# **OKLAHOMA TAX COMMISSION**

Modernized e-File Handbook for Tax Practitioners, EROs, Transmitters, and Software Developers Corporate Income Tax (Form 512) Small Business Corporate Income Tax (Form 512-S) Partnership Income Tax (Form 514) and Fiduciary Income Tax (Forms 513 & 513NR)

Tax Year 2018



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# Introduction

The Oklahoma Tax Commission (OTC), in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), began accepting Oklahoma Corporate Income Tax returns (Form 512) and corresponding forms for tax year 2009 by method of the Modernized e-File system (MeF). During Tax Year 2011, Oklahoma expanded e-file to include the Small Business Corporation Income Tax Returns (Form 512-S). Partnership returns (Form 514) were accepted beginning Tax Year 2014. Fiduciary returns (Form 513 & 513NR) were accepted beginning Tax Year 2015.

The transmission method is a Web Service using Simple Object Access Protocol (SOAP) with attachments messaging. The return data is formatted using Extensible Markup Language (XML). Authorized E-File providers, also known as Electronic Return Originators (ERO's), can submit returns to the IRS MeF system for Federal and state return processing. The State submission can be transmitted as a "linked" return (also referred to as a Fed/State return) or as an "unlinked" return (also referred to as a State Standalone return). Each return (Linked or Unlinked) must be in a separate submission. Multiple submissions may be contained in a single message payload. Software developers must test with OTC prior to submitting live Fed/State or State Standalone returns.

# Oklahoma Electronic Filing Calendar

**Corporate Income Tax Returns (Forms 512, 512S, 513, 513NR & 514)** 

Begin Software Testing TBD

Begin Transmitting Returns TBD

Note: Oklahoma's target dates for testing and production will be a few days after the IRS opens.

# **Publications**

Use this handbook in conjunction with the following publications. The Oklahoma Tax Commission conforms to all requirements, rules and regulations set forth by the IRS. Oklahoma publications are not intended to alter or amend the IRS requirements.

IRS Publication 3112 – IRS e-file Application and Participation

IRS Publication 5078 – *Modernized e-File (MeF) Test Package* 

IRS Publication 4163 – Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns

IRS Publication 4164 – Modernized e-File (MeF) Guide for Software Developers and Transmitters

Oklahoma 512 Packet - Corporate Income Tax return and instructions

Oklahoma 512-S Packet - Small Business Corporate Income Tax return and instructions

Oklahoma 513 Packet - Fiduciary Resident Income Tax Forms and Instructions

Oklahoma 513NR Packet - Fiduciary Nonresident Income Tax Forms and Instructions

Oklahoma 514 Packet – Partnership Income Tax Forms and Instructions

Oklahoma Business Rules

Oklahoma MeF Schemas (For Software Developers)

Oklahoma Test Package for Electronic Filing of Corporate Income Tax Returns (For Software Developers)

# Changes to 2018 Income Tax

Changes to the forms, which may be transmitted electronically, are listed under the applicable form. For other changes, see the section titled "Miscellaneous"

# Form 512 "Corporation Income and Franchise Tax Return" and Form 512-S "Oklahoma Small Business Corporation Income and Franchise Tax Return

Making an Oklahoma installment payment pursuant to IRC Section 965(h) - If a taxpayer elected to make installment payments of tax due pursuant to the provisions of subsection (h) of Section 965 of the Internal Revenue Code, such election may also apply to the payment of Oklahoma income tax, attributable to the income upon which such installment payments are based. Add the installment payment to the Oklahoma income tax and enter a "2" in the box on Form 512, Section One, line 2 or Form 512-S, Part One, Section One, line 2. 68 O.S. Sec. 2368(K)

The Oklahoma Capital Gain Deduction, from Form 561C or 561S, will be entered on a separate line on the tax return.

- The capital gain deduction from Form 561C will be entered on Form 512, Part 1, line 25 or Part 2, line 6d.
- The capital gain deduction from Form(s) 561S will be entered on Form 512-S, Part One, Section One, line 1b.

<u>Donations from Refund</u> - (Form 512, Section Three, line 28 and Form 512-S, Part One, Section Three, line 29)

- The income tax refund check-off for *Support the Wildlife Diversity Fund* was added back to individual tax returns.
- Support of the Oklahoma National Guard and Support of Programs for Regional Food Banks of Oklahoma were not reauthorized and therefore deleted.

