

Due Date Changes - Hurricane Ida Disaster Relief

The IRS has provided an automatic extension to victims of Hurricane Ida in parts of Pennsylvania until Jan. 3, 2022, to file various individual and business tax returns and make tax payments. The IRS has also provided relief to Ida victims in certain areas of Louisiana, Mississippi, New Jersey and New York.

For “affected taxpayers” (i.e. those with an IRS address of record located in the disaster area or whose records necessary to meet a deadline are located in the affected area):

- Individuals who had a valid extension to file their 2020 return due to run out on Oct. 15, 2021, will now have until Jan. 3, 2022, to file with the IRS. However, because tax payments were due on May 17, 2021 (before Hurricane Ida), there is no additional extension if you owe more taxes with your return.
- Quarterly federal estimated income tax payments due on Sept. 15, 2021 are now due Jan. 3, 2022.
- Calendar-year partnerships and S corporations whose 2020 extensions run out on Sept. 15, 2021 and calendar-year corporations whose 2020 extensions run out on Oct. 15, 2021 now have until Jan. 3, 2022.

The IRS is offering relief to any area designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as qualifying for individual or public assistance. Currently in Pennsylvania, this includes Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, Philadelphia and York counties, but taxpayers in Ida-impacted localities in other parts of Pennsylvania, subsequently designated by FEMA, will automatically receive the same filing and payment relief. The current list of eligible localities is available on the [disaster relief](#) page on IRS.gov.

States may or may not follow the IRS extensions (for example, New Jersey is following the IRS but Pennsylvania has not commented yet). If you were affected by Ida you can always request abatement of penalty and interest under “reasonable cause”.

Following is the link to IR-2021-183:

<https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-tax-relief-now-available-to-ida-victims-in-pennsylvania-oct-15-deadline-other-dates-extended-to-jan-3>

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