# Connecticut 2002 Resident **FORM Income Tax CT-1040 Return and Instructions**

#### Dear Customer:

The Connecticut Department of Revenue Services (DRS) is continually exploring new ideas and initiatives to provide you with more information and more options to meet your tax filing needs. No one likes paying taxes, not even me, but we all know that it is our duty. The best DRS can do is to make your filing responsibilities as easy as possible. Last year, DRS introduced the WebFile pilot, which allowed more than 15,000 state residents to file their income tax returns quickly and easily on the Department's free, secure web site. We also continued to offer our popular *Telefile* program and participated in the fed/state *e-file* program.

I encourage you to explore these electronic options to filing your tax return. They offer fast, convenient service and increase the accuracy of your return by conducting all mathematical calculations for you. Electronic filing also enables DRS to process your return faster, so that if you are due a refund, you will receive it much sooner. In fact, in Connecticut we offer the fastest refund on the planet.

To learn more about electronic filing options, or if you have any questions, please contact DRS Taxpayer Services personnel by phone, letter, e-mail, or visit our Web site at www.drs.state.ct.us. You can preview and download Connecticut tax forms, publications, and other information that you may need. DRS tax assistance is always free.

Our goal is to provide you with excellent customer service and user-friendly tax administration. I welcome your comments and ideas about how we can improve the way we do business. You will find contact information on the back of this booklet, so please phone, write, or e-mail me through our Web site.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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Taxpayer information is available on our Web site:

Gene Gavin Commissioner of Revenue Services www.drs.state.ct.us



Connecticut WebFile Program

File Form CT-1040 or Form CT-1040 EXT over the internet using *WebFile*. *WebFile* is free and secure.

## Connecticut fed/state e-file Program

File your federal and Connecticut returns together using e-file!



For more information on these programs visit: www.drs.state.ct.us

Department of Revenue Services walk-in locations and telephone numbers are listed on the back cover.

# This booklet contains:

- Form CT-1040
- Form CT-1040 EXT
- Form CT-1040ES
- Individual Use Tax **Worksheet**
- Taxpayer Questionnaire
- Tax Tables
- Tax Calculation Schedule



# **CONN-TAX**

If you have a touch-tone phone, you can obtain important income tax information 24 hours a day from CONN-TAX, the Department's information line. Call 1-800-382-9463 (in-state) or 860-297-5962 (from anywhere), press "1" to be connected to "Income Tax Information Menu," then press "2" to select "Recorded Income Tax Information." Enter the three-digit number next to the topic of your choice shown below, or follow the prerecorded instructions.

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# WHAT'S NEW

- Beginning with income tax returns filed for the 2002 taxable year, taxpayers may elect to have their refunds **directly deposited** into a checking or savings account. Remember to file early and choose direct deposit to get your refund as soon as possible. See *Line 24 Amount of Line 21 You Want Refunded to You* on Page 16.
- The annual increase to the **personal exemptions and credits** used in calculating the tax for individuals whose filing status is Single (scheduled to take place over an eight-year period beginning with the 2000 taxable year) has been delayed by two years. The personal exemptions and credits for the 2001 taxable year will remain in effect for the 2002 and 2003 taxable years. The scheduled increases will resume beginning with the 2004 taxable year.
- Every year, DRS receives thousands of Connecticut income tax returns from individuals who are **not required to file**. Even if you are required to file a federal income tax return, you may not be required to file a Connecticut income tax return. Before spending your valuable time and money (for those of you who go to a paid preparer), see *Who Must File a Connecticut Return*, on Page 5 to determine if you are required to file, consider using one of the electronic options provided below. By filing electronically, you will get your refund sooner. You will also help DRS reduce processing and mailing costs associated with handling paper returns.
- The annual increase to the **property tax credit limitation** thresholds for individuals whose filing status is Single (scheduled to take place over an eight-year period beginning with the 2000 taxable year) has been delayed by two years. The property tax credit limitation amounts in effect for the 2001 taxable year will remain in effect for the 2002 and 2003 taxable years. The scheduled increases will resume beginning with the 2004 taxable year.
- The federal Job Creation and Worker Assistance Act of 2002 created a **special 30% depreciation allowance** for certain property acquired after September 10, 2001, and before September 11, 2004. The provision allows taxpayers to claim an additional first-year special depreciation allowance on new MACRS property where the recovery period is 20 years or less. The Connecticut General Assembly enacted legislation to require individuals for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, to add the additional first-year special depreciation allowance to their federal adjusted gross income for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, individuals are required to add the additional first-year special depreciation allowance to their federal adjusted gross income for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, individuals are required to add the additional first-year special depreciation allowance to their federal adjusted gross income in computing their Connecticut adjusted gross income in computing their Connecticut adjusted gross income for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, individuals are required to add the additional first-year special depreciation allowance to their federal adjusted gross income in computing their Connecticut adjusted gross

income. See **Special Notice 2002(12)**, 2002 Legislation Affecting the Connecticut Income Tax, and the instructions to **Form CT-1040**, Schedule 1, Modifications to Federal Adjusted Gross Income, Line 32.

- For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, a resident individual who has reportable state **lottery winnings** from a wager placed in a lottery conducted by a qualifying jurisdiction and who is required to file an income tax return and to pay income tax to the qualifying jurisdiction on those lottery winnings, may claim a credit against his or her Connecticut income tax for income tax paid to the qualifying jurisdiction. Prior law allowed a credit against an individual's Connecticut income tax for income tax paid to a qualifying jurisdiction on state lottery winnings only if the proceeds from the wager exceeded \$5,000. See **Informational Publication 2002(18)**, *Connecticut Income Treatment of State Lottery Winnings Received by Residents and Nonresidents of Connecticut*.
- Interest on the underpayment of estimated tax will not apply to any underpayment of estimated tax payment to the extent such underpayment was created or increased by any provision of Public Act 2002-1 of the May 9, 2002 Special Session of the Connecticut General Assembly and to the extent any estimated tax payment was required to be made on or before July 15, 2002. See Form CT-2210, Underpayment of Estimated Income Tax by Individuals, Trusts and Estates, for more information.
- In an effort to reduce printing and mailing costs, DRS will be sending postcards with PIN numbers to individuals who filed their Connecticut income tax returns over the internet using *WebFile*. If you *WebFiled* your 2001 Connecticut income tax return, look for your postcard in the mail before filing your 2002 Connecticut income tax return.
- For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, there is an **annual tax of \$250** on each:
  - S corporation
  - Limited liability company which is, for federal income tax purposes, treated as a partnership if it has two or more members, or disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, if it has a single member;
  - Limited liability partnership; and
  - · Limited partnership,

that is required to file an annual report with the Connecticut Secretary of the State. Entities report and pay the tax on Form OP-424, *Business Entity Tax Return*. See Special Notice 2002(11), *Business Entity Tax*.

### ELECTRONIC FILING OPTIONS File Your Tax Return Electronically!

Refunds Issued in 4 days
 Easy to use
 Immediate Proof of Filing
 Safe and Secure
 Paperless
 Available 24 Hours a Day, 7 Days a Week!

# To *WebFile* or *Telefile* your Connecticut return you must meet all of the following conditions:

- You were a Connecticut resident for the entire year;
- You filed a 2001 Connecticut income tax return; and
- Your filing status is the same filing status as last year.

#### WebFile

File over the Internet using *WebFile*. Visit: **www.drs.state.ct.us** to learn more.

#### Telefile

File your return using a touch-tone telephone by calling: 860-692-9787

#### e-file

File your Federal and State returns together using e-file!!

Have your tax preparer electronically file your tax return. Visit: **www.IRS.gov/efile** or check the Yellow Pages under "Tax Return Preparation" for a list of approved preparers near you.

File your returns from home using a DRS-approved commercial tax filing Web site or software product. Visit: www.drs.state.ct.us for a complete list!

# **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## Tax Assistance

DRS is ready to help you and offers several resources where you can get answers to your Connecticut tax questions. Visit the DRS Web site at: **www.drs.state.ct.us** or for personal assistance, refer to the back cover of this booklet for a list of DRS walk-in offices and telephone numbers. DRS offices are open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. If you visit, be sure to bring:

- Your "state copy" of your federal Forms W-2 and any other forms showing Connecticut income tax withholding; and
- Your **completed** federal Form 1040EZ, 1040A, 1040, or federal TeleFile Tax Record.

Personal telephone assistance is available Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Extended hours are offered for the filing season, see Page 2. Automated information may answer your questions anytime. Call CONN-TAX, the DRS information line, or visit the DRS Web site for details.

### Forms and Publications

Download and print Connecticut tax forms and publications seven days a week from the DRS Web site at: **www.drs.state.ct.us**. Forms are also available during regular business hours at any of the DRS walk-in offices and the other sources listed on the back cover of this booklet, and at most public libraries, town halls, banks, and post offices during the tax filing season.

### **Important Reminders**

- Be sure that you have received all your federal Forms W-2, W-2G, and 1099 before filing your Connecticut income tax return. Generally, you will receive these forms on or before January 31. If you receive an additional federal Form W-2, W-2G, or 1099 after filing your Connecticut income tax return, you may be required to file Form CT-1040X. See Amended Returns on Page 31.
- □ File the correct form. Most taxpayers qualify to electronically file their Connecticut income tax return or file Form CT-1040EZ, Connecticut Resident EZ Income Tax Return. (See May I File My Connecticut Income Tax Return Over the Telephone Using Telefile, May I File My Connecticut Income Tax Return Over the Internet Using WebFile, or May I File Form CT-1040EZ, on Page 8 and Page 9.)

**Note:** If you receive federally taxable Social Security benefits, you must file **Form CT-1040**.

□ Use the preprinted peel-off label. The preprinted label **does not** include your Social Security Number(s). Therefore, you **must** enter your Social Security Number and the Social Security Number of your spouse (if filing a joint return), in the spaces next to your name(s) on the return.

If you did not receive a tax return package with a label, enter your name(s) and mailing address in the spaces provided at the top of your return.

- Check the correct filing status on your return.
- □ Attach a legible "**state copy**" of each federal Form W-2 (Wages), W-2G (Winnings), 1099-R (Pensions), and any other forms showing Connecticut income tax withheld to your Connecticut return.
- □ Sign your return. If you and your spouse are filing jointly, both of you must sign.
- □ Have your paid preparer sign the return.
- □ Be sure that both you and your spouse file your income tax returns at the same time if you filed joint estimated tax payments but elect to file separate income tax returns. No refund will be processed until both Connecticut returns are received.
- □ Use the correct DRS mailing label on the envelope when filing your return. One label is for refunds and all other tax forms without payment. The other label is for all tax forms with payment.

# Who Must File a Connecticut Resident Return

You must file a Connecticut resident income tax return if you were a resident for the entire year **and** any of the following is true for the 2002 taxable year:

- You had Connecticut income taxes withheld;
- You made estimated tax payments to Connecticut;
- You meet the Gross Income Test (see below); or
- You had a federal alternative minimum tax liability.

# If none of the above apply, do not file a Connecticut resident income tax return.

#### **Gross Income Test**

You must file a Connecticut income tax return if your gross income for the 2002 taxable year exceeds:

Quick and easy!