# Form 513 "Oklahoma Resident Fiduciary Return of Income" and Form 513NR "Oklahoma Nonresident Fiduciary Return of Income"

Making an Oklahoma installment payment pursuant to IRC Section 965(h) - If a taxpayer elected to make installment payments of tax due pursuant to the provisions of subsection (h) of Section 965 of the Internal Revenue Code, such election may also apply to the payment of Oklahoma income tax, attributable to the income upon which such installment payments are based. Add the installment payment to the Oklahoma income tax and enter a "3" in the box on Form 513, Part 1, line 25 or Form 513-F, Part 1, line 29. 68 O.S. Sec. 2368(K)

The Oklahoma Capital Gain Deduction, from Form 561F or 561NR-F, will be entered on a separate line on the tax return.

- The capital gain deduction from Form 561F will be entered on Form 513, Part 1, line 17.
- The capital gain deduction from Form 561NR-F will be entered on Form 513NR, Part 1, line 16.

## Form 514 "Oklahoma Partnership Income Tax Return"

Making an Oklahoma installment payment pursuant to IRC Section 965(h) - If a taxpayer elected to make installment payments of tax due pursuant to the provisions of subsection (h) of Section 965 of the Internal Revenue Code, such election may also apply to the payment of Oklahoma income tax, attributable to the income upon which such installment payments are based. Add the installment payment to the Oklahoma income tax and enter a "2" in the box on Form 514, Part 1, lline 2. 68 O.S. Sec. 2368(K)

An Oklahoma Capital Gain Deduction check-box was added for Form 514, Part 1, line 1. The box will be checked when a nonresident partner's income (Form 514-PT, Column C or F) includes an Oklahoma capital gain deduction (Form 561P).

### Form 506 "Investment/New Jobs Credit

Effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2016 and ending on or before December 31, 2018, no more than \$25 million of credit may be allowed as an offset in a taxable year. The percent to which the credit will be limited has yet to be determined. Note: This limitation will not apply to 2018 fiscal year returns with tax years ending in 2019.

## Form 511CR "Other Credits Form"

The following income tax credits have been amended:

- Oklahoma Investment /New Jobs Credit -
  - Effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2016 and ending on or before December 31, 2018, no more than \$25 million of credit may be allowed as an offset in a taxable year. The percent to which the credit will be limited has yet to be determined. Note: This limitation will not apply to 2018 fiscal year returns with tax years ending in 2019.
  - Check-boxes were added to indicate whether the credit is based on an investment in depreciable property (Investment Credit) or an increase in full-time employees (New Jobs Credit).
- Credit for Electricity Generated by Zero-Emission Facilities Check-boxes were added to indicate whether the renewable resource used to generate electricity was "Wind" or "Moving Water, Sun or Geothermal Energy".
- Credit for the Construction of Energy Efficient Homes The grey shading and the "Not Applicable" was removed from Column B to allow for a transferred credit to be entered. This field was greyed-out last year in error.

'Notes' with information concerning state-wide caps were added to the following credits:

- Coal Credit Has an overall statewide cap of \$5 million.
- Credit for Railroad Modernization Has an overall statewide cap of \$2 million.
- Credit for Biomedical Research Contributions Has an overall statewide cap of \$1 million.
- Credit for Cancer Research Contribution Has an overall statewide cap of \$1 million.

The following credits have been eliminated and are no longer on the form:

- Credit for Employers Providing Child Care Programs
- Credit for Commercial Space Industries
- Dry Fire Hydrant Credit

# Form 561C, 561F, 561P, 561S, & 561NR-F "Oklahoma Capital Gain Deduction" for corporations, trust and estates, nonresident partners, and nonresident shareholders.

A box was added to each line to capture the type of property being sold. The instructions contain a numbered list of the different types of property. The number which corresponds to the type of property sold is to be entered in the box.

## Form 577 "Refundable Coal Credit"

The following note was added to page 2 - Note: The credit has an overall cap. No more than \$5 million of credit may be allowed to offset tax or be refunded in a taxable year. For tax year 2018, the full amount of the statutory credit is available.

## Form 578 "Refundable Credit for Electricity Generated by Zero-Emission Facilities

Check-boxes were added to indicate whether the renewable resource used to generate electricity was "Wind" or "Moving Water, Sun or Geothermal Energy".

## Miscellaneous

<u>Form EF-V</u> "Business Filers Income Tax Payment Voucher" - The size of Voucher was reduced. When the voucher is cut where indicated, it will now fit into a #10 envelope (4 1/8" X 9 1/2") without being folded. The voucher is now at the bottom of the page, instead of the top.

