



Rhode Island Division of Taxation

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Advisory:

Filing season update

The Rhode Island Division of Taxation has completed its mailing of the Forms 1099-G and 1099-INT. The Tax Division has also received nearly 32,000 electronically filed returns so far this filing season. In addition, the Tax Division has issued three new Administrative Decisions. Details are below.

Forms issued

The Tax Division last week finished mailing the Form 1099-G. In general, the form shows how much of a Rhode Island income tax refund a taxpayer received in 2011. The amount is shown in the form's Box 2, "State or Local Income Tax Refunds, Credits, or Offsets." Altogether, the agency ended up sending out 187,805 Forms 1099-G.

The Tax Division last week also finished mailing the Form 1099-INT. It shows how much interest certain taxpayers earned in 2011 on their Rhode Island income-tax refunds. Overall, the agency sent out 4,157 Forms 1099-INT.

"These two forms will help taxpayers and their preparers during the filing season. We are pleased to have been able to mail them early in the season," said Tax Administrator David M. Sullivan.

E-filing

The Tax Division has received nearly 32,000 e-filed returns in the first 10 days of filing season: as of January 27, e-filed returns totaled 31,700, on pace with last season's rate. Of the e-filed returns so far this season, about 18,000 were made through the [new IRS e-file system known as Modernized e-File](#), or MeF. Last year, only about 5,000 returns were filed through MeF - for the entire year. MeF covers more returns this season than it did last year, and also allows preparers and others to attach PDF documents to a return.

"We encourage all taxpayers to take advantage of the many benefits of electronic filing this season," said Peter McVay, associate director of revenue services. "E-filing is faster, more accurate, and provides refunds more quickly" than paper filing, he said.

Administrative decisions

[Administrative Decision 2012-02](#) focuses on whether someone should have been treated as a responsible officer for a business - and, if so, whether that person was liable for the sales tax assessment issued by the Tax Division.

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[Administrative Decision 2012-03](#) looks at whether a taxpayer owed Rhode Island fuel use tax under the International Fuel Tax Agreement (IFTA) - and whether the taxpayer was eligible to claim related credits.

[Administrative Decision 2012-04](#) focuses on whether the taxpayer, a manufacturer, was subject to Rhode Island use tax on its non-exempt replacement equipment.

All recent Administrative Decisions are on the Tax Division website:

<http://www.tax.ri.gov/AdministrativeDecisions/>

Reminder on forms, instructions

Please note that although the Tax Division no longer automatically makes bulk mailings of tax booklets, taxpayers have several options to obtain forms, instructions, booklets, and additional information:

- Download a copy from the Tax Division's website, <http://www.tax.ri.gov>;
- Use the following e-mail address to request a form or booklet: TaxForms@tax.ri.gov;
- Visit the Tax Division's first-floor lobby at One Capitol Hill, Providence; or
- Call the Tax Division's forms request line at (401) 574-8970.

Taxpayers with questions may call the agency at (401) 574-8829 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. business days.

The Tax Division has issued a special edition of its newsletter, *Rhode Island Tax News*, to provide tax preparers, taxpayers, and others with helpful information about the filing season. [Click here for a copy.](#)

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