- \$12,000 and you will file as Married Filing Separately
- \$12,500 and you will file as Single
- \$19,000 and you will file as Head of Household
- \$24,000 and you will file as Married Filing Jointly

Free and secure!



*Gross income* means all income you received in the form of money, goods, property, and services that is not exempt from federal income tax, **and** any additions to income that are required to be reported on **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 1*.

Gross income includes, but is not limited to:

- Compensation for services, including wages, fees, commissions, taxable fringe benefits, and similar items
- Gross income from a business
- Capital gains
- Interest and dividends
- Gross rental income
- Gambling winnings
- Alimony
- Taxable pensions and annuities
- Prizes and awards
- Your share of income from partnerships, S corporations, estates, or trusts
- IRA distributions
- Unemployment compensation
- Federally taxable Social Security

The following examples explain the gross income test for a Connecticut resident:

**Example 1:** Your only income is from a sole proprietorship and you file a federal Form 1040, reporting the following on Schedule C:

Gross Income	\$100,000
Expenses	(\$ 92,000)
Net Income	\$ 8,000

Because the **gross** income of \$100,000 exceeds the minimum requirement, you must file a Connecticut income tax return.

**Example 2:** You received \$8,000 in federally nontaxable Social Security benefits and \$11,000 in interest income. Since nontaxable Social Security benefits are not included in gross income, you will not have to file a Connecticut income tax return unless Connecticut tax was withheld or estimated tax payments were made.

**Example 3:** You file as single on a Connecticut income tax return and received \$12,500 in wage income and \$1,000 in federally-exempt interest from California state bonds. Your federal gross income with additions from **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 1* (interest on state or local obligations other than Connecticut) is \$13,500. Therefore, you must file a Connecticut income tax return.

#### **Relief From Joint Liability**

In general, if you and your spouse file a joint income tax return you are both responsible for paying the full amount of tax, interest, and penalties due on your joint return. However, in very limited, specific cases, relief may be granted if you believe that all or any part of the amount due should be paid only by your spouse. You may request consideration by filing **Form CT-8857**, *Request for Innocent Spouse Relief (And*  Separation of Liability and Equitable Relief). See **Special Notice 99(15)**, Innocent Spouse Relief, Separation of Liability, and Equitable Relief.

#### **Title 19 Recipients**

Title 19 recipients must file a Connecticut income tax return if the requirements for *Who Must File a Connecticut Resident Return* are met.

However, if you do not have funds to pay your Connecticut income tax and during 2002:

- You were a Title 19 recipient; and
- Medicaid assisted in the payment of your long-term care in a nursing or convalescent home,

complete **Form CT-19IT**, *Title 19 Status Release*, and attach it to the **front** of your Connecticut income tax return. By completing this form, you authorize DRS to verify your Title 19 status for 2002 with the Department of Social Services.

#### **Deceased Taxpayers**

A Connecticut income tax return must be filed for a taxpayer who died during the year if the requirements for *Who Must File a Connecticut Resident Return* are met. The return must be signed and filed by his or her executor, administrator, or surviving spouse for the portion of the year before the taxpayer's death. The person who files the return must clearly write "**DECEASED**," the deceased taxpayer's name, and the date of death across the top of the return.

A surviving spouse may file a joint return if the surviving spouse filed a joint federal income tax return. Write "**Filing as surviving spouse**" in the deceased spouse's signature block on the return. If both spouses died in 2002, their legal representative must file a final return. The Connecticut and federal filing status must be the same.

#### Claiming a Refund for a Deceased Taxpayer

If you are a surviving spouse filing a joint return with the deceased, file the tax return to claim the refund. If you are a court-appointed representative, file the return **and** attach a copy of the certificate that shows your appointment. All other filers requesting the deceased taxpayer's refund must file the return and attach federal Form 1310, Statement of Person Claiming Refund Due a Deceased Taxpayer.

Income received by the estate of the decedent for the portion of the year after the decedent's death, and for succeeding taxable years until the estate is closed, must be reported each year on **Form CT-1041**, *Connecticut Income Tax Return for Trusts and Estates*.

#### **Special Information for Nonresident Aliens**

A nonresident alien must file a Connecticut income tax return if the requirements of *Who Must File a Connecticut Resident Return* are met. In determining whether the *Gross Income Test* is met, the nonresident alien must take into account any income that is not subject to federal income tax under an income tax treaty between the U.S. and the country of which the nonresident alien is a citizen or resident. Income tax treaty provisions are disregarded for Connecticut income tax purposes. When filing their Connecticut income tax return, nonresident aliens must enter on **Form CT-1040**, Line 1, the amount reported on federal Form 1040NR, Line 33 or federal Form 1040NR-EZ, Line 10. Any treaty income that is reported on federal Form 1040NR or Form 1040NR-EZ and that is not subject to federal income tax must be added to the nonresident alien's federal adjusted gross income on **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 1*, Line 36, or **Form CT-1040NR/PY**, *Schedule 1*, Line 38.

If the nonresident alien does not have and is not eligible for a Social Security Number, he or she must obtain an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) from the IRS, and enter it in the space provided for a Social Security Number.

A married nonresident alien may not file a joint Connecticut income tax return unless the nonresident alien is married to a citizen or resident of the U.S. and they have made an election to file a joint federal income tax return and, in fact, file a joint federal income tax return. Any married individual filing federal Form 1040NR or federal Form 1040NR-EZ is not eligible to file a joint federal income tax return or a joint Connecticut income tax return, and must file as a married individual filing separately.

# Am I a Resident, Part-Year Resident, or Nonresident

The following terms are used in this section:

**Domicile** (permanent legal residence) is the place you intend to have as your permanent home. It is the place you intend to return to whenever you are away. You can have only one domicile although you may have more than one place to live. Your domicile does not change until you move to a new location and definitely intend to make your permanent home there. If you move to a new location but intend to stay there only for a limited time (no matter how long), your domicile does not change. This also applies if you are working in a foreign country.

**Permanent place of abode** is a residence (a building or structure where a person can live) that you permanently maintain, whether or not you own it, and generally includes a residence owned by or leased to your spouse. A place of abode is not permanent if it is maintained only during a temporary stay for the accomplishment of a particular purpose.

You are a **resident** for the 2002 taxable year if:

• Connecticut was your domicile (permanent legal residence) for the entire 2002 taxable year; or

• You maintained a permanent place of abode in Connecticut **and** spent a total of more than 183 days in Connecticut during the 2002 taxable year, **and** you are not a part-year resident.

Nonresident aliens who meet either of the above conditions are considered Connecticut residents even if federal Form 1040NR-EZ or federal Form 1040NR is filed for federal income tax purposes.

If you are a resident and you meet the requirements for *Who Must File a Connecticut Resident Return* for the 2002 taxable year, you must file **Form CT-1040EZ** or **Form CT-1040**.

You are a **part-year resident** for the 2002 taxable year if you changed your permanent legal residence by moving into or out of Connecticut during the 2002 taxable year. If you are a part-year resident, you may not elect to be treated as a resident individual.

If you are a part-year resident and you meet the requirements for *Who Must File Form CT-1040NR/PY* for the 2002 taxable year, you must file **Form CT-1040NR/PY**. See *Who Must File Form CT-1040NR/PY* and *Am I a Resident, Part-Year Resident, or Nonresident* in the instruction booklet for **Form CT-1040NR/PY**.

You are a **nonresident** for the 2002 taxable year if you are neither a resident nor a part-year resident for the 2002 taxable year.

If you are a nonresident and you meet the requirements for *Who Must File Form CT-1040NR/PY* for the 2002 taxable year, you must file **Form CT-1040NR/PY**.

Although you and your spouse file jointly for federal purposes, you may be required to file separate Connecticut returns. See *Special Rules for Married Individuals* on Page 14.

**Important:** You may be treated as a nonresident for 2002 even if your domicile was Connecticut, if you meet **all** of the conditions in Group A or Group B:

#### **Group A**

- 1. You did not maintain a permanent place of abode in Connecticut for the entire 2002 taxable year;
- 2. You maintained a permanent place of abode outside of Connecticut for the entire 2002 taxable year; **and**
- 3. You spent not more than 30 days in the aggregate in Connecticut during the 2002 taxable year.

#### Group B

- 1. You were in a foreign country for at least 450 days during any period of 548 consecutive days;
- 2. During this period of 548 consecutive days, you did not spend more than 90 days in Connecticut and you did not maintain a permanent place of abode in Connecticut at which your spouse (unless legally separated) or minor children spent more than 90 days; **and**

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3. During the nonresident portion of the taxable year in which the 548-day period begins, and during the nonresident portion of the taxable year in which the 548-day period ends, you were present in Connecticut for no more than the number of days that bears the same ratio to 90 as the number of days in such portion of the taxable year bears to 548. See the calculation below:

Number of days in the nonresident portion				Maximum days
548	x	90	=	allowed in Connecticut

See **Special Notice 2000(17)**, 2000 Legislation Affecting the Connecticut Income Tax.

#### **Military Personnel Filing Requirements**

Military personnel who claim Connecticut as a residence but are stationed elsewhere are subject to Connecticut income tax. If you enlisted in the service as a Connecticut resident and have not established a new domicile (permanent legal residence) elsewhere, you are required to file a resident income tax return unless you meet all of the conditions in Group A or Group B for being treated as a nonresident. See *Am I a Resident, Part-Year Resident, or Nonresident* on Page 7.

If your permanent home (domicile) was outside Connecticut when you entered the military, you do not become a Connecticut resident because you are stationed and live in Connecticut. As a nonresident, your military pay is not subject to Connecticut income tax. However, income that you receive from Connecticut sources while you are a nonresident (including your spouse's nonmilitary income) may be subject to Connecticut income tax. (See instructions for a Connecticut nonresident contained in the instruction booklet for **Form CT-1040NR/PY**.)

**Example**: Jennifer is a resident of Florida. She enlisted in the Navy in Florida and was stationed in Groton, Connecticut. She earned \$38,000 in military pay.

#### If Jennifer had no other income...

Since Jennifer resided and enlisted in Florida, she is considered a resident of Florida and does not have to file a Connecticut return. Military personnel are residents of the state in which they resided when they enlisted.

#### If Jennifer had a part-time job in Connecticut...

Her Connecticut source income from nonmilitary employment is taxable. Jennifer must file **Form CT-1040NR/PY** to report the income.

Spouses of military personnel who are stationed in Connecticut may be considered residents of this state even if their domicile is elsewhere. See *Am I a Resident, Part-Year Resident, or Nonresident* on Page 7.

See Informational Publication 2002(22), Connecticut Income Tax Information for Military Personnel and Veterans.

#### **Combat Zone**

The income tax return of any individual in the U.S. Armed Forces serving in a combat zone or injured and hospitalized while serving in a combat zone is due 180 days after returning. There will be no penalty or interest charged. For any individual who dies while on active duty in a combat zone or as a result of injuries received in a combat zone, no income tax or return is due for the year of death. A refund of tax paid will be provided to the legal representative of the estate or to the surviving spouse.

*Combat zone* is an area designated by the President of the United States as a combat zone by executive order. A combat zone also includes an area designated by the federal government as a *qualified hazardous duty area*.

