

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Department of Revenue

Massachusetts Department of Revenue

Income Tax Letter of Intent

Tax Year 2025

This form must be completed and submitted to mef@dor.state.ma.us by 12/01/2025.

2025 Tax Software Provider Massachusetts Department of Revenue Letter of Intent

Welcome to the Income Tax Letter of Intent (LOI). If your software company intends to submit electronic and/or paper returns to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue you will need to complete this form and submit it to mef@dor.state.ma.us.

By submitting this Letter of Intent (LOI) to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue, you agree to meet our standards for software provider registration, tax preparation software, and substitute forms. If you do not meet the standards and requirements explained in this LOI or provide an incomplete form, we may deny your application or revoke your approved software provider status and reject all electronic and/or paper returns submitted using your products.

You must complete a separate LOI for each unique product your company offers.

Note: If you are a new Software Provider who has not filed city/state income tax returns with any city or state agencies, you must have passed assurance testing with the IRS. Attach documentation from the IRS demonstrating you have successfully tested with the IRS.

Important dates

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue has important key dates to ensure we are ready for the filing season and taxpayers can file an accurate and timely tax return. Please note the following key dates:

- Complete and submit this LOI by 12/1/2025.
- Assurance testing (ATS) tentatively begins on 12/02/2025.
- E-file tests for New Software Providers filing with the Massachusetts Department of Revenue for the first time must be completed and approved by 01/31/2026.

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Company information

List your company information.

Name of company	Product name	City/State issued software ID (if applicable)
DBA name	NACTP vendor ID	City/State tax account number (if applicable)
Address	Product URL	Company FEIN
City	State	Zip code

List your other product names using the same calculation engines here: **Note:** The same calculation engine is defined as products that use the same calculation engine and support all the same forms and schedules (Attach additional sheet if needed).

IRS issued electronic identification numbers

List your IRS electronic identification numbers.

	EFIN(s)	ETIN(s)	
Individual Tax	Test EFIN(s)	Test ETIN(s)	
	Production EFIN(s)	Production ETIN(s)	
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Business Tax	Test EFIN(s)	Test ETIN(s)	
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Contact information

List the contact information for each area identified.

Regulatory/compliance contact	Phone	Ext.	Email address
Secondary regulatory/compliance contact	Phone	Ext.	Email address
Primary individual MeF contact	Phone	Ext.	Email address
Secondary individual MeF contact	Phone	Ext.	Email address
Primary business MeF contact	Phone	Ext.	Email address
Secondary business MeF contact	Phone	Ext.	Email address
Primary fiduciary (Estate/Trust) MeF contact	Phone	Ext.	Email address
Secondary fiduciary (Estate/Trust) MeF contact	Phone	Ext.	Email address
Primary leads reporting contact	Phone	Ext.	Email address
Secondary leads reporting contact	Phone	Ext.	Email address

Substitute forms registration

Complete this section only if your product will provide substitute forms.

Agency substitute forms software number	r			
Primary individual forms contact	Phone		Ext.	Email address
Secondary individual forms contact	Phone		Ext.	Email address
Primary business forms contact	Phone		Ext.	Email address
Secondary business forms contact	Phone		Ext.	Email address
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Tax types supported				
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Estate/trust/fiduciary tax	e-File		ubstitute form	
Partnership tax	e-File	_=_	ubstitute form	
Corporation	e-File	_=_	ubstitute form	
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Foreign Address			Yes	No
PDF Attachments			Yes	No
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Rebranded software products

Complete this section only if your product is rebranded.

For software to be considered rebranded, changes <u>cannot</u> be made to the software requirements and output(s). As the Software company selling and/or licensing your product to a third-party, it is your responsibility to make sure the rebranded product reflects the current software requirements and output(s). List each of your rebranded products below.

Rebranded product name	ETIN (I.A.)	Contact person	Phone	Ext.	Email address
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Attach additional sheets if needed.

For Rebranded Products, the Massachusetts Department of Revenue has the following requirements:

Rebranded Products are not required to complete e-file ATS/paper form approval.

E-file mandates or requirements

Most of these requirements are summarized in TIR 21-9 and TIR 16-9, including federal XML return is required to be included in the state MeF submission. Mandate information for the Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) is available at our website at: https://www.mass.gov/info-details/dor-e-filing-and-payment-requirements

Forms and schedules supported by tax type (check all that apply)

Check the boxes of the forms and schedules your company supports.

