July 15,

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ways:

- Filing Form 4868 through their tax professional, tax software or using the Free File link on IRS.gov.
- Submitting an electronic payment with Direct Pay, Electronic Federal Tax
 Payment System or by debit, credit card or digital wallet options and selecting
 Form 4868 or extension as the payment type. The automatic extension of time to
 file will process when taxpayers pay all or part of their taxes, electronically, by the
 July 15 due date. An extension to file is not an extension to pay. Taxes are still due
 by July 15.

Businesses that need additional time to file income tax returns must file Form 7004, Application for Automatic Extension of Time To File Certain Business Income Tax, Information, and Other Returns.

Combat zone extension Members of the military qualify for an additional extension of at least 180 days to file and pay taxes if either of the following situations apply:

- They serve in a combat zone or they have qualifying service outside of a combat zone or
- They serve on deployment outside the United States away from their permanent duty station while participating in a contingency operation. This is a military operation that is designated by the Secretary of Defense or results in calling members of the uniformed services to active duty (or retains them on active duty) during a war or a national emergency declared by the President or Congress.

Deadlines are also extended for individuals serving in a combat zone or a contingency operation in support of the Armed Forces. This applies to Red Cross personnel, accredited correspondents, and civilian personnel acting under the direction of the Armed Forces in support of those forces.

Spouses of individuals who served in a combat zone or contingency operation are

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