Members of the U.S. Armed Forces serving in military operations in the Kosovo and Afghanistan regions are eligible for the 180 day extension allowed to individuals serving in a combat zone. Spouses of military personnel and civilians supporting the military in these regions who are away from their permanent duty stations but are not within the designated combat zone are also eligible for the extension. Individuals requesting an extension under the Kosovo provision should print the words "**Operation Allied Force**" at the top of the tax return. Individuals requesting an extension under the Afghanistan provision should print the words "**Enduring Freedom**" at the top of the tax return.

### May I File My Connecticut Income Tax Return Over the Telephone Using Telefile

Most residents qualify to *Telefile* their Connecticut income tax return. You may *Telefile* your Connecticut income tax return if you are eligible to file Form CT-1040EZ and all of the following are true:

- □ You filed a 2001 Connecticut income tax return;
- □ Your name and address has not changed. If the label on the back of this book is not correct, or if your name or address has changed, contact the DRS Registration Unit one day prior to Telefiling at: 860-297-4962 (during business hours);
- □ You have no more than seven W-2 or 1099 forms that show Connecticut income tax withheld;
- □ Your filing status is the same as last year;
- □ Your federal adjusted gross income is \$350,000 or less;
- □ You did not make estimated Connecticut income tax payments or did not have an overpayment applied to the 2002 taxable year;
- □ You are not filing Form CT-8379, Nonobligated Spouse Claim, with your return; and
- You have a Personal Identification Number (PIN) printed on the label on the back cover of this booklet. If you do not know your PIN, the *Telefile* System may be able to

provide it to you during your phone call. You must enter last year's federal adjusted gross income to access your PIN.

If you meet the eligibility requirements listed, you may *Telefile* your Connecticut income tax return. The **Telefile Worksheet** is included in the **2002 Form CT-1040EZ and Telefile Booklet**, which is available at any Connecticut public library, town hall, bank, post office, or DRS office.

### May I File My Connecticut Income Tax Return Over the Internet Using WebFile

Most Connecticut residents may use the fast, easy *WebFile* **Program** to file their Connecticut income tax return. You may *WebFile* your Connecticut income tax return if **all** of the following are true:

- ☐ You were a Connecticut resident for the entire year or consent to be treated as a resident for the entire year;
- □ You filed a 2001 Connecticut income tax return;
- □ Your filing status is the same as last year;
- □ You are **not** filing **Form CT-8379**, *Nonobligated Spouse Claim*, with your return;
- □ You have no more than ten W-2 or 1099 forms that show Connecticut income tax withheld; **and**
- □ You have no more than two states for which you are claiming a credit for income taxes paid to a qualifying jurisdiction.

#### May I File Form CT-1040EZ

Connecticut residents may file the short, simple **Form CT-1040EZ** if **all** of the following are true:

- ☐ You were a resident of Connecticut for the entire year or consent to be treated as a resident for the entire year;
- □ You did **not** report federally taxable Social Security benefits for the 2002 taxable year;
- ☐ You had no modifications to federal adjusted gross income for Connecticut income tax purposes, or your only modification is a federally taxable refund of state and local income taxes. See Schedule 1 - Modifications to Federal Adjusted Gross Income on Page 18;
- □ You are not claiming credit for income taxes paid to another jurisdiction;
- □ You do not have a federal alternative minimum tax liability;
- □ You are not claiming an adjusted net Connecticut minimum tax credit; **and**
- □ You did not report treaty income on your federal income tax return.

# What is Connecticut Adjusted Gross Income

For the purpose of completing **Form CT-1040**, Connecticut adjusted gross income is your federal adjusted gross income as reported on federal Form 1040, Line 35; federal Form 1040A, Line 21; federal Form 1040EZ, Line 4; or federal TeleFile Tax Record, Line I, adding or subtracting the Connecticut modifications that are required to be reported on **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 1*.

# Taxable Year and Method of Accounting

You must use the same taxable year for Connecticut income tax purposes that you use for federal income tax purposes. Most individuals use the calendar year as their taxable year for federal income tax purposes. However, if the calendar year is not your taxable year for federal income tax purposes, references in this booklet to "2002" are references to your taxable year beginning during 2002.

You must use the same method of accounting for Connecticut income tax purposes that you use for federal income tax purposes.

If your taxable year or method of accounting is changed for federal income tax purposes, the same change must be made for Connecticut income tax purposes.

### When to File

Your Connecticut income tax return is due on or before April 15, 2003. If you are not a calendar year filer, your return is due on or before the 15<sup>th</sup> day of the fourth month following the close of your taxable year. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the next business day is the due date.

Your return will meet the timely filed and timely payment rules if the U.S. Postal Service cancellation date, or the date recorded or marked by a designated private delivery service (PDS) using a designated type of service, is on or before the due date. Not all services provided by these designated PDSs qualify.

The following are the designated PDSs and designated types of service at the time of publication:

Airborne Express (Airborne) • Overnight Air Express Service • Next Afternoon Service	DHL Worldwide Express (DHL) • DHL "Same Day" Service • DHL USA Overnight
Second Day Service     Federal Express (FedEx)	United Parcel Service (UPS) • UPS Next Day Air
<ul> <li>FedEx Priority Overnight</li> <li>FedEx Standard Overnight</li> <li>FedEx 2Day</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>UPS Next Day Air Saver</li> <li>UPS 2nd Day Air</li> <li>UPS 2nd Day Air A.M.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>FedEx International Priority</li> <li>FedEx International First</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>UPS Worldwide Express Plus</li> <li>UPS Worldwide Express</li> </ul>

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This list is subject to change. See **Policy Statement 2002(4)**, *Designated Private Delivery Services and Designated Types of Service*.

If **Form CT-1040** is filed late, or all the tax due is not paid with the return, see *Interest and Penalties*, on Page 12, to determine if interest and penalty must be reported with the return.

### **Extension Requests**

#### **Extension of Time to File**



To request an extension of time to file your return, you must file **Form CT-1040 EXT**, *Application for Extension of Time to File Connecticut Income Tax Return for Individuals*, and pay all the tax you expect to owe on or before the due date. If you file this form and have filed federal Form 4868, Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, your due date will be automatically extended for six months. If you did not file a federal extension request, a six-month extension of time to file will be granted for reasonable cause.

If a taxpayer is unable to request an extension because of illness, absence, or other good cause, any person standing in a close personal or business relationship to the taxpayer (including an attorney, accountant, or enrolled agent) may file the request on the taxpayer's behalf. This person is considered a duly authorized agent for this purpose.

Form CT-1040 EXT extends only the time to file your return; it does not extend the time to pay your tax due. See Form CT-1040 EXT, included in this booklet. See *Interest and Penalties*, on Page 12, if you do not pay all the tax due with your request for extension.

If you pay your expected 2002 Connecticut income tax due by credit card, you do not need to file a paper **Form CT-1040 EXT**.

#### U.S. Citizens Living Abroad

If you are a U.S. citizen or resident living outside the U.S. and Puerto Rico, or if you are in the armed forces of the U.S. serving outside the U.S. and Puerto Rico, and are unable to file a Connecticut income tax return on time you must file **Form CT-1040 EXT**. You must also pay the amount of tax due on or before the original due date of the return.

Include with **Form CT-1040 EXT** a statement that you are a U.S. citizen or resident living outside the U.S. and Puerto Rico, or in the armed forces of the U.S. serving outside the U.S. and Puerto Rico, and that you qualify for a federal automatic two-month extension. If your application is approved, the due date will be extended for six months. If you are still unable to file your return, and you were granted an additional extension of time to file for federal purposes, you may file your Connecticut return using the federal extension due date. A copy of the federal Form 2350 approval notice must be attached to the front of your Connecticut return.

#### **Extension of Time to Pay**

You may be eligible for a six-month extension of time to pay the tax due if you can show that paying the tax by the due date will cause undue hardship. You may request an extension by filing **Form CT-1127**, *Application for Extension of Time for Payment of Income Tax*, on or before the due date of the original return.

Attach Form CT-1127 to the front of Form CT-1040 or Form CT-1040 EXT, and send it on or before the due date. As evidence of the need for extension, you **must** attach:

- An explanation of why you cannot borrow money to pay the tax due;
- A statement of your assets and liabilities; and
- An itemized list of your receipts and disbursements for the preceding three months.

If an extension of time to pay is granted and you pay all the tax due in full by the end of the extension period, a penalty will not be imposed. However, interest will accrue on any unpaid tax from the original due date. You should make payments as soon as possible to reduce the interest that you would otherwise owe. To ensure proper posting of your payment, write your Social Security Number(s) and "2002 Form CT-1040" on the front of your check or money order. Mail payments to:

Department of Revenue Services Accounts Receivable Unit PO Box 5088 Hartford CT 06102-5088

### Where to File

For **refunds and all other tax forms without payment** enclosed, use the mailing label with this address and mail your return to:

> Department of Revenue Services PO Box 2976 Hartford CT 06104-2976

For **all tax forms with payment** enclosed, use the mailing label with this address and mail your return with payment to:

Department of Revenue Services PO Box 2977 Hartford CT 06104-2977

### **Estimated Tax Payments**

You must make estimated income tax payments if your Connecticut income tax (after tax credits) minus Connecticut tax withheld is more than \$500, and you expect your Connecticut income tax withheld to be less than your required annual payment for the 2003 taxable year. Your required annual payment for the 2003 taxable year is the lesser of:

- 90% of the income tax shown on your 2003 Connecticut income tax return; or
- 100% of the income tax shown on your 2002 Connecticut income tax return, if you filed a 2002 Connecticut income tax return that covered a 12-month period.

You do not have to make estimated income tax payments if:

- You were a Connecticut resident during the 2002 taxable year, and you did not file a 2002 income tax return because you had no Connecticut income tax liability; **or**
- You were a nonresident or part-year resident with Connecticut source income during the 2002 taxable year and you did not file a 2002 income tax return because you had no Connecticut income tax liability.

If you were a nonresident or part-year resident and you did **not** have Connecticut source income during the 2002 taxable year, you **must** use 90% of the income tax shown on your 2003 Connecticut income tax return as your required annual payment.

#### Annualized Income Installment Method

If your income varies throughout the year, you may be able to reduce or eliminate the amount of your estimated tax payment for one or more periods by using the annualized income installment method. See **Informational Publication 99(33)**, A Guide to Calculating Your Annualized Estimated Income Tax Installments and Worksheet CT-1040 AES.

#### Filing Form CT-1040ES

Use **Form CT-1040ES**, *Estimated Connecticut Income Tax Payment Coupon for Individuals*, to make estimated Connecticut income tax payments for 2003. If you made estimated tax payments in 2002, you will automatically receive coupons for the 2003 taxable year in mid-January. They will be preprinted with your name, address, and Social Security Number. To ensure that your payments are properly credited, use the preprinted coupons.

If you did not make estimated tax payments in 2002, use **Form CT-1040ES**, included in this booklet, to make your first estimated income tax payment. If you file this form, additional preprinted coupons will be mailed to you.

You may pay your 2003 estimated Connecticut income tax payments by credit card. See **Form CT-1040ES**, included in this booklet.

