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EXACNEWS

Exactax Client:

Summer development continues to progress smoothly as we work to update and improve our 2006 input forms. We look forward to hearing your comments and suggestions as we present some draft versions of forms in progress at the User Meetings.

User Meeting Reminder: The Exactax User Meetings for northern California begin on June 12 and Southern California meetings begin on June 26 (see your May ExacNews). If you would like to attend, please contact our Customer Support Department.

Special Shipping Addresses: When entering a special shipping address on Form PI, please remember that a P.O. Box always requires regular mail as the delivery method. Enter a code 6 in zip 2.

California Forms 9000H/9000R: 2006 Form 9000H, Homeowner Assistance Claim (for income received in 2005), and 2006 Form 9000R, Renter Assistance Claim (for income received in 2005), are now available. Note that the annual filing period for the Homeowner Assistance and Renter Assistance claims is from July 1 to October 15, 2006. Do not file these forms before July 1. Input Form CA9000 [**CA31**], CA Homeowner and Renter Assistance Credit is required to be submitted to generate either of these credits. A copy of Input Form [**CA31**] and instructions are included with this bulletin.

Note: This input form can be added on a rerun.

Client Labels: In prior years Exactax provided a no-charge set of client labels for all returns processed through June 1 and a second set for returns processed from June 2 through mid-December. This year a single full set will be provided in November, at no charge, for all returns processed through November 1. If you need a set before then, you may order them through Customer Support. Additional client labels are available at 10¢ per client with two labels for each client (minimum order \$10.00).

Estimated Tax Vouchers: When preparing extension returns that have estimates, keep in mind that unlike last year, four vouchers are always prepared by default, regardless of the processing date. If you are processing a 1040 return after June 15th and only want vouchers 2, 3 and 4, you must enter a Code 3 (the last three vouchers) in zip 39 on Form Est [**6A**]. For state vouchers, an equivalent entry is required on the state input form, such as California Form CAEst [**6A**], zip 13.

Amounts for code #6:	
Taxpayer SE income	[β5]
Spouse SE income	[β6]
Adj gross income	[β7]
Other tax/credit adj	[β8]
Number of 2006 vouchers desired ^{***}	[39] 3 (codes below)

Note: Box 39 will not work when you use a Code 5 in Box 28, for predetermined voucher amounts, “Use amounts entered below, before overpayment”. With code 5, all vouchers requested will be produced, reduced by any overpayment applied.


Amounts Already Paid on Estimates: If one or more estimated tax payments have already been made, enter the amounts paid in Boxes 31 through 34 on Form Est [6A]. The payments will be subtracted from the total estimated tax liability to determine the remaining voucher amounts and will be proformaed as payments for next year.

Note: You can not enter both pre-determined estimated tax voucher amounts and estimate amounts already paid on Form Est since the same input boxes are used. When this situation occurs, we suggest that you use the input boxes 31 through 34 to enter the amounts already paid. Then use the Tax Projection Worksheet, Input Form TPW-2 [98C], to enter the predetermined amounts for the 2006 regular tax (zip 1) and Alternative Minimum Tax (zip 23). Enter zero overrides for credits, withholding, etc. to prevent any adjustment to your tax totals.

Enter a code **8** on Form Est [6A], zip 28, to have the tax projection information be used for the estimate. Do the same for state estimates using the state tax projection. In the example below, the first estimate payment of \$2,000 has already been made and a code 8 is entered to use the Tax Projection Worksheet [98B and 98C] for the 2006 estimated tax.

2006 Estimates - Calculated		
Form 1040ES – 2006 declaration**	[28]	8 (codes below)
Withholding adjustment	[29]	
Amount for code #2	[30]	
Amounts for code #5, #9 or 2006 estimates paid:		
1st payment	[31]	2000
2nd payment	[32]	
3rd payment	[33]	
4th payment	[34]	

Remote Data Entry Renewals: Renewal forms for RDE users have been mailed out. You should have received your RDE renewal by the time you receive this bulletin. If you have not received your RDE renewal, please contact Customer Support.

 Save \$65.00 on your RDE renewal when you renew by July 17, 2006!

Batch Renewals: As in previous years Batch renewal forms will be mailed during the August/September timeframe.

Late Proforma: Proforma has been printed and mailed for fiscal year business and late individual returns processed between March 3 and May 21, 2006. RDE downloads for these returns are also now available.

Billing Queries and Reminders: When requesting adjustments to your billing, state the problem in the comment section of your remittance and mail in with your payment. Any problems or questions regarding billing queries may also be faxed directly to the Accounting Department at 714-999-6566. Requests for credit must be made in writing.

IMPORTANT: *Accounts with an outstanding balance over 21 days will be placed on C.O.D. status. C.O.D. accounts will be shipped UPS C.O.D. for the balance past due plus the returns currently being shipped.*



Summer Customer Support Hours: Our Customer Support Department is open Monday through Thursday from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.; Fridays from 8:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. All times are Pacific Time. The direct number for Customer Support is 800-254-2244. Please have your six digit account number ready when calling regarding any type of questions; billing, input procedures, return status and/or technical tax questions. If you need to fax any information to Customer Support, the number is 714-254-7210.