Form 512E "Oklahoma Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax" –

- If a taxpayer elected to make installment payments of tax due pursuant to the provisions of subsection (h) of Section 965 of the Internal Revenue Code, such election may also apply to the payment of Oklahoma income tax, attributable to the income upon which such installment payments are based. Add the installment payment to the Oklahoma income tax and enter a "3" in the box on Form 512E, line 5 68 O.S. Sec. 2368(K)
- The Oklahoma Capital Gain Deduction, Form 561C, will be entered on a Form 512E, line 3.
- Donations from Refund (Form 512E, line 15)
  - o The income tax refund check-off for *Support the Wildlife Diversity Fund* was added back to individual tax returns.
  - o Support of the Oklahoma National Guard and Support of Programs for Regional Food Banks of Oklahoma were not reauthorized and therefore deleted.

See the 2018 Legislative Update located on our website for a complete list of legislative changes.

# **Contact Information**

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Physical address: Oklahoma Tax Commission

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# **Acceptance and Participation**

<u>EROs</u> and <u>transmitters</u> must be approved with the IRS in order to submit Fed/State or State Standalone returns. You do not need to register with OTC. Upon IRS approval for electronic filing, you are automatically approved for Oklahoma.

<u>Software Developers</u> must register by completing Form D-106 "2018 Tax Software Provider Letter of Intent". You may download test returns from the State Exchange System. We will open for testing a few days after the IRS. When test returns are submitted, please e-mail the submission IDs to <a href="mailto:jkorthanke@tax.ok.gov">jkorthanke@tax.ok.gov</a>. We do not automatically pull submissions in our test environment. Include in the subject of the e-mail the name of the product being tested.

# **Types of Returns Accepted**

## Linked (Fed/State)

The Federal and state submissions do not have to be transmitted to MeF together. A state submission can be linked to the Federal submission by including the Submission ID of the Federal return in the state manifest. If the state submission is linked to a Federal submission (also referred to as a Fed/State return), the IRS will check to see if there is an accepted Federal submission under that Submission ID.

If there is not an accepted Federal return, the IRS will deny the state submission and an acknowledgement will be sent. Oklahoma will have no knowledge that the state return was denied (rejected ) by the IRS.

If there is an accepted Federal return under that Submission ID, then the IRS will do minimal validation on the state submission and pass along to the state what the ERO/Transmitter sends in the State submission. Oklahoma will generate the acknowledgement for the Oklahoma return and send it to the MeF system for the transmitter to retrieve.

## Unlinked (State Standalone)

If the ERO/Transmitter does not link the state return to a previously-accepted Federal return (also referred to as State Standalone), the IRS will perform minimal validation and will pass along to the state the entire state submission that was sent in by the ERO/taxpayer. The state return is made up of the Oklahoma return and applicable Federal return; the taxpayer is required to provide both components. Oklahoma will generate the acknowledgement for the Oklahoma return and send it to the MeF system for the transmitter to retrieve.

# What Can be Transmitted Electronically

The Oklahoma electronic return will consist of data transmitted as well as supporting PDFs. In total, an electronic return contains the same information as a comparable return filed entirely on paper.

The following is a list of all of the XML forms that Oklahoma accepts electronically. Software Developers are not required to support all of the supplemental forms that Oklahoma accepts electronically.

#### Income Tax Return

- Form 512 Oklahoma Corporate Income Tax Return
- Form 512-S Oklahoma Small Business Corporate Income Tax Return
- Form 513 Oklahoma Fiduciary Resident Income Tax Return
- Form 513NR Oklahoma Fiduciary Nonresident Tax Return
- Form 514 Oklahoma Partnership Income Tax Return

## Supplemental Forms

- Form 512-FT Computation of Oklahoma Consolidated Annual Franchise Tax
- Form 512-TI Computation of Oklahoma Consolidated Taxable Income
- Form 514-PT Oklahoma Partnership Composite Income Tax Supplement
- Form 511CR Other Credits Form
- Form 561C Oklahoma Capital Gain Deduction for Corporations Filing Form 512
- Form 561F Oklahoma Capital Gain Deduction for Trusts and Estates Filing Form 513
- Form 561P Oklahoma Capital Gain Deduction for the Nonresident Partner included in the Composite Return (Form 514, Part 1)
- Form 561S Oklahoma Capital Gain Deduction for Nonresident Shareholder Whose Income is reported on Form 512-S, Part 1
- Form 561NR-F Oklahoma Capital Gain Deduction for Trusts and Estates Filing Form 513NR

- Forms 506 Investment/New Jobs Credit (A current year form plus a form for each of the previous four years.)
- Form OW-8-P Underpayment of Estimated Tax Worksheet
- Form 567-A Credit for Investment in Clean-Burning Motor Vehicle Fuel Property
- Form 577 Refundable Coal Credit
- Form 578 Refundable Credit for Electricity Generated by Zero-Emission Facilities
- Form 500-A Information Return Production Payments (Use this form if it shows Oklahoma withholding.)
- Form 500-B Information Return Report of Nonresident Member Income Tax Withheld (Use this form if it shows Oklahoma withholding.)
- State Form 1099Misc Miscellaneous Income (Use this form if not part of the federal return and it shows Oklahoma withholding.)