To avoid making estimated tax payments, you may request that your employer withhold additional amounts from your wages to cover the taxes on other income. You can make this change by giving your employer a revised **Form CT-W4**, *Employee's Withholding or Exemption Certificate*. For help in determining the correct amount of Connecticut withholding to be withheld from your wage income, see **Informational Publication 2003(1)**, *Is My Connecticut Withholding Correct?* 

#### Special Rules for Farmers and Fishermen

If you are a farmer or fisherman (as defined in I.R.C. \$6654(i)(2)) who is required to make estimated income tax payments, you must make only **one** payment. Your payment is due on or before January 15, 2004, for the 2003 taxable year. The required installment is the lesser of  $66^2/_3\%$  of the income tax shown on your 2003 Connecticut income tax return or 100% of the income tax shown on your 2002 Connecticut income tax return.

A farmer or fisherman who files a 2003 Connecticut income tax return on or before March 1, 2004, and pays in full the amount computed on the return as payable on or before that date, will not be charged interest for underpayment of estimated tax.

2003 Estimated	Tax Due Dates	Due dates of installments and the amount of required payments for 2003 calendar year taxpayers are:
April 15, 2003	25% of your required	annual payment
June 15, 2003 25% of your required annual payment (A total of 50% of your required annual payment should be paid by this date.)		
September 15, 200325% of your required annual payment (A total of 75% of your required annual payment should be paid by this date.)		
January 15, 2004 25% of your required annual payment (A total of 100% of your require annual payment should be paid by this date.)		
An estimate will be considered timely filed if received on or before the due date, or if the date shown by the J.S. Postal Service cancellation mark is on or before the due date. Taxpavers who report on other than a calendar		

U.S. Postal Service cancellation mark is on or before the due date. Taxpayers who report on other than a calendar year basis should use their federal estimated tax installment due dates. If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the next business day is the due date.

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Farmers and fishermen who use these special rules **must** complete and attach **Form CT-2210**, *Underpayment of Estimated Tax by Individuals, Trusts, and Estates*, to their Connecticut income tax return to avoid being billed for interest on the underpayment of estimated income tax. Be sure to check Box D of Form CT-2210, Part I, and the box for Form CT-2210 on the front of Form CT-1040. See Informational Publication 2002(10), Farmer's Guide to Sales and Use Taxes, Motor Vehicle Fuels Tax, Estimated Income Tax, and Withholding Tax.

#### Interest on Underpayment of Estimated Tax

You may be charged interest if you did not pay enough tax through withholding or estimated payments, or both, by any installment due date. This is true even if you are due a refund when you file your tax return. Interest is calculated separately for each installment. Therefore, you may owe interest for an earlier installment, even if you paid enough tax later to make up the underpayment. Interest at 1% (.01) per month or fraction of a month will be added to the tax due until the **earlier of** April 15, 2003, or the date on which the underpayment is paid.

A taxpayer who files a 2002 Connecticut income tax return on or before January 31, 2003, and pays in full the amount computed on the return as payable on or before that date, will not be charged interest for failing to make the estimated payment due January 15, 2003.

A farmer or fisherman (as defined in I.R.C. §6654(i)(2)) who is required to make estimated income tax payments will not be charged interest for failing to make the estimated payment due January 15, 2003, if he or she files a 2002 Connecticut income tax return on or before March 1, 2003, and pays in full the amount computed on the return as payable on or before that date.

#### Filing Form CT-2210

You may be charged interest if your 2002 Connecticut income tax (after tax credits) minus Connecticut tax withheld, is more than \$500. Use **Form CT-2210**, *Underpayment of Estimated Income Tax by Individuals, Trusts, and Estates*, to calculate interest on the underpayment of estimated tax. **Form CT-2210** and detailed instructions are available from DRS. However, this is a complex form and you may prefer to have DRS calculate the interest. If so, do not file **Form CT-2210** and DRS will send you a bill.

### **Interest and Penalties**

In general, interest and penalty apply to any portion of the tax that is not paid on or before the original due date of the return.

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#### Interest

If you do not pay the tax when due, you will owe interest at 1% (.01) per month or fraction of a month until the tax is paid in full.

If you did not pay enough tax through withholding or estimated payments, or both, by any installment due date, you may be charged interest. This is true even if you are due a refund when you file your tax return. See *Interest* on Underpayment of Estimated Tax at left.

Interest on underpayment or late payment of tax cannot be waived.

#### Penalty for Late Payment or Late Filing

The penalty for late payment or underpayment of income or use tax is 10% (.10) of the tax due. If a request for an extension of time has been granted, you can avoid a penalty for failure to pay the full amount due by the original due date if you:

- Pay at least 90% (.90) of the income tax shown to be due on the return on or before the original due date of the return; **and**
- Pay the balance due with the return on or before the extended due date.

If no tax is due, DRS may impose a \$50 penalty for the late filing of any return or report that is required by law to be filed.

#### Penalty for Failure to File

If you do not file your return and DRS files a return for you, the penalty for failure to file is 10% (.10) of the balance due or \$50, whichever is greater. If you are required to file **Form CT-1040X** and fail to do so, a penalty may be imposed.

#### Waiver of Penalty

You may be able to have your penalty waived if the failure to file or pay tax on time was due to a reasonable cause. Interest **cannot** be waived. Before a penalty waiver can be granted, all tax and interest must be paid. All requests must include:

- A clear and complete written explanation;
- Your name and Social Security Number;
- The taxable filing period;
- The name of the original form filed or billing notice received; **and**
- Documentation supporting your explanation.

Attach your request to the **front** of your tax return **or** mail separately with a copy of your tax return to:

Department of Revenue Services Penalty Review Committee PO Box 5089 Hartford CT 06102-5089



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## **Refund Information**

DRS issues refund checks as quickly as possible. If you have a touch-tone phone, you may check on the status of your refund 24 hours a day by calling **1-800-382-9463** (in-state) or **860-297-5962** (from anywhere). Be ready to provide your Social Security Number (and your spouse's, if filing jointly) and the exact amount of the refund you requested.

If you electronically file your return, you will be issued your refund in four days. If you send your return by mail, you should allow four weeks before calling to check on the status of your refund. If you do not receive your refund on or before the 90th day after we receive your claim for refund, you may be entitled to interest on your overpayment at the rate of  $2/_{3}$ % for each month or fraction of a month between the 90th day following receipt of your claim for a refund or the due date of your return, whichever is later, and the date of notice that your refund is due.

#### **Offset Against Debts**

If you are due a refund but have not paid certain obligations to Connecticut state agencies or the IRS, all or part of your overpayment may be used to pay all or part of these outstanding debts or taxes. You will be advised by mail if your refund is reduced for this reason and will be given information directing you to the agency to contact if you wish to appeal. Your refund may also be reduced if you owe penalty and interest on late-filed or underpaid Connecticut income tax returns.

#### Nonobligated Spouse

When a joint return is filed and only one spouse owes past-due child support or a debt to any Connecticut state agency, the spouse who is not obligated may be eligible to claim a share of a joint income tax refund. A nonobligated spouse who received income in 2002 and who made Connecticut income tax payments (withholding or estimates) for the 2002 taxable year may be eligible to claim his or her share of any refund if:

- A joint Connecticut tax return was filed for 2002; and
- An overpayment of tax was made.

If you are a nonobligated spouse, you may claim your share of a joint refund by filing **Form CT-8379**, *Nonobligated Spouse Claim*.

Do **not** use **Form CT-8379** to claim your share of a Connecticut refund that was applied to federal taxes you owe to the IRS. You must contact the IRS Office of the Local Taxpayer Advocate in Hartford, Connecticut at: 860-756-4555.

### Steps to Completing Form CT-1040 Step One - Complete Your Federal Return

Before you begin, gather all your records, including your federal W-2s (Wages), W-2Gs (Winnings), 1099-Rs (Pensions), and other 1099 forms. Use this information to complete your

federal income tax return. The information on your federal return is needed to complete your Connecticut return.

#### Step Two - Complete Your Connecticut Return

Remove the income tax forms from this booklet. One copy is for you to file with DRS. The other copy is for your records.

Proceed item by item, reading the instructions for each line item before you enter any amount. Then copy all information carefully onto the form you intend to file.

Keep a copy for your records. You may need information from it when you file next year's return, make estimated tax payments, or to respond to a question from DRS.

#### Step Three - Check Your Return

Take your time in completing your return. When you have finished, recheck all of your entries and arithmetic.

After you have completed your return, **be sure to sign it** and attach any required schedules, statements, or forms.

#### Step Four - Attach Your Label

Remove the preprinted peel-off label on the back cover of this booklet and place it over the name and address spaces of your return. The preprinted label **does not** include your Social Security Number(s). Therefore, you **must** write your Social Security Number(s) in the spaces provided next to your name(s).

#### **Step Five - Order of Attachments**

Staple all your W-2 forms, **Forms CT-4852** (substitute Form W-2), and any other forms showing Connecticut income tax withheld to the front of the income tax form in the appropriate area marked "**Staple W-2s, W-2Gs, and certain 1099s here**."

Paper clip your check or money order in payment of the tax due to the front of the income tax form in the appropriate area marked "**Clip check or money order here**." To ensure proper posting of your payment, write your Social Security Number(s) and "**2002 Form CT-1040**" on the front of your check or money order.

In addition, if you must file any of the following forms, attach the form(s) to the **front** of your income tax return in the following order:

- Schedule CT-1040CRC, Claim of Right Credit
- Form CT-19IT, Title 19 Status Release
- Form CT-1127, Application for Extension of Time for Payment of Income Tax
- Form CT-8379, Nonobligated Spouse Claim

Attach other required forms and schedules to the **back** of your return, or as directed on the form.

#### Step Six - Mail Your Return

This package contains one envelope with two pre-addressed labels for mailing your return. Use the correct label to have your return and refund processed faster.

# **COMPLETING FORM CT-1040**

#### Name and Address

Be sure the information on the label is correct. Do not use this label if any of the information is incorrect. Print or type the correct information in the name and address spaces on your return. If there is no preprinted label, print or type the information requested in the space provided at the top of **Form CT-1040**.

If your return is being completed by someone else, take your booklet to your tax preparer so that the preparer can attach the label to your return.

#### **Social Security Number**

The preprinted label **does not** include your Social Security Number. Therefore, you **must** write your Social Security Number in the space provided next to your name. If you file a joint return, enter your Social Security Number and your spouse's Social Security Number in the order they appear on your federal return. If you are a nonresident alien and do not have a Social Security Number, enter your Individual Taxpayer Identification Number in the space provided next to your name.

#### **Filing Status**

Check the appropriate box to indicate your filing status. Generally, your filing status must match your federal income tax filing status for this year. If you are not certain of your filing status for 2002, consult the information in your federal income tax booklet or call the IRS at: 1-800-829-1040.

If your filing status is *qualifying widow(er) with dependent child* on federal Form 1040 or 1040A, check the box on **Form CT-1040** for "Married filing jointly or Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child." **Do not** enter your deceased spouse's name or Social Security Number in the spaces provided for Spouse's Name and Spouse's Social Security Number.

#### **Special Rules for Married Individuals**

When one spouse is a Connecticut **resident** or a **nonresident** and the other spouse is a **part-year resident**, **each** spouse who is required to file a Connecticut income tax return **must** file as *married filing separately*.

When one spouse is a Connecticut **resident** and the other is a **nonresident**, **each** spouse who is required to file a Connecticut income tax return **must** file as *married filing separately* **unless**:

- They file jointly for federal income tax purposes; and
- They elect to be treated as if both were Connecticut residents for the entire taxable year.

