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**Who needs to file and pay estimates:**

Every individual or married couple filing a joint Iowa return that expects to have a tax liability of \$200 or more from income not subject to withholding.

Each individual required to make estimated payments must file an estimated payment under his/her name and Social Security Number.

**Due dates:**

If any date falls on a weekend, federal holiday, or legal holiday as defined in Iowa Code section 4.1(34), substitute the next regular business day.

For fiscal year filers, the dates for paying the estimated tax are the last day of the fourth, sixth, and ninth months of the fiscal year, and the last day of the first month of the next fiscal year.

**How to compute estimated taxes:**

Compute estimated tax by using one of the following methods:

- Pay 5% of the anticipated Iowa gross income; or
- Pay 100% of the prior year's Iowa tax liability from IA 1040, line 53, less applicable credits; or
- Pay 110% if prior year's federal adjusted gross income plus any bonus depreciation adjustment/section 179 from IA 1040, line 14 exceeded \$150,000; or
- Complete the traditional worksheet provided on page 2.

**Overpayment credit:**

If you had a refund on your 2016 Iowa income tax return and elected to apply it as a credit to your estimated tax, the amount is automatically posted as an estimated credit for 2017. Use the Estimated Tax Payment Schedule to record and apply the credit. If the credit equals or exceeds the first estimated payment, do not send an estimated voucher until a payment is due.

**Amending estimated tax:**

If your income changes during the year, adjust the estimated tax for the remaining quarters accordingly.

**Underpayment of estimated tax:**

A penalty for underpayment of estimated tax may apply if sufficient estimated payments are not submitted, regardless of the computation method used in calculating the estimated tax liability. Please see IA 2210 form for penalty exceptions.

**EXCEPTIONS:**

**Nonresidents**

Iowa law provides that nonresidents whose income from Iowa sources is other than wages have the option of having Iowa income tax withheld or paying estimated income tax. If paying estimated tax is preferred, a release from withholding must be obtained prior to receipt of income. Complete the Nonresident Request for Release from Withholding form (44-017). To obtain this form, see the [Department website \(https://tax.iowa.gov\)](https://tax.iowa.gov). Submit the form with the tax payment and installment voucher to the Department at the address on the voucher. A release may then be furnished to the payer from the Department, based on the information provided.

**Farmers and Fishers**

If 2/3 or more of estimated gross income is from farming or commercial fishing, two additional options are available.

- Pay the estimated tax in one payment on or before January 15, 2018, and file the Iowa income tax return by April 30, 2018; or
- File the Iowa income tax return and pay the tax due in full on or before March 1, 2018.

Those qualifying to make fewer than four estimated payments should use the installment voucher for the quarter from which the Iowa-source income was generated.

**Note:** If any date falls on a weekend, federal holiday, or legal holiday as defined in Iowa Code section 4.1(34), substitute the next regular business day.

**Low income exemption from tax:**

**Taxpayers 65 years of age or older:** You are exempt if: (1) You are single and your income is \$24,000 or less, or (2) Your filing status is other than single and your combined income is \$32,000 or less.

**Note:** The amount of any pension exclusion or Reportable Social Security Benefits must be added back to income for purposes of determining the low income exemption. Only one spouse must be 65 or older to qualify for the exemption.

**Taxpayers under 65:** You are exempt if: (1) Your income is less than \$5,000 and you are claimed as a dependent on another person's Iowa return, or (2) You are single and your income is \$9,000 or less and you are not claimed as a dependent on another person's Iowa return, or (3) Your filing status is other than single and your combined income is \$13,500 or less.

If opting to use one of the methods other than the traditional worksheet, proceed to number 21 of the traditional worksheet under "Quarterly Estimated Tax Computation."

**Traditional Worksheet - for taxpayer record ONLY**

1. Net income. Gross income minus adjustments.  
Report income for both spouses if filing a joint Iowa return.....1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Federal income tax paid less federal income tax refund .....2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Balance. Subtract line 2 from line 1 .....3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Estimated deductions. Enter (a) total estimated itemized deductions or (b) standard deduction. Enter \$2,000 single or \$4,920 joint. ....4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Taxable income. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If less than zero, you do not owe estimated income tax .....5. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Compute income tax using 2017 Tax Rate Schedule below. ....6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Iowa lump-sum tax.....7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Iowa Alternative Minimum Tax.....8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Total estimated tax liability. Add lines 6 through 8 .....9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Total credits. Personal and dependent exemptions, tuition and textbook credit, firefighters/EMS and reserve peace officers. .... 10. \_\_\_\_\_
11. Balance. Subtract line 10 from line 9. If you are a resident, please skip line 12. .... 11. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Nonresident. Enter amount of Iowa-source net income. .... 12. \_\_\_\_\_
13. Percentage of Iowa income vs. total income. Divide line 12 by line 1. Iowa residents enter 100%..... 13. \_\_\_\_\_ %
14. Estimated Iowa tax. Multiply line 11 by line 13..... 14. \_\_\_\_\_
15. Out-of-state tax credit and any other nonrefundable Iowa credits..... 15. \_\_\_\_\_
16. Balance. Subtract line 15 from line 14 ..... 16. \_\_\_\_\_
17. Iowa residents' school district or emergency medical services surtax. .... 17. \_\_\_\_\_
18. Balance. Add lines 16 and 17 ..... 18. \_\_\_\_\_
19. Total Iowa credits: withholding, child and dependent care or early childhood development, fuel tax, Iowa EITC, and any other refundable Iowa credits. .... 19. \_\_\_\_\_
20. Estimated tax. Subtract line 19 from line 18, rounded to the nearest dollar.  
Do not file estimated taxes if line 20 is less than \$200.  
If line 20 exceeds \$200, continue to line 21 directly below. .... 20. \_\_\_\_\_

**Quarterly Estimated Tax Computation**

21. If the estimated tax exceeds \$200, enter 100% (unless high income) of the prior year's tax liability, or 5% of this year's anticipated Iowa gross income, or the amount from line 20 on the above worksheet. .... 21. \_\_\_\_\_
22. Multiply line 21 by 0.25. This is your quarterly estimated payment amount. Enter this amount into column A, lines 1 through 4, on the Estimated Tax Payment Schedule below. .... 22. \_\_\_\_\_

**2017 Tax Rate Schedule**

Taxable income:

Over	But not over	Tax Rate			Of Excess Over
0	1,573	0.00	plus	0.36%	0
1,573	3,146	5.66	plus	0.72%	1,573
3,146	6,292	16.99	plus	2.43%	3,146
6,292	14,157	93.44	plus	4.50%	6,292
14,157	23,595	447.37	plus	6.12%	14,157
23,595	31,460	1,024.98	plus	6.48%	23,595
31,460	47,190	1,534.63	plus	6.80%	31,460
47,190	70,785	2,604.27	plus	7.92%	47,190
70,785		4,472.99	plus	8.98%	70,785

**Estimated Tax Payment Schedule**

Date	A Computed Installment	B	C
		Refund Carryforward/ Prior Period Overpayment	Amount to be Paid (column A less column B)
Installment 1 04/30/2017			
Installment 2 06/30/2017			
Installment 3 09/30/2017			
Installment 4 01/31/2018			

**Example on how to compute estimated tax:** The taxable income is \$24,000.

The calculation = \$1,024.98 + [6.48% x (\$24,000 - \$23,595)].

The result = \$1,024.98 + \$26.24 = \$1,051.22. Round to the nearest dollar = \$1,051