

# How to Register to Get Your Stimulus Payment

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Congress passed the CARES Act. Under this Act, most Americans will get an Economic Impact Payment from the IRS. Adults can get up to \$1200 and parents will get up to \$500 for each child they have under the age of 17. Most people will get their check automatically. Others will have to register with the IRS. Please read the information in this guide to see if you need to register.

## You should register with the IRS as a non-filer if you:

- **Get benefits from the Social Security Administration (SSI, SS Disability and SS Retirement) and have children under age 17.** The IRS will automatically issue the adult \$1200 payment in the same way that Social Security pays your benefits each month. However, you must register as a non-filer so you will get the \$500 payment for each of your children.
- **Get disability benefits from the US Department of Veterans Affairs and have children under age 17.** The IRS will automatically issue the adult \$1200 payment in the same way that the VA pays your benefits each month. However, you must register as a non-filer so you will get the \$500 payment for each of your children.
- **Did not file taxes in 2018 or 2019.** If you or your spouse had any earned income in

2019, you should file taxes, not register as a non-filer. If you had earned income, you may be eligible for the Earned Income Tax Credit. The EITC can be worth up to \$6557 to families with children and \$529 for filers without qualifying children. You can file your taxes online for free at <https://www.myfreetaxes.com/>

## You DO NOT need to register with the IRS as a non-filer if you:

- **Filed taxes in 2018 or 2019.** You will get the payments for you and your children automatically. The IRS will pay the Economic Impact Payment in the same way they paid your tax refund. If you have new bank information or a new address that you want the IRS to use, you must go to <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/economic-impact-payments> and update your information.

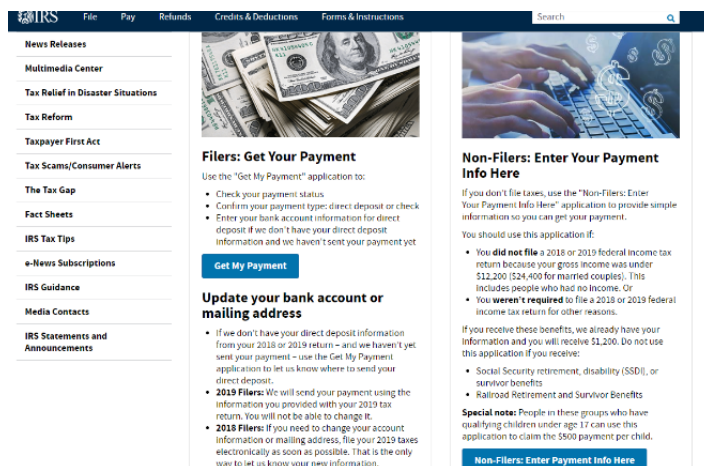
## Before you get started, you should have:

1. Your Driver's License or State ID number – if you do not have either of these, you can still submit the registration to the IRS.
2. SSNs for dependents/minor children.
3. Your bank account number and routing information, if you want the money direct deposited. Right now the portal is not set up to put this payment on a Direct Express card. If you get your SS benefit on a Direct Express card, you should still register now, and choose to get a paper check.
4. An email account. If you do not have an email account, you can easily set up a Gmail account by going to [www.gmail.com](http://www.gmail.com).

## Register as a Non-Filer with the IRS

**STEP 1:** Go to IRS webpage: <https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/economic-impact-payments>

**STEP 2:** On the homepage, choose the blue **Non-filers: Enter Payment Info Here** button. This will take you to the Free File Fillable Forms secure site.

The screenshot shows the IRS website's 'Get My Payment' page. The top navigation bar includes links for 'File', 'Pay', 'Refunds', 'Credits & Deductions', and 'Forms & Instructions'. A search bar is located on the right. The left sidebar contains a list of links: 'News Releases', 'Multimedia Center', 'Tax Relief in Disaster Situations', 'Tax Reform', 'Taxpayer First Act', 'Tax Scams/Consumer Alerts', 'The Tax Gap', 'Fact Sheets', 'IRS Tax Tips', 'e-News Subscriptions', 'IRS Guidance', 'Media Contacts', and 'IRS Statements and Announcements'. The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column is titled 'Filers: Get Your Payment' and includes a 'Get My Payment' button. The right column is titled 'Non-Filers: Enter Your Payment Info Here' and includes a 'Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info Here' button. Both columns contain detailed instructions and bullet points regarding the payment process.

### STEP 3: Click on the **Get Started** button

The screenshot shows the 'Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info' page. On the left is a sidebar with 'Resources' and links for 'FAQs' and 'Return to IRS'. The main content area features the 'freefile' logo and the text 'IT'S FAST. IT'S SAFE. IT'S FREE. This is a Free File Fillable Forms product.' Below this, it states: 'If you don't usually file a tax return, submit your information here to get the Economic Impact Payment'. It explains that if you receive veterans disability compensation, a pension, or survivor benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs, or your income level does not require you to file a tax return, then you need to submit information to the IRS to receive an Economic Impact Payment. It then says 'Complete this free online form so that the IRS can identify you and your dependents, and receive valid direct deposit and address information about you. This information allows the IRS to calculate your eligibility and send you the Economic Impact Payment.' Below this, it says 'Do NOT continue here if:' followed by a bulleted list: '• You receive Social Security, Railroad Retirement, or SSDI benefits. The IRS will automatically send you an Economic Impact Payment.', '• You have already filed a 2019 federal income tax return.', '• Your 2019 gross income exceeded \$12,200 (\$24,400 for a married couple) or other reasons require you to file a 2019 federal tax return.', '• You were married at the end of 2019 and are not submitting information here with your spouse.', '• You were not a U.S. citizen or U.S. permanent resident in 2019.' At the bottom right is a blue 'Get Started' button.