When one spouse is a **nonresident alien** and the other is a **citizen** or **resident** of the U.S., **each** spouse who is required

to file a Connecticut income tax return **must** file as *married filing separately* **unless**:

- An election is made by the nonresident alien and his or her spouse to file a joint federal income tax return;
- A married filing joint return is filed for federal income tax purposes; and
- The spouses are otherwise required or permitted to file a joint Connecticut income tax return.

The election to file a joint return means that the joint federal adjusted gross income **must** be used on **Form CT-1040**, Line 1. It also means that the spouse who would not otherwise be required to file is now jointly and severally liable for any tax liability associated with the filing of the income tax return.

If filing a joint federal return and a separate Connecticut return, enter on **Form CT-1040**, Line 1, only **your** portion of the income included in joint federal adjusted gross income.

#### **Rounding Off to Whole Dollars**

Generally, you may round off cents to the nearest whole dollar on your return and schedules. Round down to the next lowest dollar all amounts that include 1 through 49 cents. Round up to the next highest dollar all amounts that include 50 through 99 cents. However, if you need to add two or more amounts to compute the amount to enter on a line, include cents and round off **only** the total.

**Example:** \$1.29 becomes \$1.00 and \$3.50 becomes \$4.00.

You may round off the amount of tax due as stated in the 2002 Tax Tables or as calculated using the Tax Calculation Schedule.

**Caution:** Rounding off to whole dollars may affect the amounts of your personal exemption and your personal tax credit.

#### **Line Instructions**

#### Line 1 - Federal Adjusted Gross Income

Enter your federal adjusted gross income from your 2002 federal income tax return. This is the amount reported on federal Form 1040, Line 35; federal Form 1040A, Line 21; federal Form 1040EZ, Line 4; or federal TeleFile Tax Record, Line I.

Nonresidents aliens, see Special Information for Nonresident Aliens, on Page 6.

#### Line 2 - Additions

Enter the amount from **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 1*, Line 37. See *Additions to Federal Adjusted Gross Income* on Page 18.

#### Line 3

Add Line 1 and Line 2. Enter the total on Line 3.

#### Line 4 - Subtractions

Enter the amount from **Form CT-1040**, Schedule 1, Line 47. See Subtractions From Federal Adjusted Gross Income on Page 19.

#### Line 5 - Connecticut Adjusted Gross Income

Subtract Line 4 from Line 3 and enter the result on Line 5. This is your Connecticut adjusted gross income.

### Line 6 - Income Tax

If the amount on Line 5 is: \$12,000 or less for married filing separate individuals; \$12,500 or less for single individuals; \$19,000 or less for head of household individuals; or \$24,000 or less for married filing joint individuals, enter "0" on Line 6. You do not owe any income tax. Otherwise, calculate your tax using one of the following methods:

**Tax Tables** - If your Connecticut adjusted gross income is less than or equal to \$102,000, you may use the *Tax Tables* on Page 35 to find your tax. Be sure to use the correct column in the *Tax Tables*. After you have found the correct tax, enter that amount on Line 6.

**Tax Calculation Schedule** - You **must** use the *Tax Calculation Schedule* to figure your tax if your Connecticut adjusted gross income is more than \$102,000. You may also use the *Tax Calculation Schedule* if your Connecticut adjusted gross income is less than or equal to \$102,000. This schedule is found at the end of this booklet.

#### Line 7 - Credit for Income Taxes Paid to Qualifying Jurisdictions

If all or part of the income reported on this return is subject to income tax in a qualifying jurisdiction and you have filed a return and paid income taxes to that jurisdiction, complete **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 2*, and enter the amount from Line 56 here. See *Schedule 2 - Credit for Income Taxes Paid to Qualifying Jurisdictions*, on Page 22.

You must attach a copy of your return filed with the qualifying jurisdiction(s) or the credit will be disallowed.

#### Line 8

Subtract Line 7 from Line 6. Enter the result on Line 8. If Line 7 is greater than Line 6, enter "0."

#### Line 9 - Connecticut Alternative Minimum Tax

If you were required to pay the federal alternative minimum tax for 2002, you must file **Form CT-6251**, *Connecticut Alternative Minimum Tax Return - Individuals*. Enter on Line 9 the amount shown on **Form CT-6251**, Line 26.

#### Line 10

Add Line 8 and Line 9. Enter the total on Line 10.

#### Line 11 - Credit for Property Taxes Paid on Your Primary Residence and/or Motor Vehicle

If the amount on Line 10 is zero, skip Line 11 and Line 12 and go to Line 13. Otherwise, you **must** complete *Schedule 3* on the back of **Form CT-1040** to be allowed this credit. Enter the amount from Line 64 on Line 11. Be certain to include all of the requested information or your credit may be denied. See *Schedule 3 - Credit for Property Taxes Paid on Your Primary Residence and/or Motor Vehicle,* on Page 25.

The credit is limited to the lesser of \$500 or the amount of qualifying property taxes paid. The maximum property tax credit allowed is **\$500** per return, regardless of filing status. If you paid more than \$100 in property tax, you may be subject to a limitation based on your Connecticut adjusted gross income. See *Property Tax Credit Limitation Worksheet* on Page 27. This credit can be used to offset only your 2002 income tax. You may not carry this credit forward and it is not refundable.

#### Line 12

Subtract Line 11 from Line 10. Enter the result on Line 12. If less than zero, enter "0."

#### Line 13 - Adjusted Net Connecticut Minimum Tax Credit

Enter the amount from **Form CT-8801**, *Credit for Prior Year's Connecticut Minimum Tax for Individuals, Trusts and Estates*, on Line 13. If you did not pay Connecticut alternative minimum tax in 1994 or thereafter, or if you entered an amount on **Form CT-1040**, Line 9, enter "0."

#### Line 14 - Connecticut Income Tax

Subtract Line 13 from Line 12. Enter the result on Line 14. If less than zero, enter "0."

#### Line 15 - Individual Use Tax

Enter on Line 15 the total use tax due as reported on the *Individual Use Tax Worksheet* on Page 29. You **must** enter "0" if no Connecticut use tax is due; otherwise you will not have filed a use tax return.

#### Line 16 - Total Tax

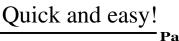
Add Line 14 and Line 15. Enter the total on Line 16.

#### Line 17 - Connecticut Tax Withheld

Enter the total income tax withheld for the State of Connecticut as indicated on your copies of W-2, W-2G, and 1099 forms. Include amounts withheld for the State of Connecticut shown on Form W-2, Box 17; Form W-2G, Box 14; Form 1099-R, Box 10; Form 1099-MISC, Box 16; and Form UC-1099G, Box 5. If you received a 2002 Form 1099 showing Connecticut income tax withheld on other income you received, such as unemployment compensation,

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include the amount withheld in the total on Line 17. Do **not** include tax withheld for other states or for the IRS.

Be sure you staple the "**state copy**" of all W-2 forms, and any other forms showing Connecticut tax withheld to the front of your return or your claim of amounts withheld will not be allowed. If you have not received Form W-2 from your employer or Form 1099-R from your pension, annuity, retirement, or profit sharing plan, you should request **Form CT-4852** (substitute Form W-2) to report your earnings and withholding.

If the amount on Line 17 does not equal the amounts of Connecticut withholding as reported on the forms that you attached to your return, the processing of your **Form CT-1040** will be delayed.

Attach copies of W-2G and 1099 forms only if they show Connecticut tax withheld.

#### Line 18 - All 2002 Estimated Tax Payments

Enter on Line 18 the total of all Connecticut estimated tax payments, advance tax payments, and any overpayments of Connecticut income tax applied from a prior year. Be sure to include any 2002 estimated payments made in 2003. **Do not** include any refunds received.

#### Line 19 - Payments Made With Form CT-1040 EXT

If you filed **Form CT-1040 EXT**, *Application for Extension of Time to File*, enter on Line 19 the amount you paid with that form.

#### Line 20 - Total Payments

Add Lines 17, 18, and 19. Enter the total on Line 20. This represents the total of all Connecticut tax payments made.

#### Line 21 - Amount Overpaid

If Line 20 is greater than Line 16, subtract Line 16 from Line 20 and enter the result on Line 21. This is your overpayment. To properly allocate your overpayment, go to Lines 22, 23, and 24. (If Line 20 is less than Line 16, go to Line 25.)

#### Line 22 - Amount of Line 21 You Want Applied to Your 2003 Estimated Tax

Enter the amount of your 2002 overpayment that you want applied to your 2003 estimated Connecticut income tax. It will be treated as estimated tax paid on April 15, 2003, if your return is filed on time or if you filed a timely request for extension and your return is filed within the extension period. Payments received after April 15, 2003, will be applied as of the date of receipt. Your request to apply this amount to your 2003 estimated income tax is irrevocable.

# Line 23 - Amount of Line 21 You Want to Contribute

You may contribute all or a portion of your refund to one or more of five designated funds. Complete *Schedule 4*, *Contributions of Refund to Designated Charities*, on the back of **Form CT-1040**. Enter on Line 23 the total contributions as reported on *Schedule 4*, Line 65. You may make a contribution on this return only if you are entitled to a refund. Your contribution is limited to your refund amount. However, you may also make **direct** contributions by following the instructions on Page 28.

# Line 24 - Amount of Line 21 You Want Refunded to You

Subtract the total of Line 22 and Line 23 from Line 21. Enter the result on Line 24. This is the amount of your refund. Early filers receive their refunds faster. Be sure to affix the **refund label** to the envelope when mailing your return.

Get your refund faster by choosing **direct deposit**. Complete Lines 24a, 24b, and 24c to have your refund directly deposited into your checking or savings account.

Enter your nine-digit bank routing number and your bank account number in Lines 24b and 24c. Your bank routing number is the first nine-digit number printed on your check or savings withdrawal slip. Your bank account number generally follows the bank routing number. Do not include the check number as part of your account number. Bank account numbers can be up to 17 digits and must be numeric.

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**Note:** If any of the bank information you supply for direct deposit does not match, a paper check will automatically be issued to you. Some financial institutions do not allow a joint refund to be deposited into an individual account.

**Important:** Your overpayment is applied in the following order: penalty and interest you owe, amounts designated by you to be applied to your 2003 estimated tax, other taxes you may owe the DRS, debts to other Connecticut state agencies, federal taxes you may owe the IRS, and charitable contributions designated by you. Any remaining balance will be refunded to you.

#### Line 25 - If Line 16 is Greater Than Line 20, Enter Amount of Tax You Owe

If Line 16 is greater than Line 20, subtract Line 20 from Line 16 and enter the result on Line 25. This is the amount of tax you owe. See *Estimated Tax Payments* on Page 10.

#### Line 26 - Penalty for Late Payment or Late Filing

**Late Payment Penalty**: The penalty for late payment or underpayment of income or use tax is 10% (.10) of such amount due. Taxpayers who pay at least 90% (.90) of the income tax shown to be due on the return on or before the original due date of the return and remit the balance due with the return on or before the extended due date will avoid penalty for failure to pay the full amount due by the original due date. Interest of 1% (.01) per month or fraction of a month will continue to accrue on the underpayment until the tax is paid in full.

