



Taxland Newsletter
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UPCOMING DEADLINES:

4th QTR ESTIMATED TAX PAYMENTS DUE: 01-15-25

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Tax Organizers:

As stated in our December issue, Taxland produces tax organizers in the first few weeks of the new year for the upcoming tax season. If you have not received one in the past and feel it would be helpful for you to use, please call or email our office and we can generate one for you. As always we are here to make the tax process as seamless and efficient for our clients as possible.

2025 Mileage Rates Are Announced:

Beginning Jan. 1, 2025, the standard mileage rates for the use of a car, van, pickup or panel truck will be:

- 70 cents per mile driven for business use, up 3 cents from 2024.
- 21 cents per mile driven for medical purposes, the same as in 2024.
- 21 cents per mile driven for moving purposes for qualified active-duty members of the Armed Forces, unchanged from last year.
- 14 cents per mile driven in service of charitable organizations, equal to the rate in 2024.

The rates apply to fully-electric and hybrid automobiles, as well as gasoline and diesel-powered vehicles.

Introducing Protection Plus A New Feature For Our Clients:

We are pleased to announce that this year we will be adding an additional level of defense for our clients through a program called Protection Plus which will be a package added on to our already existing tax software. This will automatically provide the industry's leading tax audit defense to all of our clients.

\$1 Million Tax Audit Defense:

Should you receive a tax audit or notice, you can depend on up to \$1,000,000 in services from the industry's leading tax audit defense team. Your credentialed team of specialists provides comprehensive assistance to ensure your matter is resolved.

Identity Theft Restoration:

If your identity is compromised, your designated Privacy Advocate will provide reliable and thorough identity theft restoration services. No matter how or where your identity is stolen, your team of experts stands ready to help you reclaim your identity with confidence.

\$2,500 Tax Preparation Guarantee:

You can rest assured knowing that your tax preparation services are supported by a \$2,500 Tax Preparation Guarantee. This guarantee ensures that your tax return is prepared with the utmost accuracy and attention to detail.

Here at Taxland we have always held ourselves to an incredibly high standard and will continue to do so. Part of that high standard is reflecting on what can be done to better serve our clients. Over the past few years we have seen a need for some additional support in the aforementioned areas. We've decided that this program will provide an additional level of assistance and protection that will only enhance our client's customer service experience. In the past year there have been an increasing number of audits being conducted by both the IRS and at the state level. It is our goal to help our clients navigate these situations with ease and confidence should they arise. If you have any additional questions about this program you can call our office or discuss them when you come in to have your taxes prepared.

Continuation Of Cash Charitable Contribution On Massachusetts State Return:

Full-time resident, part-year resident, and nonresident taxpayers can deduct charitable contributions on their 2024 Massachusetts income tax return. Eligible contributions are subject to the same qualifying parameters as the federal deduction, although donations of household goods and used clothing are ineligible for the Massachusetts deduction.

Clients who are accustomed to taking the standard deduction often neglect to provide their preparers with details on their charitable contributions. However, the Massachusetts deduction doesn't require a taxpayer to federally itemize their deductions.

The main difference between the federal and Massachusetts rules is that the state deduction can only be used to offset certain income. Usually, this includes wages, pensions, business income, rental income, alimony, and gambling/lottery winnings. Excluded from this basket of income are interest (except that which is earned from Massachusetts banks), dividends, short-term capital gains, and long-term capital gains.

Source:

<https://news.bloombergtax.com/tax-insights-and-commentary/massachusetts-charitable-tax-deduction-brings-a-big-opportunity>

TAX SEASON is almost HERE! Contact us to schedule an appointment or to request a tax organizer. Please schedule your appointment early to avoid an extension or late filing. WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU.

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