**Note:** Any of the above supplemental forms that a Developer does not support as XML data should be attached as pdf documents.

## **Amended Returns**

Amended returns may be electronically filed. The Amended Return check-box must be marked or the return will be rejected as a duplicate filing.

# **Submission/Return Type**

Accepted Values for the State Submission Type in the Manifest and the Return Type in the Return Header are:

 $OK512Sep-For\ a\ separate\ corporate\ return\ (In\ the\ schema\ this\ is\ OK512Single)$ 

OK512Con – For a consolidated corporate return (In the schema this is OK512)

OK512S – For an S corporation return (In the schema this is OK512S) \*

OK513 - For a Resident Fiduciary return (In the schema this is OK513)

OK513NR – For a Nonresident Fiduciary return (In the schema this is OK513NR)

OK514 – For a partnership return (In the schema this is OK514)

## **Attachments to the Electronic Return**

The tax return may also include non-XML documents, known as "binary attachments", submitted in PDF format. These attachments include items from the following sources:

- Form 512-SA Nonresident Shareholder Agreement (must have an original signature)
- Form/Schedule not supported any Oklahoma forms or schedules which are required to be filed with the return, but not supported in XML format.
- Supporting documentation any supporting documentation required to be submitted with a form.
- Additional information any additional information that needs to be filed with the return.

Approved MeF tax preparation software should provide the necessary instructions for creating, scanning or exporting documents in PDF format and submitting these documents as attachments that are required by Oklahoma and IRS publications, Code, and/or Regulations. Preparers will

<sup>\*</sup>If using OK512-S, change to OK512S. Do not use the hyphen.

create the binary attachments as pdf documents and submit them as electronic files attached to the MeF return.

# **Copy of Federal Return Required**

The complete Federal return and the necessary supporting schedules as submitted to the IRS are required to be submitted with the Oklahoma return. If the taxpayer is included in the Federal return of a consolidated group, a copy of the pro-forma Federal return for the company must be included along with the first four pages of the consolidated Federal return and the consolidating income statement, balance sheet and schedule M-1/M-3 including applicable detailed schedules. The Federal return must be in XML, providing only a PDF attachment will cause the submission to be rejected.

# What Cannot be Transmitted Electronically

Oklahoma follows the IRS guidelines for MeF exclusions (Refer to IRS Publication 4164). In addition to the IRS guidelines, the following types of returns are excluded from electronic filing:

- Returns with cent entries
- Returns for any year other than the current and two prior tax years.

# **Signature Document (Form EF)**

The Form EF must be completed and signed by all required parties.

- The original is to be retained by the ERO, along with a copy of the e-Filed return, for 3 years and made available to OTC upon request. All EROs will be subject to periodic reviews by OTC to ensure the paperwork is being retained.
- The taxpayer must be provided with a copy of the Form EF along with documentation of all completed Oklahoma forms and schedules filed for the taxpayer. This documentation may be furnished on official Oklahoma forms, on copies of official forms, or on software designed forms that have been approved by OTC.

Entry of the Taxpayer's Personal Identification Number (PIN) or use of an electronic signature pad (as authorized by the Internal Revenue Service) in the electronic filing process operated by the IRS shall service as an "electronic signature". Entry of the taxpayer's PIN or use of an electronic signature pad as signature will only be allowed on a linked (Fed/State) electronically-filed return. Use of a PIN will not be allowed on an unlinked (State Standalone) return.

# **Acknowledgement System**

The Tax Commission will generate an acknowledgement of acceptance or rejection for all returns received. The acknowledgment record will be in a format approved and agreed upon the IRS, state agencies, transmitters and software developers.

Transmitters and software developers should allow 1 business day to receive the state acknowledgment before contacting the Tax Commission.

A return is not considered filed until an acknowledgement of acceptance has been received.

# **Timeliness of Filing**

All prescribed due dates for filing of returns apply to MeF returns. If any due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday when OTC's offices are closed, the return must be filed by the next business day.

# Other Guidelines

ExplanationStatement element –

The Explanation Statement may be used to provide additional information. For example the taxpayer wants to elect to forego the Oklahoma Net Operating Loss carryback period. The <ExplanationStatement> element may be used for this election.