Forms and schedules	Substitute forms	e-file
Individual Income Tax		
Form 1-NR/PY Nonresident/Part-Year Resident Income Tax		
Form 1 Resident Income Tax		
MA Form 1-ES Estimated Tax Payment Voucher		
MA Form EFO Declaration of Paper Filing		
MA Form M-1310 Claim of Refund Due to Deceased Taxpayer		
MA Form M-2210 Underpayment of Estimated Income Tax		
MA Form M-4868 Massachusetts Income Tax Extension Payment Worksheet and Voucher		
MA Form M-8379 Non debtor Spouse Claim and Refund Allocation		
MA Form M-8453 E-File Declaration		

MA Form PV Tax Payment Voucher		
MA Form PWH-WA Performer or Performing Entity Withholding Allocation Form		
MA Schedule B Interest, Dividends and Certain Capital Gains and Losses		
MA Schedule C Profit/Loss from Business		
MA Schedule C-2 Excess Deductions Against Trade or Business Income		
MA Schedule CB Circuit Breaker Credit		
MA Schedule D Long-Term Capital Gains and Losses Excluding Collectibles and pre-1996 installment sales		
MA Schedule DI Dependent Information		
MA Schedule D-IS Long-Term Capital Gains and Losses Excluding Collectibles		
MA Schedule E Reconciliation and Information: Total Supplemental Income and (Loss)		
MA Schedule E-1 Rental Real Estate and Royalty Income and (Loss)		
MA Schedule E-2 Partnership and S Corporation Income and (Loss)		
MA Schedule E-3 Estate, Trust, REMIC and Farm Income and (Loss)		
MA Schedule HC Health Care Information		
MA Schedule HC-CS Health Care Information Continuation Sheet		
MA Schedule INC		
MA Schedule NTSL No Tax Status and Limited Income Credit		
MA Schedule RNR Resident/Nonresident Worksheet		
MA Schedule SC Septic Credit of Repairing or Replacing a Failed Cesspool or Septic System		
MA Schedule X Other Income		
MA Schedule Y Other Deductions		
State 1099-Misc		
State 1099-NEC		
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Estate and Fiduciary Tax		
Form 2 Fiduciary Income Tax Return		
Form 2G Grantor/Owner's Share of a Grantor Type Trust		
MA Form 2-ES Estimated Payment Voucher		
MA Form 2-PV Payment Voucher		
MA Form M-2210F Underpayment of Massachusetts Estimated Income Tax for Fiduciaries		
MA Form M-8453F Fiduciary Tax Declaration for Electronic Filing		
MA Form M-8736 Fiduciary Extension Payment Worksheet and Voucher		
MA Schedule 2K-1 Beneficiary's Massachusetts Information		

MA Schedule B Interest, Dividends and Certain Capital Gains and Losses		
MA Schedule B/R Beneficiary/Remainderman		
MA Schedule D Capital Gains and Losses		
MA Schedule E Rental Income or Loss		
MA Schedule H Expenses and Fiduciary Compensation		
MA Schedule IDD Income Distribution Deduction		
Partnership Tax		
Form 3 Partnership Return of Income		
MA Schedule 3K-1 Partner's Massachusetts Information		
Corporation Excise Tax		
Form 355 Business/Manufacturing Corporation Excise Return		
C Companyation Francisco Tour		
S-Corporation Excise Tax		
Form 355S S-Corporation Excise Return		
MA Schedule S S-Corporation Distributive Income		
MA Schedule SK-1 Shareholder's Massachusetts Information		
Combined Reporting Tax		
Form 355U Excise for Taxpayers Subject to Combined Reporting		
MA Schedule U-CI Combined Income		
MA Schedule U-CS Credits Shared from Other Members		
MA Schedule U-E Massachusetts Unitary or Affiliated Group Income		
MA Schedule U-IC Member's Individual Credits		
MA Schedule U-INS Payment to Insurance Companies Under Common Ownership		
MA Schedule U-M Member's Income and Expenses		
MA Schedule U-MSI Member's Apportioned Share of Group Income		
MA Schedule U-MTI Member's Taxable Income from Sources other than the Unitary Business		
MA Schedule U-NOLS Member's Shared Loss Carryover		
MA Schedule U-ST Member's Separate Computation of Tax		
MA Schedule U-TM Tax by Member		