Telephone Reruns and Supply Orders: To process Telephone Reruns or order supplies, call 800-786-4272. The operating hours are the same as for Customer Support. When calling in a Telephone Rerun, please have all information ready, including the form number or form name, form section and box number for the changes. Always have your account number, the log number of the return and the needed changes ready for the Telephone Rerun Representative. In order to be processed and ready for shipment the following day, Telephone Reruns must be called in by 4:30 P.M.

Important ExactTax Telephone Numbers

Main numbers	714-778-4081	800-352-3638
Customer Support	800-254-2244	
Telephone Rerun	714-239-6139	800-786-4272
Electronic Filing	714-254-7228	
Main fax	714-778-2571	
Customer Support fax	714-254-7210	
Accounting fax	714-999-6566	

Street address: **2301 W Lincoln Ave #100**
Anaheim, CA 92801

Or mail to: **P.O. Box 61048**
Anaheim, CA 92803-6148

To contact us by e-mail, use the following addresses:

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2005 Form CA9000 [CA31] (1040-CA)

Use Form CA9000 [CA31] to complete Form 9000R, Renter Assistance Claim, or Form 9000H, Homeowner Assistance Claim. The filing period for Forms 9000R and 9000H begins July 1st.

Changes and additions

The following change has been made to this form.

Field Added: The **Net value of home** field has been added to this form.

The star symbol ★ denotes a mandatory entry field.

CA Homeowner and Renter Assistance Credit – General Info

Exactax uses the information in this section to complete Form 9000R, Renter Assistance Claim, or Form 9000H, Homeowner Assistance Claim, Steps 1, 2, and 3.

Note: Checking zip 1 will suppress the printing of all California forms other than the Form 9000. It will not suppress the printing of the federal return.

Renter Assistance Claim

Exactax uses the information in this section to complete Form 9000R. An entry in zip 8 is required to produce this form.

Homeowner Assistance Claim

Exactax uses the information in this section to complete Form 9000H. An entry in zip 11 is required to produce this form.

Household Income

Exactax computes all items marked 'Force' automatically. Use the fields in this section to override or enter additional household income for Forms 9000R and 9000H.

RDE: The CA9000 is located in the CA Credits folder. If the CA9000 tab is not visible, open Client Properties and check the *Form 9000R/9000H* box on the California tab.

General Information for Both Credits

See Form CACr-2 [CA22] for Nonrefundable Renter's Credit
The filing period for Forms 9000R and 9000H begins July 1st.

Spouse is claiming credit [1]
Filing only Form 9000R/H [2]
Blind [3]
Disabled [4]
Noncitizen information:
Alien status code* [5]
Alien registration number [6]
Date of entry [7]

Renter Assistance Claim

Total number of months rented (Mandatory) [8]

Address if different [9]

Table with columns: #, Street Address (35), City (20), Postal Code, Zip Code, Rented From, Rented To

Landlord information (Mandatory) [10]

Table with columns: #, First Name (14), Last Name (19), Street Address (19), Apartment Number, City (19), Postal Code, Zip Code, Phone

Homeowner Assistance Claim

Net value of property (Mandatory) [11]
Percentage of property used for rental and/or business (xxx.xxx) [13]

Name and relationship of others listed on property tax bill [14]

Table with columns: #, First Name (12), Last Name (13), Relationship (11), Person Lived in Home

Percentage of ownership (Force) (xxx.xxx) [15]
Property tax (Force) (Default = Federal Input Form A [70], principle residence real estate taxes) [16]

Household Income (for both credits)

Social security and/or Railroad Retirement (Force) [17]
Interest, dividends, and/or gain (loss) (Force) [18]
Pensions, annuities, and IRA distributions (Force) [19]
SSI/SSP, AB, and ATD (Gold check) [20]
Rental and business income (Force) [21]

Other income [22]

- 1 = VA Benefits
2 = Nontaxable Unemployed Comp
3 = Public Assistance
4 = Other

Table with columns: #, Code, Description (36), State if Different Amount

Adjustments to income [23]

Table with columns: #, Description (36), Amount [23]

Received Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (Formerly AFDC) [24]

* Alien status code:

- B = Lawfully admitted for permanent residence/battered or subject to cruelty
C = Conditional entry under Section 203 (a) of the INA
D = Deportation withheld under Section 243 (h) or Section 241 (b) (3) of INA
E = Granted asylum under Section 208 of the INA
F = Admitted to the U.S. under Section 207 of the INA

- G = Paroled into the U.S. for 1 year or more, Section 212 (d) (5) of INA
H = Cuban or Haitian entrant
I = Paroled into the U.S. less than 1 year, Section 212 (d) (5) of the INA
J = Nonimmigrant alien, Section 101 (a) (15) of the INA