

Rhode Island Department of Revenue Division of Taxation

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Annual e-file shutdown and switchover began November 26

PROVIDENCE, R.I. – The Rhode Island Division of Taxation has announced the completion of the annual **electronic filing** shutdown and switchover for **Personal Income Tax returns**. The shutdown occurred on **Saturday, November 26, 2022**. This allows the Division time to complete system updates in preparation for the upcoming tax-filing season.

Both Rhode Island and Federal Personal Income Tax Returns filed through electronic filing (e-file) software are impacted by the shutdown.

Individuals seeking to file their Rhode Island Personal Income Tax returns for tax year 2021 can no longer do so electronically. The Division plans to reopen its system to efiling in January 2023, on the same schedule that the Internal Revenue Service will follow for accepting e-filed 1040 returns for the new tax-filing season.

Details

Each year, in accordance with the Internal Revenue Service, and many other states, the Division temporarily halts e-filing acceptance in the fall to prepare the system for the coming filing season. This year, the Rhode Island modernized e-file (MeF) shutdown and cutover followed the IRS's 1040 MeF production shutdown schedule and occurred on Saturday, November 26, 2022. Rhode Island's annual MeF shutdown and switchover this year only impacts Form RI-1040 resident and nonresident Personal Income Tax returns.

Business returns, such as the Form RI-1120C, Form RI-1120S, Form RI-1065, and Form RI-1041 are not impacted by this individual production shutdown. The date for the annual business shutdown will be December 16, 2022 unless the IRS business shutdown for 2022 falls before this date – please refer to IRS guidance and be on the lookout for IRS updates. Additionally, this shutdown does not impact the Division's Taxpayer Portal.

The Rhode Island Division of Taxation, part of the Rhode Island Department of Revenue, is open to the public from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. business days. For more information, contact the Division of Taxation at (401) 574-8829 or see https://tax.ri.gov/about-us/contact-us.