Composite Tax	
Form MA NRCR Non-Resident Composite Return	
Form M-8453CR Nonresident Composite Return Tax Declaration for Electronic Filing	
Form CRFS Composite Return Filing Statement	
Entity Level Tax	
Form 63D-ELT Entity Level Tax	
Form M-63D EXT Entity -Level Tax Extension Payment Worksheet and Voucher	
Form M-8453ELT 63D Entity Level Tax Declaration for Electronic Filing	
Other Forms and Common Schedules	
Form AA-1 Application for Section 42 Method of Apportionment	
Form 355-7004 Corporate Extension Payment Worksheet and Voucher	
Form 355SC Security Corporation Excise Return	
Form 355SV Taxation of Ships and Vessels	
Form M-2220 Underpayment of Massachusetts Estimated Tax by Corporations	
Form M-8453C Corporate Tax Declaration for Electronic Filing	
MA Schedule 4% Surtax	
MA Schedule 62-WH Massachusetts Personal Income Tax Withholding*	
MA Schedule 63-WH Massachusetts Corporate Excise Withholding*	
MA Schedule A Balance sheet	
MA Schedule ABI Exceptions to the Add Back of Interest Expenses	
MA Schedule ABIE Exceptions to the Add Back of Intangible Expenses	
MA Schedule B Tangible or Intangible Property Corporation Classification	
MA Schedule C Tangible Property Corporation	
MA Schedule CG Combined Reporting Allocation Schedule	
MA Schedule CIR Consolidated Return Income Reconciliation	
MA Schedule CMS Credit Manager Schedule	
MA Schedule CRS Credit Recapture Schedule	
MA Schedule D Intangible Property Corporation	
MA Schedule DRE Disclosure of Disregarded Entity	
MA Schedule E Taxable Income	
MA Schedule E-1 Dividends Deduction	

MA Schedule EC Solar and Wind Energy Credit	
MA Schedule EDIP Refundable Economic Development Incentive Program Credit	
MA Schedule EOAC Economic Opportunity Area Credit	
MA Schedule F Income Apportionment	
MA Schedule FAF Farming and Fisheries Credit	
MA Schedule FCI Foreign Corporation income of U.S. Shareholder	
MA Schedule FE Report with Respect to Foreign Entities	
MA Schedule H Investment Tax Credit	
MA Schedule LP Credit for Removing or Covering Lead Paint on Residential Premises	
MA Schedule M-1 Federal Reconciliation	
MA Schedule NOL Net Operation Loss Carryforward	
MA Schedule OJC Income Tax due to Other Jurisdictions	
MA Schedule RC Research Credit	
MA Schedule RLSC Refundable Life Science Credit Life Science Company	
MA Schedule RNW REIT Net Worth Calculation	
MA Schedule TDS Taxpayer Disclosure Statement	
MA Schedule TTP Tax Treaty Positions	
MA Schedule VP Vanpool Credit	
IRS 1040 Schedule F Profit or Loss from Farming	
IRS 1099-R	
IRS W2	
IRS W2G	

Note: State or federal legislative changes may prompt modifications to forms and/or schedules. Any changes/updates will be communicated via email and posted to the FTA State Exchange System (SES).

Electronic amended returns

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue (DOR) requests that you support electronic amended returns for those available through MeF.

Agency requirements

This section identifies agency requirements and expectations of new and existing Software Providers and the software product.

Issue notification and resolution requirements

This section represents the Massachusetts Department of Revenue issue notification and issue resolution standards.

When an issue has been identified that is or has been affecting the accuracy of accepted returns, the vendor must notify the Massachusetts Department of Revenue immediately to discuss correcting the issue and mitigating its impact.

^{*} New for 2025

Notify the Massachusetts Department of Revenue if any forms and/or payments you support are not ready after agency approval. Submit this information via email to mef@dor.state.ma.us and include the date the electronic or paper product will be ready to submit.

System security requirements

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue does not prescribe the security requirements for your system. You are responsible for implementing appropriate security measures to protect taxpayers and their information in your system. You must apply security measures to protect taxpayer information in your system when it is on-line, off-line, at rest, and in transit.

Security incident requirements

Unless otherwise prohibited by law, all data breaches, security incidents, or other improper disclosures of taxpayer data must be promptly reported to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue and Massachusetts Attorney General's Office.

Production return submission requirements

All returns generated from this software must be e-Filed or printed from the approved software or a subsequent product update.

All MeF returns should include the federal XML return. When the federal return is not supported by the IRS in MeF, a pdf copy of the federal return should be attached to the state submission.

