



# MAINE TAX ALERT

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## **MRS Announces Completion of the State Tax Administration & Revenue System (STARS)/ Maine Tax Portal (MTP) Project**

MRS is pleased to announce the successful completion of the STARS/MTP project. The STARS/MTP project was a major information technology initiative that replaced MRS’ outdated computer systems with a single, modern, and integrated tax system. Planning and development for the project began more than seven years ago and the switch to the STARS system was implemented over the last four years. All 48 Maine tax types and programs will be administered in STARS to better secure taxpayer data and to empower taxpayers and tax professionals with significantly expanded self-service capabilities via the MTP.

For more information about STARS and the MTP, visit [revenue.maine.gov](https://revenue.maine.gov).

### **MTP, Free Training Available**

Sign up today for **free**, live webinar training offered by MRS! Topics include:

- Special Fuel & Gasoline Excise Tax
- Fuel Tax Refund Programs
- Gasoline Shrinkage
- Real Estate & Controlling Interest Transfer
- UT Excise Tax (Collectors Only)
- Unorganized Territory Property Tax

To learn more and register for live webinar training, or to view other pre-recorded instructional videos, visit [maine.gov/revenue/portal](https://maine.gov/revenue/portal).

### **2024 Maine Tax Practitioner Institute and 2024 Maine Tax Forum** (presented by SCORE Maine)

SCORE Maine presents two annual educational programs that provide tax preparers, enrolled agents, CPAs, and legal professionals with updated information about annual changes in Maine and Federal tax laws. The Tax Practitioner Institute (“TPI”) and the Maine Tax Forum (“MTF”) both provide continuing education credits.

The **Tax Practitioner Institute** will be held on Wednesday, October 23, 2024. Register today at <https://shorturl.at/zsntJ>

The 2024 **Maine Tax Forum** will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, November 6 and 7, 2024. Register today at <https://shorturl.at/vJgY8>.

## **Careers and Internships at MRS**

MRS’s mission is to fairly and efficiently administer the State’s tax laws with integrity and professionalism.

MRS is looking for smart, motivated, and team-oriented people to join our team. Benefits include:

- Qualifying employer for federal student loan forgiveness
- Tuition reimbursement for continuing education (including CPA exam)
- Public service
- Competitive salary
- MainePERS retirement plan and deferred compensation
- Generous insurance and paid leave (including all state holidays)
- Flexible spending accounts and longevity pay
- Gym membership reimbursement

Regularly posted, full-time positions at MRS include the Tax Examiner and Revenue Agent positions. Click the following link for more information about these positions: <https://apps.web.maine.gov/cgi-bin/bhrsalar/jobs.pl>.

Click the following link for more information about careers and paid internships and to sign up to receive notifications of new MRS job openings: [maine.gov/revenue/careers](https://maine.gov/revenue/careers).

### **MRS Contact Information:**

A complete list of MRS contact information is available at [maine.gov/revenue](https://maine.gov/revenue).

This publication is designed to keep taxpayers, tax practitioners, and the general public informed of developments, problems, questions and matters of general interest concerning Maine tax law, policy, and procedure. The articles in this newsletter are not designed to address complex issues in detail, and they are not a substitute for Maine tax laws and/or regulations.

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