**STEP 4: Create an Account:** Choose a username and password. See below if you want to use the 2-step verification process by entering your phone number. This is not required.

### Create an Account

Create a new account to file a minimal return for the Economic Impact Payment.

**This service is delivered by Intuit. For details on how we process your personal information, see the [Privacy Statement](#).**

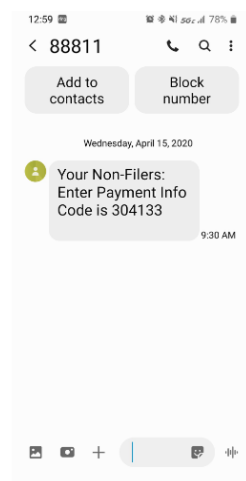
Email address

Confirm email

User ID

Phone (recommended)

2-step verification: For added security, the IRS recommends, but does not require, a 2-step verification. If you do this, enter your phone number on the Create Account page. The “Verify with text message” box will appear with a blue check mark. The IRS will send you a confirmation text with a 6-digit code. You must enter that code to continue the non-filer registration.



The screenshot shows the 'Create an Account or Sign In' page. It has two main sections: 'Check your phone' and 'Or Continue Filing'. The 'Check your phone' section has a blue check mark icon and says 'Enter the verification code we sent you to verify your identity.' Below this, it says 'We sent a code to:' followed by a text box. Then it says 'Enter the 6-digit code' followed by a text box. At the bottom are three buttons: 'Continue', 'Didn't receive a code', and 'Skip'. The 'Or Continue Filing' section has a blue 'Sign In' button and a link that says 'I forgot my user ID or password'.

**STEP 5: Fill Out Your Tax Form.** Enter your name, address, etc and information on your children (your dependents). Enter your bank information if you want to get your money by direct deposit. Right now you cannot register your Direct Express card. You will get your adult payment on your Direct Express card, but the payment for your children will come by a check.

**STEP 6: E-File Your Tax Forms.** Since you did not file taxes last year, you should enter \$0 for last year's AGI.

**STEP 7: Electronic Signature.**

- If you do not have a cell phone number, you can skip this question.
- If you do not have a Driver's License or a State ID, you can skip those questions.

## STEP 8: Verify your Email.

You must verify your email address before you can submit your form to the IRS. The Continue to E-File button at the bottom of the page will not be active until you verify your email account.

Check your email account for an email from the IRS. Click on the “Confirm my account’s email address” link. Follow the instructions. Go back to your account, and the button should now be blue, which means it is active.

----- Original message -----  
From: Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info <customer\_service@freefilefillableforms.com>  
Date: 4/15/20 9:30 AM (GMT-05:00)  
To:  
Subject: Your Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info - Account

### Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info - New Account Confirmation and Email Verification

Thank you for signing up to use Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info. If you wrote down your login information, make sure you store it in a secure location. To complete the sign up process, click on the following link:

[Confirm my account's email address](#)

If the link above does not work, copy and paste the address below into your browser:

[https://www.freefilefillableforms.com/...](https://www.freefilefillableforms.com/)

Email address verification is required to e-file.

IMPORTANT: Save this email. You will need to use this URL to return to Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info and sign into your account.

<https://www.freefilefillableforms.com/#/fd/EconomicImpactPayment>

If you choose to e-file a return, you can track your status by signing into your account, and clicking the “Check E-File Status” button in Step 1 or Step 2 of your return.

Thank you for using Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info.

**STEP 9: Click on the Continue to E-File button to send your form to the IRS.** Now that you have confirmed your email address, the Continue to E-File button will be dark blue. Click on it to send your form to the IRS. A pop-up will appear, and you will need to click, “I Agree.” Then a second pop-up will confirm that your form has been sent.

**STEP 10: Check your email.** You will get an email from Customer Service at Free File Fillable Forms. It will tell you if there is a problem with your form or if it was successfully sent to the IRS. If there is a problem, the email should tell you how to fix it.

----- Original message -----  
From: [customer\\_service@freefilefillableforms.com](mailto:customer_service@freefilefillableforms.com)  
Date: 4/15/20 10:04 AM (GMT-05:00)  
To:  
Subject: Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info - Return Received

Dear Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info customer:

Your Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info return successfully transmitted.

Next steps:

Watch your email. In 24-48 hours, you should receive an email showing whether your filing is accepted or rejected by the IRS.

Your return is not complete until it is accepted by the IRS.

You can also check the status of your return by logging in to your Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info account at <https://www.freefilefillableforms.com/#/fd/EconomicImpactPayment> and selecting the “Check E-File Status” button.



**STEP 11: Check your email again!** The day after you get the email in Step 9, check your email again to make sure the IRS has accepted your form. Congratulations – you are now done with the process to get your stimulus money.

----- Original message -----

From: [customer\\_service@freefilefillableforms.com](mailto:customer_service@freefilefillableforms.com)

Date: 4/15/20 10:26 AM (GMT-05:00)

To:

Subject: Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info - Return Accepted

Dear Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info customer:

Congratulations, the IRS has accepted your Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info return.

Your Submission ID is: #####

If you haven't already, it's always a good idea to print a copy of your return for your records.

Check the IRS website for the latest info on payment timelines at

<https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus>

To confirm your return status, log in to your Non-Filers: Enter Payment Info account at <https://www.freefilefillableforms.com/#/fd/EconomicImpactPayment> and select the "Check E-File Status" button.

**Direct deposits should be available within 10-14 days. Checks will take longer. You can click on the blue "Get My Payment" button on the homepage in STEP 2 above, to check on the status of your payment.**

If you have questions or need legal assistance, please call the Legal Aid line at **(513) 241-9400**