

# Notice 1446

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

## Request Your Economic Impact Payment (EIP)

If you didn't get an EIP and didn't file a federal income tax return for 2018 or 2019, you can go to [IRS.gov/eip](https://www.irs.gov/eip) to use our "Non-Filers Enter Payment Info Here" tool, or you can file a simplified paper tax return to get your EIP. But you must file your simplified tax return by **November 4, 2020**, to get your EIP.

### Who Should File a Simplified Paper Return

You can file a simplified paper Form 1040 or 1040-SR tax return to get your payment, even if you are or were incarcerated, but **only** if **all** these statements are true.

- You haven't filed a tax return for 2018 or 2019.
- You aren't required to file a tax return for 2018 or 2019—typically because your income is too low.
- You have a social security number that lets you work in the United States and was issued before July 15, 2020.
- You can't be claimed as a dependent on someone else's tax return.

### To fill out Form 1040 or 1040-SR and get your payment, follow these steps.

1. Write "EIP2020" on the top of your form.
2. Check the filing status that applies to you.
3. Enter your name, mailing address, and social security number.
  - If you are married and you're filing a joint return for you and your spouse, you must enter your social security number and your spouse's social security number.
  - If you or your spouse was an active member of the U.S. Armed Forces at any time in 2019, you need to enter one spouse's social security number. For the other spouse, you can enter either their social security number or their individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN).
4. In the **Standard Deduction** section, check any of the boxes that apply to you (and your spouse, if you're filing jointly). Remember that if someone else can claim you as a dependent on their tax return, you don't qualify for an EIP.
5. In the **Dependents** section, enter the information about your children who are qualifying children for the EIP. To be qualifying children for the EIP, they must have been age 16 or younger on December 31, 2019, and they must have lived with you for more than half of 2019.

#### Include the following information.

- Your child's full name.
- Their social security number or adoption taxpayer identification number (ATIN).
- Their relationship to you.
- In column 4, you will:
  - Check the "child tax credit" box if your child has a social security number.
  - Check the "credit for other dependents" box if your child has an ATIN.
- 6. Enter \$1 on lines 2b, 7b, and 8b.
- 7. Enter \$0.00 on line 11b.
- 8. Leave every other line in the **Income** and **Tax** sections blank.
  9. If you want your payment deposited directly into your bank, put your bank account information in lines 21b through 21d. The account must be in the name of the filer who is receiving the payment.
  10. If you do not enter bank information, we will mail a check to the address you provided on the form.
  11. Leave the rest of the **Refund** section blank.
  12. Sign your name where it says **Sign Here**. If you are married and filing jointly, your spouse needs to sign too. By signing, you are saying that everything on the form is true, and you will face a penalty if you have lied.
  13. If you have an identity protection personal identification number (also called an IP PIN), enter it in the spaces provided. If you don't have an IP PIN, you can leave those spaces blank.
  14. In addition, a simplified return filer may enter the identifying information of any third-party designee, if applicable, at the bottom of page 2 of Form 1040 or 1040-SR.

### Mail Your Simplified Tax Return

Mail your completed form to the IRS at the following address.

**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service  
Austin, TX 73301-0003**

**Remember, you must mail your form by November 4, 2020, if you want to get your payment.** If you do not receive an EIP, you may be able to claim a recovery rebate credit by filing a 2020 Form 1040 or 1040-SR. See [IRS.gov/eip](https://www.irs.gov/eip).