**Late Filing Penalty:** In the event that no tax is due, DRS may impose a \$50 penalty for the late filing of any return or report that is required by law to be filed.

#### Line 27 - Interest for Late Payment or Late Filing

If you fail to pay the tax when due, interest will be charged at 1% (.01) per month or fraction of a month from the due date until payment is made.

# Line 28 - Interest on Underpayment of Estimated Tax

If Line 14 minus Line 17 is more than \$500, you may owe interest on estimated tax that you either underpaid or paid late. Form CT-2210, Underpayment of Estimated Income Tax by Individuals, Trusts and Estates, can help you determine whether you did underestimate and will help you calculate interest. However, this is a complex form and you may prefer to have DRS calculate the interest. If so, do not file Form CT-2210, leave this line blank, and DRS will send you a bill. Interest on underpayment of estimated income tax stops accruing on the earlier of the day you pay your tax or April 15, 2003.

#### Line 29 - Amount You Owe

Add Lines 25 through 28. Enter the total on Line 29. This is the total amount you owe. Pay the amount in full with your return.

### Payment Options

To Pay by Credit Card:



VISA

If you filed a 2001 Connecticut income tax return, you may elect to pay your 2002 Connecticut income tax liability using your American Express<sup>®</sup> card, Discover<sup>®</sup> card, MasterCard<sup>®</sup> card, or VISA<sup>®</sup> card. A convenience fee will be charged by the credit card service provider. The fee is 2.5% of your total tax payment. You will be informed of the amount of the fee and you may elect to cancel the transaction. At the end of the transaction, you will be given a confirmation number for your records. Check the box on **Form CT-1040**, Line 29 to indicate payment made by credit card, and:

- Call Official Payments Corporation toll-free at: 1-800-2PAY-TAX (1-800-272-9829). You will be asked to enter the Connecticut Jurisdiction Code: 1777; or
- Visit: **www.officialpayments.com** and select Payment Center.

Your payment will be effective on the date you make the charge.

#### To Pay by Mail:

Make your check or money order payable to the "Commissioner of Revenue Services." To ensure proper posting of your payment, write your Social Security Number(s) and "2002 Form CT-1040" on the front of your check or money order. Be sure to sign your check and paper clip it to the front of your return. Do not send cash.

**Failure to file** or **failure to pay** the proper amount of tax when due **will result in penalty and interest charges**. It is to your advantage to file when your return is due whether or not you are able to make full payment.

#### **Third Party Designee**

If you wish to authorize DRS to contact your friend, family member, or any other person, to discuss your 2002 tax return, check the "Yes" box in the "Third Party Designee" area of your return. Enter the designee's name, telephone number, and any five numbers the designee chooses as his or her personal identification number (PIN). If you wish to authorize DRS to contact the paid preparer who signed your return, enter "Preparer" in the space for the designee's name. You do not have to provide the other information requested.

If you check the "Yes" box, you, and your spouse if filing a joint return, are authorizing DRS to call the designee to answer any questions that may arise during the processing of your return. You are also authorizing the designee to:

- Give DRS any information that is missing from your return;
- Call DRS for information about the processing of your return or the status of your refund or payment; **and**
- Respond to certain DRS notices that you have shared with the designee about math errors, offsets, and return preparation. The notices will not be sent to the designee.

Once DRS completes processing the return, the authorization ends. The authorization cannot be revoked. However, the authorization will automatically end no later than the due date (without regard to extensions) for filing your 2003 tax return. This is April 15, 2004, for most taxpayers.

The box does not replace a power of attorney and will not authorize the designee to receive refund checks, bind you to anything (including additional tax liabilities), or represent you before DRS. To authorize another individual to represent you or act on your behalf, you must complete **Form LGL-001**, *Power of Attorney*.

Refunds in 4 days!



#### Sign Your Return

After completing your Connecticut **Form CT-1040**, sign your name and write the date you signed the return. Your spouse must also sign and enter the date if this is a joint return. The signature line is located on the back of **Form CT-1040**.

If you file a joint return, you **must** review the information with your spouse. When both you and your spouse sign the return, you become jointly and severally responsible for paying the full amount of tax, interest, and penalties due.

#### Paid Preparer Signature

Anyone you pay to prepare your return must sign and date it. Paid preparers must also enter their Social Security Number (SSN) or Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN), and their firm's Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) in the spaces provided.

#### **Filing Your Return**

Keep a copy of this return and all attachments for your records. Attach to this return any required schedules and forms. Do **not** attach copies of your federal income tax return or federal schedules.

1. Remove both labels from the envelope flap along the perforation.

- 2. Choose the correct label for your return, moisten, and place it on the return envelope.
- 3. Affix the correct postage to the envelope.

Do not use these mailing labels to send other correspondence to DRS. Using these labels for other purposes will delay our response to you.

### Recordkeeping

Keep a copy of your tax return, worksheets that you used, and records of all items appearing on the return (such as W-2 and 1099 forms) until the statute of limitations expires for that return. Usually, this is three years from the date the return was due or filed, whichever is later. You may need this information to prepare future returns or to file amended returns.

### **Copies of Returns**

You may request a copy of a previously filed Connecticut income tax return from DRS by completing **Form LGL-002**, *Request for Disclosure of Tax Return or Tax Return Information*. You can usually expect your copy in three weeks.

# SCHEDULE 1 - MODIFICATIONS TO FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME

The following modifications to federal adjusted gross income are provided in Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-701(a)(20). Your federal adjusted gross income may not be further modified in determining your Connecticut adjusted gross income except as expressly provided by Conn. Gen. Stat. §12-701(a)(20).

# Additions to Federal Adjusted Gross Income

#### **Enter all Amounts as Positive Numbers**

#### Line 30 - Interest on State and Local Government Obligations Other Than Connecticut

Enter the total amount of interest income derived from state and municipal government obligations (other than obligations of the State of Connecticut or its municipalities) which is not taxed for federal income tax purposes. Do not enter interest income derived from government obligations of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, or U.S. Virgin Islands.

#### Line 31 - Exempt-Interest Dividends From a Mutual Fund Derived From State or Municipal Government Obligations Other Than Connecticut

Enter the total amount of exempt-interest dividends received from a mutual fund that are derived from state and municipal government obligations, other than obligations of the State of Connecticut or its municipalities. If the exempt-interest dividends are derived from obligations of Connecticut and other states, enter only the percentage derived from non-Connecticut obligations. Do not enter exempt-interest dividends derived from government obligations of Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, or U.S. Virgin Islands.

**Example:** A fund invests in obligations of many states, including Connecticut. Assuming that 20% of the distribution is from Connecticut obligations, the remaining 80% would be added back on this line.

#### Line 32 - Special Depreciation Allowance for Qualified Property

If you filed federal Form 4562, Depreciation and Amortization (Including Information on Listed Property), and claimed a special 30% depreciation allowance for certain property placed in service after September 10, 2001, enter on Line 32 the sum of the amounts you entered on federal Form 4562, Line 14 and Line 25. See **Special Notice 2002(12)**, 2002 Legislation Affecting the Connecticut Income Tax.

#### Line 33 - Taxable Amount of Lump-Sum Distributions From Qualified Plans Not Included in Federal AGI

If you filed federal Form 4972, Tax On Lump-Sum Distributions, with your federal Form 1040 to compute the

tax on any part of a distribution from a qualified plan, enter **that** part of the distribution on Line 33. Do not enter any part of the distribution reported on federal Form 1040, Line 16a; federal Form 1040A, Line 12a; or federal Form 1040, Schedule D.

#### Line 34 - Beneficiary's Share of Connecticut Fiduciary Adjustment

If you have any income from an estate or trust, your share of any Connecticut modifications (that is, your share of the Connecticut fiduciary adjustment) that apply to such income will be shown on **Form CT-1041**, *Connecticut Income Tax Return for Trusts and Estates, Schedule B*, Part 1, Column 5. Your share of these modifications should be provided to you by the fiduciary. If your share of these modifications is an amount greater than zero, enter the amount on Line 34. If the amount is less than zero, enter the amount on Line 44.

If you are a beneficiary of more than one trust or estate, enter the net amount of all such modifications, if greater than zero, on Line 34.

# Line 35 - Loss on Sale of Connecticut State and Local Government Bonds

Enter the total losses from the sale or exchange of notes, bonds, or other obligations of the State of Connecticut or its municipalities used in determining gain (loss) for federal income tax purposes, whether or not the entire loss is used in computing federal adjusted gross income.

#### Line 36 - Other

Use Line 36 to report any of the following modifications:

- 1. Add back any treaty income reported on federal Form 1040NR-EZ or Form 1040NR if a nonresident alien. Enter the words "treaty income" in the space provided.
- Add back any loss or deduction of an enrolled member of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe who resides in Indian country of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, where such loss or deduction is derived from or connected with Indian country of such tribe. Enter the words "Mashantucket Pequot Tribe enrolled member." See Informational Publication 99(29), Connecticut Income Tax Obligations of Enrolled Members of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe.
- 3. Add back any Connecticut income tax deducted on the federal income tax return to arrive at federal adjusted gross income. Do not add back any Connecticut income tax deducted on federal Form 1040, Schedule A.
- 4. Add back any expenses paid or incurred for the production (including management, conservation, and maintenance of property held for the production) or collection of income exempt from Connecticut income tax which were deducted on the federal return to arrive at federal adjusted gross income.

- 5. Add back any amortizable bond premium on bonds producing interest income exempt from Connecticut income tax which premiums were deducted on the federal return to arrive at federal adjusted gross income.
- 6. Add back any interest or dividend income on obligations or securities of any authority, commission, or instrumentality of the U.S. which federal law exempts from federal income tax but does not exempt from state income taxes.
- 7. Add back to the extent deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income, any interest expenses on indebtedness incurred or continued to purchase or carry obligations or securities (the income from which is exempt from Connecticut income tax).
- 8. Also use Line 36 to report any additions to federal adjusted gross income required for Connecticut income tax purposes which are not listed on Lines 30 through 35.

#### Line 37 - Total Additions

Add Lines 30 through 36. Enter the total on **Form CT-1040**, Line 37.

### Subtractions From Federal Adjusted Gross Income

Enter all Amounts as Positive Numbers

# Line 38 - Interest on U.S. Government Obligations

Enter the total amount of interest income (to the extent includible in federal adjusted gross income) derived from U.S. government obligations, which federal law prohibits states from taxing (for example, U.S. government bonds such as Saving Bonds Series EE and Series HH, U.S. Treasury bills and notes).

For Series EE U.S. Savings Bonds, you are entitled to include on Line 38 **only** the amount of interest subject to federal income tax after exclusion of the amounts reported on federal Form 8815. In general, you will report the net taxable amount on federal Form 1040, Schedule B, or federal Form 1040A, Schedule 1.

**Do not enter** the amount of interest income derived from Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) bonds, Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae) bonds, and Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) securities. Federal law does not prohibit states from taxing interest income derived from these obligations, and this interest income is taxable for Connecticut income tax purposes.

Do not enter the amount of interest paid to you on any federal income tax refund.

Quick and easy!

Refunds in 4 days!



