

Maine Revenue Services Payment Plans

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Payment Plans

File return by the due date and pay what you can

Maine law imposes interest and penalties for late payment of your taxes. Any amount you can pay at the time of filing will reduce interest and penalty accrual

- Current interest rate is 7% compounded monthly
- Failure to pay penalty 1% per month up to 25%
- Failure to pay upon demand penalty 25% of the tax due at the time of the demand notice



Payment Plans

Call Maine Revenue Services (MRS) to discuss payment plan options

Individual Income Tax

- 207-621-4300 Local
- 800-987-7735 Long Distance.

Business Taxes

• 207-624-9595



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Generally, MRS may only speak directly with the taxpayer due to State and Federal confidentiality laws

If you would like to have someone speak with MRS on your behalf, a Power of Attorney (POA) form, Form 2848-ME, will give MRS permission to discuss confidential tax information with your representative:

www.maine.gov/revenue/taxes/compliance



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Be prepared with a dollar amount you can pay each month. A down payment will be requested, which may allow the first payment due date to be in 30 days; otherwise, the first payment will be due in two weeks

Selecting the shortest timeframe possible will reduce interest and penalty accrual

Financial institutions may be a less expensive option

- Lower interest rates possible
- No penalty accrual



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Some payment plans require the taxpayer to complete a Personal Financial Statement. This helps determine the terms and length of a payment plan

 Personal Financial Statement forms are available at <u>www.maine.gov/revenue/taxes/compliance</u>

Future tax returns must be filed and paid timely

State and Federal refunds will be applied to the outstanding liability during the payment plan

• Regular payment plan payments must continue, unless the refund pays off the balance



Payment Options

Use the on-line EZPay system to make payments directly from a checking or savings account

<u>https://portal.maine.gov/ezpay/welcome</u>

Setup recurring payments with a MRS representative

Make a credit or debit card payment over the phone by directly contacting the representative you setup the payment plan with

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Mail payments by check to Maine Revenue Services

 Maine Revenue Services PO Box 9101 Augusta, ME 04332-9101



Final Notes

One of the most important things you can do as a taxpayer is to remain in contact with MRS about your tax situation

- Contact MRS as soon as you are aware of a tax liability you are unable to pay by the due date
- Stay in contact throughout the process
- Notify MRS of any changes to your phone number, mailing address, or email address



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Contact Information

- Individual income tax: 207-621-4300 or 800-987-7735
- Business tax: 207-624-9595
- Email: <u>compliance.tax@maine.gov</u>

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