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Payments of estimated tax

Monday is the deadline for second-quarter payments of estimated tax. The payments of Rhode Island personal income tax would normally be due June 15 -- but that falls on Saturday this year, so the deadline is the next business day: Monday, June 17, 2013.

- June 17 is also the deadline for the second installment of estimated tax for calendar-year payers of corporate tax, franchise tax, bank excise tax, political organization tax, composite income tax, and pass-through withholding.
- In addition, June 17 is the deadline for the second installment of estimated tax for payers of the bank deposits tax, insurance gross premiums tax (admitted carriers), and public service corporation tax.

E-filing nearly 80%

	Tax year 2011	Tax year 2012	Difference
E-filed returns	447,600	461,195	+ 3.04 %
Paper returns	90,183	85,122	- 5.61 %
2-D barcode returns	38,184	31,708	- 16.96 %
Total returns:	575,967	578,025	+ 0.36 %
% of returns e-filed:	77.71%	79.79%	+ 2.68 %

Cumulative figures for tax year 2011 returns filed through June 13, 2012, and tax year 2012 returns filed through June 12, 2013.

More than 79 percent of Rhode Island personal income tax returns have been e-filed so far this year, up a bit from the same point last year – and closer to the 80 percent threshold.

The actual number of e-filed returns rose by about 3 percent. Paper returns dropped by about 6 percent, while returns filed with 2D barcodes fell about 17 percent.

“E-filing benefits taxpayers in so many ways, it’s great to hear that the numbers are up again,” said Rhode Island Tax Administrator David M. Sullivan. “Those taxpayers who are filing on extension this year should absolutely keep e-filing in mind. Electronic filing results in fewer errors, quicker processing, and faster issuing of refunds.”

Tax news in brief

Personal income tax: Still haven’t filed your Rhode Island personal income tax return for tax year 2012? The Division of Taxation’s website has links to [five online tax-preparation programs](#) that eligible taxpayers may use to prepare and file their federal and Rhode Island personal income tax returns at no charge. The programs are still available for tax year 2012 – and will be until the mid-October extended due date.

Guidance forthcoming: The Division of Taxation continues to work on guidance for practitioners and taxpayers about how Rhode Island’s same-sex marriage law will apply to Rhode Island taxes, including the personal income tax. The Division of Taxation expects to issue the guidance this summer or fall, and awaits the U.S. Supreme Court’s decision involving the federal Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA).

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