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IRS Portals for Economic Impact Payments

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The IRS has two online portals related to the economic impact payments. The first portal—<u>Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info</u>—was launched on April 10 for individuals who are not required to file tax returns. A second portal—<u>Get My Payment</u>—was launched on April 15 and allows certain individuals to obtain information about their economic impact payment.

Portals

- Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info: This portal is for individuals who are not required to file tax returns. It allows non-filers to register for their rebate payments and provide the IRS their adjusted gross income, number of dependents, marital status, and banking information for direct deposit.
- <u>Get My Payment</u>: This portal allows individuals, once authenticated, to find out the status of their economic impact payments. The portal can be used by (1) individuals who filed tax returns for 2019 or 2018 and (2) individuals who previously used the non-filer portal to register their information. Until noon on May 13, certain taxpayers also could use this portal to provide their banking information. However, the portal no longer can be used for that purpose. Taxpayers who filed 2019 or 2018 tax returns and who did not provide their banking information by noon on May 13 will receive a paper check.

Why are these portals important?

Treasury and the IRS initially estimated that there would be 171 million rebate payments under the CARES Act and that 101 million of these payments would be paid by paper check unless the IRS received direct deposit information for these payments before a paper check is mailed. The two portals have assisted the IRS in paying as many people as possible through direct deposit rather than by mailing paper checks.

At this time, individuals who are not required to file a federal tax return still can provide their banking information to the IRS through <u>Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info</u>. These individuals also can use <u>Get My Payment</u> to check the status of their payment.

Similarly, individuals who filed tax returns for 2018 or 2019 can use <u>Get My Payment</u> to check the status of their payment. As noted above, they can no longer use this portal to provide banking information.