## **Balance Due Returns**

Taxpayers who file their return electronically can elect to pay their balance due by four different methods. The taxpayer is responsible for paying the amount due OTC when a return is filed or no later than the original due date.

• <u>Direct debit</u> (electronic funds withdrawal), for a full or partial payment when filing their return and choose an effective date.

Taxpayers may have their payments directly withdrawn from their checking or savings account. The bank routing and account numbers, the amount to be withdrawn and the date the funds are to be withdrawn must be supplied as part of the e-Filed return.

The RequestedPaymentDate in the StatePayment section of the FinancialTranscation is used to indicate an ACH Debit's Effective Date. Holidays and weekends are not valid effective dates.

Oklahoma does not accept International ACH Transactions (IAT) at this time. If the IAT indicator field is marked, the taxpayer should submit the balance due by another means.

• <u>Electronic Funds Transfer</u> (EFT) ACH Debit.

Taxpayers can choose to have their payment directly withdrawn from their checking or savings account via the OTC website. Visit the "Online Services" section at www.tax.ok.gov.

• Credit Card Payment

Credit card payments may be made through the OTC website. Visit the "Online Services" section at <a href="www.tax.ok.gov">www.tax.ok.gov</a>. Please be aware a convenience fee will be added to the transaction.

• Check or money order accompanied by payment Form EF-V

Checks or money orders should accompany the Form EF-V and be mailed to the OTC at the following address:

Oklahoma Tax Commission

Electronic Filing

PO Box 26890

Oklahoma City OK 73126-0890

Do not mail a copy of the tax return with the payment.

If the taxpayer is making a partial payment, a billing coupon will be sent for the balance due at which time the taxpayer will have the option of paying the remaining balance in full, or making the minimum payment until the balance is paid in full.

# **Refund Returns**

Taxpayers have three options when their return shows an overpayment of tax. They may elect to have any or all of their overpayment:

- Direct deposited into a checking or savings account. The bank routing and account numbers must be supplied as part of the e-Filed return. **Note**: Due to the electronic banking rules, the Oklahoma Tax Commission will not allow direct deposits to or through foreign financial institutions. The taxpayer will be issued a paper check.
- Applied to next year's estimated tax
- Donated to a variety of Oklahoma organizations. See the 512 or 512-S instructions for a list of the organizations.

Taxpayers should first confirm acknowledgment of their Oklahoma return with their practitioner or transmitter. Tax preparers should wait at least 7 days from the date of acknowledgment before contacting the OTC about their refund.

# **Changes to Electronic Returns**

After an electronic return is acknowledged as accepted, it cannot be recalled, intercepted or changed in any manner. If either the ERO or taxpayer wishes to change any entries on an accepted electronic return, an amended return must be filed.

Name, address or FEIN changes may be made by contacting the Corporate Section of our Compliance Division. Contact the Section by phone at (405) 521-3126, fax at (405) 522-3283, or by mail at Oklahoma Tax Commission, Corporate-Compliance Division, PO Box 269054, Oklahoma City OK 73126-9054. Be sure and include your name and telephone number on any correspondence.

# **Responsibilities of Electronic Filers**

The guidelines in IRS Publications must be followed for Oklahoma Electronic Filing.

### • Penalties for Disclosure or Use of Information

Guidelines outlined in Section 6, IRS Revenue Procedure 93-8 should be followed, as well as Title 68, Section 205 Oklahoma Statutes.

## • Penalties for Late Filing, Late Payment and Fraudulent Returns

This provision provides due notice that all penalties, interest and criminal provisions which are applicable for paper returns, are also applicable for electronic returns. Specifically, penalty and interest on tax for late filing and/or late payment will be assessed.

Penalties will be assessed for any person filing a fraudulent or misleading return. Additionally any person who willfully subscribes or presents a fraudulent return will be subject to prosecution and the penalties.

- \* Other criminal provisions will be applicable to the extent that a person attempts to commit forgery and falsify signatures on any electronic filing form or check
- \* Any attempt to pass bad checks for payment of taxes will be prosecuted.

## • Advertising Standards

Guidelines in IRS Publications and Revenue Procedure 93-8, Sec 12.01 through 03 and 05 through 09 must be followed for Oklahoma MeF, as though references to the IRS or Service were references to the OTC, State of Oklahoma, or the State and references to the FMS or Treasury Seals were references to the State of Oklahoma Seal.

### • Monitoring and Suspension of an Electronic Filer

The OTC will monitor electronic filers for conformity to this publication. Under the MeF Program, the OTC can recommend suspension of an electronic filer for due cause through the local IRS District Office Coordinator.

Note: Warning letters, suspension and rejection from electronic filing will be administered by the local IRS District Director.