Note: Massachusetts Department of Revenue supports both linked and unlinked returns. The federal return must be included, regardless of whether the return is linked or unlinked.

Returns that are rejected have a 10-day perfection period. When a previously rejected electronic return is "Accepted" within the ten-day Perfection Period, it will be deemed to have been received on the date of the first reject that occurred within that ten-day period.

Product updates

Desktop product users who attempt to file 10 or more business days after a production release must be required to download and apply the product update.

Schemas

Your software must adhere to the schema requirements included in the authentication and return header. The Massachusetts Department of Revenue schema information and requirements can be found at the FTA State Exchange System (SES).

Testing and submissions

All e-file ATS and substitute forms tests submitted during the approval process must be created in, and originate from, the actual software.

Validation of data elements

To ensure the accuracy of the return, all data elements, both pre-populated and data entered, should be validated before the submission of the return.

Software limitations
List any software limitations to forms or schedules you support. If there are additional limitations after completing the
LOI, please provide it before you submit ATS testing. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.
Are there any differences in the forms you support based on the type of software? If yes, please explain the differences.
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Software exceptions
Provide any exceptions to forms or schedules you support based on the type of software during ATS. Example, a DIY
product does not support the same schedules as a professional product. Failure to provide this information could delay
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Customer Notices

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This section identifies information Massachusetts Department of Revenue is requiring the software providers to communicate with customers.

Disclosure and use of information language expectations

You must include the following consent language with electronic filing software.

For Do-It-Yourself software:

By using a computer system and software to prepare and/or file my tax return(s) electronically, I consent to the transmission of my return(s) and to the disclosure of all information about my use of the system and software to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

For Tax Professional software:

By using a computer system and software to prepare and/or file my client's return(s), I consent to the transmission of my client's return(s) and to the disclosure of all information about my use of the system and software to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

For Business software:

By using a computer system and software to prepare and/or file this business tax return(s), I consent to the transmission of the return(s) and to the disclosure of all information about the use of the system and software to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

Driver's license/ID card expectations for individual income tax

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue is providing the following expectations and information:

For e-File returns:

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue requests the DL/ID card be included with the return but will not reject the return if it is not included.

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue is providing a URL for the DL/ID Card. All Do It Yourself (DIY) and Tax Professional software packages must include this information in your software. The message is expected to be displayed within the software in a way to maximize the likelihood the message is read.

URL: https://www.mass.gov/service-details/tips-for-filing-taxes

Refund expectations

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue is providing a URL for refund processing. All Do It Yourself (DIY) and Tax Professional software packages must include this information in your software. The message is expected to be displayed within the software in a way to maximize the likelihood the message is read.

URL: https://www.mass.gov/service-details/tips-for-filing-taxes

Taxes due expectations

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue is providing a URL about taxes due, such as due dates and payment methods. All Do It Yourself (DIY) and Tax Professional software packages must include this information in your software. The message is expected to be displayed within the software in a way to maximize the likelihood the message is read.

URL: https://www.mass.gov/how-to/pay-your-personal-income-tax

Agency questions

This section contains questions the Massachusetts Department of Revenue has for each software provider about its product.

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	es the company push software updates? Are updated periodic (i.e., monthly or weekly) or ad-hoc? they performed on a certain day of the month or week?
What refund	roducts or payment vehicles do you offer your customers? If you partner with
an entity to p	ovide or process refunds (e.g., Amazon.com or other pre-paid cards), please
provide the n	mes and bank routing numbers (RTNs) of each company. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.
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Acknowledgments and signature

By signing this agreement, I agree to provide true, accurate, current, and complete information and my company agrees to all the requirements listed in this document.

The Massachusetts Department of Revenue reserves the right to deny, suspend or terminate my company's ability to submit returns.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE PRINTED NAME	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE EMAIL ADDRESS		
AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE SIGNATURE	AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE PHONE NUMBER Ext.	DATE	

Authorized access to the State Exchange System

Access to the State Exchange System should be limited to those with a business need.

Provide information for each employee you are authorizing for access to the State Exchange System. The tax type box should include all the tax types individuals are authorized to access.

NOTE: Include all authorized individuals, even if listed previously on this form. Attach a separate sheet if necessary

First and last name	Phone number Ext		Email address
	Authorized access e-File Substitute For		Tax types
First and last name	Phone number Ext		Email address
	Authorized access e-File Substitute For		Tax types
First and last name	Phone number Ext		Email address
	Authorized access e-File Substitute For		Tax types
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