#### Line 39 - Exempt Dividends From Certain Qualifying Mutual Funds Derived From U.S. Government Obligations

Enter the total amount of exempt dividends received from a qualifying mutual fund that are derived from U.S. government obligations. A mutual fund is a qualifying fund if, **at the close of each quarter** of its taxable year, at least 50% of the value of its assets consists of U.S. government obligations. The percentage of dividends that are exempt dividends should be reported to you by the mutual fund.

**Do not enter** the amount of dividend income derived from Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) bonds, Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Mae) bonds, and Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) securities. Federal law does not prohibit states from taxing income derived from these obligations, and this income is taxable for Connecticut income tax purposes.

**Example:** A qualifying mutual fund pays a dividend of \$100. Of the distribution, 55% is attributable to U.S. Treasury bills and 45% to other investments. The amount that should be reported on Line 39 is \$55.

#### Line 40 - Social Security Benefit Adjustment

If you receive Social Security benefits that are subject to federal income tax, you may reduce or eliminate the amount of your benefits that are subject to Connecticut income tax.

Your Social Security benefits are fully exempt from Connecticut income tax, if your filing status is **Single** or **Married Filing Separately** and the amount reported on **Form CT-1040**, Line 1 is **less than \$50,000**; or **Married Filing Jointly** or **Head of Household** and the amount reported on **Form CT-1040**, Line 1 is **less than \$60,000**. If this is the case, enter on Line 40 the amount of federally taxable Social Security benefits reported on federal Form 1040, Line 20b, or federal Form 1040A, Line 14b.

Your Social Security benefits are partially exempt from Connecticut income tax, if your federal adjusted gross income is above the threshold for your filing status. If you used the worksheets contained in the instructions to federal Form 1040 or federal Form 1040A to calculate the amount of taxable Social Security benefits, complete the *Social Security Benefit Adjustment Worksheet* below and enter the amount from Line F on Line 40. If you did not use these worksheets, but instead used worksheets contained in federal Publication 590 or federal Publication 915, see **Announcement 2001(4)**, *Taxability of Social Security Benefits for Connecticut Income Tax Purposes*.

**Important**: If you are using a worksheet that is not from a federal publication, such as one you printed from a tax preparation program on your computer or one given to you by your tax preparer, you should verify that the line references from these worksheets are the same as the equivalent federal publication to be certain that you are using the proper amounts.

# Line 41 - Refunds of State and Local Income Taxes

Enter the amount of taxable refunds of state and local income taxes reported on your federal Form 1040, Line 10. If federal Form 1040, Line 10 is blank, or if you filed federal Form 1040A, 1040EZ, or telefiled your federal return, enter "0."

Line 40 – SOCIAL SECURITY BENEFIT ADJUSTMENT WORKSHEET				
Enter the amount from Form CT-1040, Line 1.				
If your filing status is <b>Single</b> or <b>Married Filing Separately</b> , is the amount on Line 1 \$50,000 or more?				
Yes: <b>Complete</b> this worksheet.				
No: Do not complete this worksheet. Enter the amount of federally taxable Social Security b federal Form 1040, Line 20b, or federal Form 1040A, Line 14b, on Form CT-1040, Line 40		its you reported on		
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No: <b>Do not complete</b> this worksheet. Enter the amount of federally taxable Social Security ber Form 1040, Line 20b, or federal Form 1040A, Line 14b, on <b>Form CT-1040</b> , Line 40.	nefits	you reported on federal		
A. Enter the amount reported on your 2002 federal Social Security Benefits Worksheet, Line 1.	A.			
If Line A is zero or less, stop here and enter "0" on Line 40. Otherwise, go to Line B.				
B. Enter the amount reported on your 2002 federal Social Security Benefits Worksheet, Line 9.	B.			
If Line B is zero or less, stop here. Otherwise, go to Line C.				
C. Enter the lesser of Line A or Line B.	C.			
D. Multiply Line C by 25% (.25).	D.			
E. Taxable amount of Social Security benefits reported on your 2002 federal Social Security Benefits Worksheet, Line 18.	E.			
F. Social Security Benefit Adjustment - Subtract Line D from Line E. Enter the amount here and on Form CT-1040, <i>Schedule 1</i> , Line 40. (If Line D is greater than or equal to Line E, enter "0.")	F.			

#### Line 42 - Tier 1 and Tier 2 Railroad Retirement Benefits and Supplemental Annuities

If you received Tier 1 or Tier 2, or both, railroad retirement benefits or supplemental annuities during 2002, you may deduct the amount included in your federal adjusted gross income. Enter the total amount of Tier 1 and Tier 2 railroad retirement benefits reported on federal Form 1040, Line 16b or Line 20b, or federal Form 1040A, Line 12b or Line 14b. Likewise, enter the amount of railroad unemployment benefits, including sickness benefits paid by the Railroad Retirement Board (RRB) in lieu of unemployment benefits, to the extent included in your federal adjusted gross income. However, do not enter sickness benefits paid by the RRB resulting from an on-the-job injury, because these benefits are not included in your federal adjusted gross income.

#### Line 43 - Do not use. Line reserved for future use. Line 44 - Beneficiary's Share of Connecticut Fiduciary Adjustment

If you have any income from an estate or trust, your share of any Connecticut modifications (that is, your share of the Connecticut fiduciary adjustment) that apply to such income will be shown on **Form CT-1041**, *Connecticut Income Tax Return for Trusts and Estates, Schedule B*, Part 1, Column 5. Your share of these modifications should be provided to you by the fiduciary. If your share of these modifications is an amount less than zero, enter the amount on Line 44. If the amount is greater than zero, enter the amount on Line 34.

If you are a beneficiary of more than one trust or estate, enter the net amount of all such modifications, if less than zero, on Line 44.

# Line 45 - Gain on Sale of Connecticut State and Local Government Bonds

Enter the total of all gains from the sale or exchange of notes, bonds, or other obligations of the State of Connecticut or its municipalities used in determining gain (loss) for federal income tax purposes.

#### Line 46 - Other

Use Line 46 to report any of the following modifications:

1. Subtract the amount of any distributions that you received from the Connecticut Higher Education Trust Fund (CHET) as a designated beneficiary to the extent includable in your federal adjusted gross income.

**Note:** Congress recently passed legislation excluding from federal gross income any distribution from a qualified State tuition program (such as CHET), to the extent that the distribution is used to pay for qualified higher education expenses (Pub. L. No. 107-16, §402). To the extent any distribution from CHET is excluded from federal gross income, the amount should not be reported as a subtraction modification on Line 46.

- Subtract any income or gain of an enrolled member of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe who resides in Indian country of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe, where such income or gain is derived from or connected with Indian country of such tribe. Enter the words "Mashantucket Pequot Tribe enrolled member." See Informational Publication 99(29), Connecticut Income Tax Obligations of Enrolled Members of the Mashantucket Pequot Tribe.
- 3. Subtract the amount of any settlement payment received, to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income; (1) As a result of a settlement in the Holocaust Victims' Asset Litigation, C.A. No. 96-4849, in the U.S. District Court for Eastern District of New York; (2) Under the German act regulating unresolved property claims also known as Gesetz zur Regelung offener Vermogensfragen, or any other foreign law providing payments for Holocaust claims; or (3) As a result of the settlement of any other Holocaust claim, including insurance claims, claims relating to looted art, claims relating to looted financial assets, or claims relating to slave labor wages. Also include any interest that is accumulated or accrued through the date of payment. Enter the words "Holocaust Victim settlement payment."

**Note:** Congress recently passed legislation excluding from federal gross income certain restitution payments received by victims (or their heirs) of the Nazi Regime (Pub. L. No. 107-16, §803). The Internal Revenue Service will revise the 2002 Form 1040 instructions, Publication 17, and Publication 525 to inform Holocaust victims or their heirs about this income exclusion. To the extent any restitution payment is excluded from federal gross income, the amount should not be reported as a subtraction modification on Line 46.

- 4. Subtract the amount of interest earned on funds deposited in a Connecticut individual development account, to the extent included in federal adjusted gross income.
- 5. Subtract any interest paid on indebtedness incurred to acquire investments that provide income taxable in Connecticut but exempt for federal purposes, that is not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income, and that is attributable to a trade or business of that individual.
- 6. Subtract expenses paid or incurred for the production (including management, conservation, and maintenance of property held for production) or collection of income taxable in Connecticut but exempt from federal income tax, which were not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income, and that is attributable to a trade or business of that individual.
- 7. Subtract any amortizable bond premium on bonds that provide interest income taxable in Connecticut but exempt from federal income tax, which premiums were not deductible in determining federal adjusted gross income, and that is attributable to a trade or business of that individual.

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Quick and easy! Page 21 8. Subtract the amount of any interest income from notes, bonds, or other obligations of the State of Connecticut, which interest income is included in federal adjusted gross income.

Do **not** use Line 46 to subtract income subject to tax in a qualifying jurisdiction (see *Schedule 2 - Credit for Income Taxes Paid to Qualifying Jurisdictions*, below) or income of a nonresident spouse (see *Special Rules for Married Individuals* on Page 14).

#### Line 47 - Total Subtractions

Add Lines 38 through 46. Enter the total on **Form CT-1040**, Line 47.

### Schedule 2 - Credit for Income Taxes Paid to Qualifying Jurisdictions

**Important:** You **must** first complete **Form CT-1040**, Schedule 3 - Credit for Property Taxes Paid on Your Primary Residence and/or Motor Vehicle, before completing Schedule 2. See instructions on Page 25.

# Am I Eligible for the Credit for Income Taxes Paid to Qualifying Jurisdictions

If you are a **resident** of Connecticut and if any part of your income was taxed by a **qualifying jurisdiction**, you may be able to claim a credit against your Connecticut income tax liability for qualifying income tax payments that you have made.

Taxpayers seeking a credit for alternative minimum taxes paid to another jurisdiction must complete **Form CT-6251**, *Connecticut Alternative Minimum Tax Return-Individuals*, to calculate their alternative minimum tax credit.

#### What is a Qualifying Jurisdiction

A *qualifying jurisdiction* includes another state of the U.S., a local government within another state, or the District of Columbia. A *qualifying jurisdiction* does not include the State of Connecticut, the U.S., or a foreign country or its provinces (for example, Canada and Canadian provinces).

#### What are Qualifying Income Tax Payments

Qualifying income tax payments are income taxes that you actually paid on income:

- Derived from or connected with sources within the qualifying jurisdiction; **and**
- Subject to tax in the qualifying jurisdiction.

# What is Income Derived From or Connected With Sources Within a Qualifying Jurisdiction

- Compensation that is received for personal services performed in a qualifying jurisdiction;
- Income from a business, trade, or profession carried on in a qualifying jurisdiction;
- Gambling winnings from a state-conducted lottery. See **Informational Publication 2002(18)**, *Connecticut Income Tax Treatment of State Lottery Winnings*; or

• Income from real or tangible personal property situated in a qualifying jurisdiction.

Income from intangibles, such as stocks and bonds, is not considered derived from or connected with sources within a qualifying jurisdiction **unless** the income is from property employed in a business, trade, or profession carried on in that jurisdiction.

