

FREE TAX FILING FOR MARYLANDERS

FILE DIRECTLY WITH THE IRS AND MARYLAND AT NO COST

A FACT SHEET
ABOUT TAXES

Direct File is the new online tax filing service from the **Comptroller of Maryland** and the **Internal Revenue Service (IRS)** which allows eligible taxpayers to prepare and electronically file their tax returns online, for free, directly with the government. There are no hidden fees or additional charges.

Beginning with the 2025 tax season, Marylanders will be able to use Direct File to file their state and federal taxes online for free. Eligible, full-time Maryland residents will be able to seamlessly file their state returns following completion of their federal return in Direct File.



Scan for more the most up-to-date information on Maryland and Direct File

www.marylandtaxes.gov/directfile

Who can use Direct File?

Beginning in the 2025 Tax Season, full-time Maryland residents filing simple tax returns are eligible. Consider using Direct File if you will be reporting wages from the following sources:

- Income from your employer (W-2)
- Social Security income (SSA-1099)
- Unemployment compensation (1099-G)
- Interest Income (1099-INT)
- Pension and annuity income (excluding IRAs) (1099-R)

How to determine eligibility

At the beginning of tax season 2025, visit directfile.irs.gov to check your eligibility. Taxpayers who are not eligible will be connected to alternative filing options.

Both tax filers with an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) who have previously filed taxes and tax filers with a Social Security Number (SSN) can participate regardless of previously filing taxes.

In 2025, filing your taxes can be as easy as these four steps...

Step

1

Determine your eligibility at directfile.irs.gov.



Step

2

Complete your federal tax return.

Step

3

Answer a few more questions to complete your state return.

Step

4

File your federal and state tax returns for free!

Simple, secure, and always free.

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For more information visit www.marylandtaxes.gov



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