
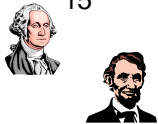


TAX PAYMENT
CALENDAR

FEBRUARY
2011

<u>Date</u> <u>Payroll Date</u>	<u>Deposit Date</u>		<u>Completed</u>	
Jan. 26 – 28 29 – Feb. 1	Feb. 2 4	Semi-Weekly Payroll Tax Deposits. Employers that are semi-weekly depositors generally must deposit taxes withheld and FICA taxes on payrolls paid on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday on or before the following Wednesday, and deposit taxes from payments on other days on or before the following Friday. Deposit electronically using EFTPS. Indicate Form 941 and first quarter.		
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14	Michigan sales and use tax deposit for the month of January to claim early payment discount.			
15	Michigan Annual Report - Limited Liability Companies.			
15	Employers that are monthly depositors must deposit taxes withheld and FICA taxes on payrolls paid during January. Deposit electronically using EFTPS. Indicate Form 941 and first quarter.			
15	Corporations with fiscal year ending February 28, May 31, August 31, or October 31: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deposit estimated federal income tax electronically using EFTPS. Indicate Form 1120 and first quarter. 			
 15	Corporations with fiscal year ending November 30: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal Income Tax Return - Form 1120 or 1120S. • Deposit balance of tax due electronically using EFTPS. Indicate Form 1120 and fourth quarter. • Pay accrued compensation, charitable contributions, retirement plan contributions, etc. 			
15	Businesses with fiscal year ending January 31, April 30, July 31, or October 31: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pay MBT estimate to State of Michigan. 			
21	Presidents' Day.			
22	Michigan combined Sales, Use, Withholding and MBT Estimate Return for the month of January.			
22	Personal Property Tax Returns must be received by local assessor.			
28	Form 1096 – Annual Summary and Transmittal, accompanied by copy of Forms 1099 and/or Forms 1098.			
28	Michigan Annual Return for Sales, Use, and Withholding Taxes. Enclose state copy of Forms W-2 and 1099-MISC.			
28	Businesses with fiscal year ending October 31: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • File MBT return and pay balance due to State of Michigan. 			
28	Form W-3 - Transmittal of Income and Tax Statements, accompanied by copy of Forms W-2.			
March 1	Federal and Michigan Income Tax for farmers for 2010 in lieu of filing estimated taxes during the past year.			

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February 2011

THE 2010 TAX RELIEF ACT

On December 17 the Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010 (the 2010 Tax Relief Act) was signed into law. It includes many taxpayer-friendly provisions for both individuals and businesses. Here are some of the highlights of this last-minute tax legislation.

- **Lower Tax Rates for Individuals Extended through 2012.** The Act extends the 10%, 15%, 25%, 28%, 33%, and 35% federal income tax rates on ordinary income, as well as the 0% and 15% rates on most long-term capital gains and dividends through 2012.
- **Marriage Penalty Relief Extended through 2012.** The legislation eased the marriage penalty by expanding the lowest two tax brackets for married couples and by giving them bigger standard deductions.
- **Social Security Tax Reduction for 2011 Only.** The Act cuts the Social Security tax withholding rate on employee salaries from 6.2% to 4.2%. (The employer portion of the Social Security tax remains at 6.2%.) The Social Security tax component of the self-employment tax is also cut from 12.4% to 10.4%.
- **Personal Exemption and Itemized Deduction Phase-outs Repealed through 2012.** The unfavorable phase-out rules that could reduce some of your most-cherished write-offs were temporarily repealed through 2012.
- **Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) Patch for 2010 and 2011.** The patch primarily consists of allowing bigger AMT exemptions and allowing personal tax credits to offset the AMT, saving millions of households from this add-on tax.
- **IRA Qualified Charitable Contributions Extended through 2011.** IRA owners who have reached age 70½ are allowed to make annual tax-free distributions of up to \$100,000 paid directly out of their IRAs to charitable organizations.
- **Bigger Child Credit Extended through 2012.** For 2011 and beyond, the maximum credit was scheduled to drop from \$1,000 to only \$500. The Act extends the \$1,000 credit through 2012.
- **American Opportunity Education Credit Extended through 2012.** This credit can be worth up to \$2,500, can be claimed for up to four years of undergraduate education, and is 40% refundable.
- **College Tuition Deduction Extended through 2011.** This write-off, which can be as much as \$4,000, or \$2,000 at higher income levels, is retroactively restored for 2010 and 2011.
- **More Generous Student Loan Interest Deduction Rules Extended through 2012.** This write-off can be as much as \$2,500 (whether you itemize or not).
- **Option to Deduct State and Local Sales Taxes Extended through 2011.** Individuals who pay little or no state income taxes have the option of claiming an alternative itemized deduction for state and local general sales taxes.
- **\$250 Deduction for K–12 Educators Extended through 2011.** Teachers and other eligible personnel at K–12 schools can deduct up to \$250 of school-related expenses paid out of their own pockets, whether they itemize or not.
- **First-year Bonus Depreciation Allowed for Assets Placed in Service through 2012.** The Act generally allows 100% first-year bonus depreciation for qualifying new (not used) assets that are acquired and placed in service between 9/9/10 and 12/31/11. It also allows 50% first-year bonus depreciation for qualifying new (not used) assets that are placed in service in calendar year 2012. For a new passenger auto or light truck that's used for business and is subject to the luxury auto depreciation limitation, the 100% and 50% bonus depreciation breaks increase the maximum first-year depreciation deduction by \$8,000 for vehicles acquired and placed in service by 12/31/12.
- **15-year Depreciation for Leasehold Improvements, Restaurant Property, and Retail Space Improvements Extended through 2011.** The 15-year straight-line depreciation privilege for qualified leasehold improvements, qualified restaurant buildings and improvements, and qualified retail space improvements is retroactively restored for property placed in service in 2010 and 2011.