

QuickAlerts Messages April 2025

QuickAlerts—April 21, 2025

Subject: New Modernized e-File (MeF) Business Rule R0000-240.

Attention: Software Developers, Return Transmitters and Authorized IRS e-file Providers/EROs.

ALERT:

IRS Modernized e-File (MeF) Stakeholders have expressed concern with the increased number of tax returns rejecting when the Business Name has special characters included.

Modernized e-File created a new Business Rule, R0000-240, to ensure that the Business Name, "BusinessNameLine1Type", and the Name Control, "BusinessNameControlType", from the tax return matches the IRS e-file database for the Employee ID number (EIN).

Our research found that Business Rule R0000-240 is working as intended and the rejects are valid.

Guidance:

Generally, the Name Control should be determined from the information specified on the first name line of the tax return. A Name Control is derived from the first four significant characters of the name including any special characters such as an Ampersand (&) and Hyphen (-).

Please ensure that your clients are aware that it is their responsibility to keep their legal business name updated with the IRS. If a change is required, the taxpayer may submit Form 8822-B or contact the IRS Business & Specialty Tax Line at 800-829-4933 for additional assistance.

Please refer to Publication 4164 exhibits for additional guidance on creating valid Business Name Controls. Starting on page 254, 13.1 Exhibit 1, titled Business Name Control and 13.4 Exhibit 4, titled Employment Tax Name Control.

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QuickAlerts—April 25, 2025

Subject: Form 1040 Series Tax Year 2024, Business Rule Updates are available.

Attention: Software Developers, Return Transmitters and Authorized IRS e-File Providers/EROs

Tax Year 2024/Processing Year 2025, Business Rules and Schema:

- Form 1040 Series 2024v5.1 Business Rule Updates

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- An active e-Services account
- An e-File application with the Software Developer or State provider option with the associated tax type of 1040, 2350, 4868, 56 or 9465

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QuickAlerts—April 25, 2025

Subject: New Modernized e-File (MeF) Business Returns Schema and Business Rules are Available.

Attention: Software Developers, Return Transmitters and Authorized IRS e-File Providers/EROs.

Tax Years 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025/Processing Year 2025 Schemas and Business Rules are available.

Current Year Schemas and Business Rules:

- Form 720 TY 2025v2.0
- Form 94x (Quarterly) TY 2025v3.3
- Form 94x (Annual) TY 2024v4.2
- Form 990x TY 2024v5.2
- Form 990-N TY 2024v1.1
- Form 990-T TY 2024v5.2

- Form 1041 TY 2024v4.0
- Form 1065 TY 2024v5.2
- Form 1120x TY 2024v5.2
- Form 1120-POL TY 2024v5.2
- Form 2290 TY 2025v1.0
- Form 4720 TY 2024v1.1
- Form 5227 TY 2024v4.1
- Form 5330 TY 2024v1.1
- Form 7004 TY 2024v2.1
- Form 8038-CP TY 2025v1.1
- Form 8849 TY 2025v1.1
- Form 8868 TY 2024v1.1

Current Year Business Rules (only):

- Form 94x (Amended Quarterly) TY 2025v3.3
- Form 94x (Amended Annual) TY 2024v4.2

Current Year Business Rules Change Pages (only):

- Form 94x (Annual) TY 2024v4.1

Prior Year Business Rules Change Pages (only):

- Form 94x (Annual) TY 2023v3.0
- Form 94x (Annual) TY 2022v2.0

Note: If only minor changes occur, Software Developers are not required to use the new version. If the major number changes, all software must reflect the new version.

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QuickAlerts—April 29, 2025

Subject: New Modernized e-File (MeF) Form 709/709-NA Gift Returns Schema and Business Rules are Available.

Attention: Software Developers, Return Transmitters and Authorized IRS e-File Providers/EROs.

Tax Year 2024/Processing Year 2025 Schemas and Business Rules are available.

Current Year Schemas and Business Rules:

- Form 709 TY 2024v1.0
- Form 709-NA TY 2024v1.0

Current Year Business Rules (only):

- Form 709 TY 2024v1.0
- Form 709-NA TY 2024v1.0

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