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Widely used tax forms now available for download

Division of Taxation posts forms and schedules in advance of tax-filing season

PROVIDENCE, R.I. – The Rhode Island Division of Taxation has posted a number of forms, schedules, and other documents in advance of the filing season, which will start later this month.

"We urge all taxpayers to file their returns electronically once the filing season opens," said Acting Tax Administrator Neena S. Savage. "In the meantime, we have posted a number of forms on our website for those who may want to get a head start for planning and preparation purposes, and for those who want to get an advance look at what the forms look like," she said. To view the forms, please use the links below.

PERSONAL INCOME TAX -- RESIDENTS

The Rhode Island resident personal income tax form for tax year 2015, Form RI-1040, is now available, along with a number of related items, through the following links:

- Form RI-1040: http://1.usa.gov/1VZRpsT
- Instructions: http://1.usa.gov/1SdE7dh
- Tax rates and worksheets: http://1.usa.gov/1TPDV1m
- Tax tables: http://l.usa.gov/1Q05XYU
- Schedule MU: http://1.usa.gov/1VZS1i3
- Schedule CR: http://l.usa.gov/1SdECDX
- Schedule M: http://l.usa.gov/1OdTSgk
- Schedule U: http://1.usa.gov/1OKPZAV
- Schedule W: http://1.usa.gov/10KQ6wk
- Form RI-1040H: http://1.usa.gov/1P3zeNk

PERSONAL INCOME TAX -- NONRESIDENTS

The nonresident personal income tax form for tax year 2015, Form RI-1040NR, is also available, along with a number of related items, through the following links:

- Form RI-1040NR: http://l.usa.gov/1K9fkPB
- Instructions: http://1.usa.gov/1SdGBbx
- Schedule II: http://1.usa.gov/1TPFLiZ
- Schedule III: http://1.usa.gov/1K9fyX4
- Schedule MU: http://1.usa.gov/1RxcfRu

FIDUCIARY FORMS

The income tax return filed by fiduciaries for certain estates and trusts for tax year 2015, Form RI-1041, is now available, along with a number of related documents, through the following links:

■ Form RI-1041: http://l.usa.gov/10mz1oQ

■ Tax rate schedule: http://1.usa.gov/1K9fR4e

■ Schedule M: http://1.usa.gov/1N38awj

■ Schedule CR: http://1.usa.gov/1JFxEVz

■ Schedule W: http://1.usa.gov/1ZgnHQs

■ Estimated payments: http://1.usa.gov/1K9gk6n

■ Extension with payment: http://1.usa.gov/1mQDnya

■ Form RI-1041MU: http://1.usa.gov/1Zgo1i4

SALES AND USE TAX

The annual sales tax reconciliation form covering 2015, and the annual sales tax permit renewal application, are both due on or before February 1, 2016, and are now available through the following links:

- Reconciliation for most holders of sales tax permits: http://1.usa.gov/1ZnwbL2
- Reconciliation involving short-term residential rentals: http://1.usa.gov/1ZnwbL2
- Reconciliation for liquor stores: http://1.usa.gov/1N38L17
- Reconciliation for certain writers, composers, and artists: http://l.usa.gov/1Rxe5lz
- Sales permit renewal application: http://l.usa.gov/10dWeM5

OTHER FORMS

Some other forms are also now available for download through the following links:

■ Form RI-6238: http://1.usa.gov/1Zgp6q6

■ Form RI W-4: http://1.usa.gov/1K9i9Ah

■ Form RI-1040ES: http://1.usa.gov/1PSmuwa

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE TAX

Mailings to employers began last week to let employers know what their state unemployment insurance tax rate is for 2016. The notices are being mailed in batches; there are approximately 33,000 notices overall. More information about tax rates, the taxable wage base, and the job development fund is available at the Taxation website, http://www.uitax.ri.gov/, and Department of Labor and Training website, http://www.dlt.ri.gov/

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Additional forms, schedules, and other items will soon be available for download from the Division of Taxation website, www.tax.ri.gov. To request that a form be sent to you by mail, call the Division of Taxation's forms desk at (401) 574-8970. For questions about personal income tax, call the Division from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at (401) 574-8829 and choose option 3. Or email: Tax.Assist@tax.ri.gov.