#### What Payments Do Not Qualify

- Income tax payments that are made to a qualifying jurisdiction on income that was not derived from or connected with sources within the qualifying jurisdiction (such as wages that are not derived from or connected with sources within the qualifying jurisdiction);
- Income tax payments that are made to a qualifying jurisdiction on income that was not included in your Connecticut adjusted gross income;
- Income tax paid to a jurisdiction that is not a qualifying jurisdiction, including a foreign country or its provinces (for example, Canada and Canadian provinces);
- Alternative minimum tax paid to a qualifying jurisdiction;
- Income tax paid to a qualifying jurisdiction if you claimed credit on that jurisdiction's income tax return for income tax paid to Connecticut; **or**
- Penalties or interest on income taxes that you paid to a qualifying jurisdiction.

#### What Limitations Apply to the Credit

The total credit is limited to whichever of the following amounts is least:

- The amount of income tax paid to the qualifying jurisdiction;
- The portion of Connecticut income tax due on the Connecticut adjusted gross income that is sourced in the qualifying jurisdiction; **or**
- The amount of your Connecticut income tax entered on Form CT-1040, Line 6.

#### How Do I Calculate the Credit

You **must** first complete your income tax return(s) in the qualifying jurisdiction(s). Then, complete *Schedule 2 - Worksheet*, on Page 23, to determine the amount to enter on *Schedule 2 - Credit for Income Taxes Paid to Qualifying Jurisdictions*, Line 50.

The allowed credit must be separately computed for each qualifying jurisdiction. Use separate columns for each qualifying jurisdiction for which you are claiming a credit. Attach a copy of all income tax returns filed with qualifying jurisdictions to your Connecticut income tax return or the credit will be disallowed.

*Schedule 2* provides two columns, A and B, to compute the credit for two jurisdictions. If you need more than two columns, create a worksheet identical to *Schedule 2* and attach it to the back of your **Form CT-1040**.

If you are claiming credit for income taxes paid to another state **and** to one of its political subdivisions, follow these rules to determine your credit:

- A. If the **same amount** of income is taxed by both the city and state (see Example on Page 25):
  - 1. Use only **one** column on **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 2* to calculate your credit;
  - 2. Enter the same income taxed by both city and state in that column on *Schedule 2*; and
  - 3. Combine the amounts of tax paid to the city and the state and enter the total on Line 54 of that column.
- B. If the **amounts** of income taxed by both the city and state **are not the same**:
  - 1. Use two columns on Form CT-1040, Schedule 2;
  - 2. Include only the same income taxed by both jurisdictions in the first column; **and**
  - 3. Include the excess income taxed by only one of the jurisdictions in the next column.

### Schedule 2 - Worksheet Instructions

Complete Schedule 2 – Worksheet to determine the portion of your Connecticut adjusted gross income that is derived from a qualifying jurisdiction. For each line in Column II, enter the items of income from Column I that meet **all** of the following conditions:

- The income is derived from or connected with sources within a qualifying jurisdiction;
- The income is reported on an income tax return filed with that qualifying jurisdiction and subject to income tax in such jurisdiction; **and**
- You have paid income tax on the income to that qualifying jurisdiction.

If you paid income tax to more than one qualifying jurisdiction, you must complete a separate worksheet for each jurisdiction. Keep this worksheet with your 2002 tax records. Do not attach to your tax return.

The federal income tax return line references are to the federal Form 1040. If you file a federal Form 1040A, federal Form 1040EZ, or federal TeleFile Tax Record, use the appropriate lines from those forms.

#### Column I

Enter on Lines 1 through 15 of the worksheet, the amounts entered on Lines 7 through 21, respectively, of your federal income tax return.

SCHEDULE 2 - WORKSHEET			
Complete this worksheet and enter the amount from Line 20, Column II, on <b>Form CT-1040</b> , <i>Schedule 2</i> , Line 50. Complete a separate worksheet for each qualifying jurisdiction if you paid income tax to more than one qualifying jurisdiction.		Column I	Column II Amount Taxable in Qualifying Jurisdiction
1. Wages, salaries, tips, etc.	1.		
2. Taxable interest	2.		
3. Ordinary dividends	3.		
4. Taxable refunds, credits, or offsets of state and local income taxes	4.		
5. Alimony received	5.		
6. Business income or (loss)	6.		
7. Capital gain or (loss)	7.		
8. Other gains or (losses)	8.		
9. Taxable amount of IRA distributions	9.		
10. Taxable amount of pensions and annuities	10.		
11. Rental real estate, royalties, partnerships, S corporations, trusts, etc.	11.		
12. Farm income or (loss)	12.		
13. Unemployment compensation	13.		
14. Taxable amount of social security benefits	14.		
15. Other income (including lump-sum distributions)	15.		
16. Add Lines 1 through 15	16.		
17. Total federal adjustments to income	17.		
18. Federal adjusted gross income (Subtract Line 17 from Line 16)	18.		
19. Connecticut modifications (See instructions)	19.		
20. Connecticut adjusted gross income (Add Line 18 and Line 19) Enter the amount from Column II on <b>Form CT-1040</b> , <i>Schedule 2</i> , Line 50	20.		

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Enter on Line 17 of the worksheet the amount entered on Line 34 of your federal income tax return.

Enter on Line 19 of the worksheet the **net** amount of your Connecticut modifications to federal adjusted gross income. (Subtract **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 1*, Line 47 from Line 37, to arrive at this amount.)

#### Column II

For each line, enter that portion of the amount entered on the same line of Column I that you reported on an income tax return filed with (and on which income tax was paid to) the qualifying jurisdiction. On Line 19 enter only the portion of Connecticut modifications **directly related** to income sourced in the qualifying jurisdiction. The fact that the qualifying jurisdiction may take into account your entire adjusted gross income (to compute the rate at which your income sourced in that jurisdiction will be taxed) does not mean that you paid income tax to that jurisdiction on your entire adjusted gross income. Because you are a nonresident of the qualifying jurisdiction, you may be taxed by that jurisdiction only on your income sourced in that jurisdiction.

**Example 1:** Laura, a Connecticut resident whose filing status is single, earned wages of \$150,000 from a company located in the State of New York. Laura works inside and outside of New York and allocated her wage income based upon the days worked in New York. She determined \$100,000 to be her New York State allocated wage income and reported and paid this amount on her New York nonresident income tax return. On her federal Form 1040, Line 7, she entered \$150,000. When completing *Schedule 2 - Worksheet*, she will enter \$150,000 in Column I, Line 1, and \$100,000 in Column II, Line 1. Laura will also enter \$100,000 on **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 2*, Line 50.

**Example 2:** Luke and Leslie file a joint federal Form 1040 and a joint **Form CT-1040**. Leslie's wages as an employee working in Rhode Island are \$20,000 and Luke's wages as an employee working in Connecticut are \$25,000. On their federal Form 1040, Line 7, they will enter \$45,000. When completing *Schedule 2 - Worksheet*, Luke and Leslie will enter \$45,000 in Column I, Line 1, and \$20,000 in Column II, Line 1. Luke and Leslie will also enter \$20,000 on **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 2*, Line 50.

**Example 3:** Linda is a sole proprietor of a business conducted at two locations: one in Connecticut and one in Massachusetts. On Linda's federal Form 1040, Line 12, she entered \$100,000. Of the \$150,000 of gross income reported on federal Form 1040, Schedule C, \$90,000 is derived from the Massachusetts location. Of the \$50,000 of expenses reported on Schedule C, \$35,000 is derived from the Massachusetts location. When completing *Schedule 2 - Worksheet*, Linda will enter \$100,000 in Column I, Line 6, and \$55,000 (\$90,000 - \$35,000) in Column II, Line 6. Linda will also enter \$55,000 on **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 2*, Line 50.

### Schedule 2 – Line Instructions

#### Line 48 - Modified Connecticut Adjusted Gross Income

Add to Connecticut adjusted gross income from Line 5, any **net** loss derived from or connected with sources in a qualifying jurisdiction(s) where you were subject to income taxation, whether or not income tax was actually paid to the jurisdiction(s). The modified amount is entered on Line 48.

**Example:** Fred's Connecticut adjusted gross income of \$60,000 includes income of \$15,000 from business activities conducted in Massachusetts and a net loss of \$20,000 from a business conducted in Rhode Island. He must add the \$20,000 net loss to the \$60,000 and enter the \$80,000 on Line 48.

#### Line 49 - Taxing Jurisdiction(s)

If you claim credit for income taxes paid to a qualifying jurisdiction, enter on Line 49 the name and the two-letter code of each qualifying jurisdiction for which you are claiming credit. If you are claiming credit for income taxes paid to a political subdivision of another state, enter on Line 49 the name and two-letter code of the state.

#### Standard Two-letter Codes

AlabamaAL	Louisiana LA	Ohio OH
ArizonaAZ	Maine ME	Oklahoma OK
Arkansas AR	Maryland MD	Oregon OR
CaliforniaCA	Massachusetts MA	Pennsylvania PA
ColoradoCO	Michigan MI	Rhode Island RI
Delaware DE	Minnesota MN	South Carolina SC
District of Columbia DC	Mississippi MS	Tennessee TN
GeorgiaGA	Missouri MO	Utah UT
Hawaii HI	Montana MT	Vermont VT
IdahoID	Nebraska NE	Virginia VA
IllinoisIL	New Jersey NJ	West Virginia WV
Indiana IN	New Mexico NM	Wisconsin WI
IowaIA	New York NY	
KansasKS	North Carolina NC	
KentuckyKY	North Dakota ND	

#### Line 50 - Non-Connecticut Income

Complete the *Schedule 2 - Worksheet*, on Page 23, to determine the total of non-Connecticut income which is included in your Connecticut adjusted gross income and is reported on a qualifying jurisdiction's income tax return. Enter on Line 50 the amount from Column II, Line 20 of the Worksheet.

#### Line 51

Divide the amount on Line 50 by the amount on Line 48. The result cannot exceed 1.0000. Round to four decimal places.

#### Line 52 - Income Tax Liability

Subtract Line 11 from Line 6 and enter the result on Line 52.

### Line 53

Multiply the percentage arrived at on Line 51 by the amount reported on Line 52.

**Example:** Jean is a Connecticut resident who worked in City Y, a city in State X, during the 2002 taxable year. Jean's filing status is single and her Connecticut adjusted gross income is \$160,000. The amount entered on Jean's **Form CT-1040**, Line 52 is \$6,950. Both State X and City Y impose an income tax. Her Connecticut adjusted gross income derived from State X is \$80,000, as is her Connecticut adjusted gross income derived from City Y. Because the amounts of income taxed by both State X and City Y are the same, Jean will use one column on **Form CT-1040**, *Schedule 2*. Jean pays an income tax of \$6,000 to State X and an income tax of \$360 to City Y. Since Jean's **Form CT-1040**, Line 48 is \$160,000, her *Schedule 2* will be completed as follows:

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	COLUMN A	COLUMN B
LINE 49	State X, City Y	
LINE 50	80,000 00	
LINE 51	.5000	
LINE 52	6,950 00	
LINE 53	3,475 00	
LINE 54	6,360 00	
LINE 55	3,475 00	
LINE 56	TOTAL CREDIT	3,475 00

# Line 54 - Income Tax Paid to a Qualifying Jurisdiction

Enter on Line 54 the total amount of income tax paid to a qualifying jurisdiction.

*Income tax paid* means the lesser of your income tax liability to the qualifying jurisdiction or the income tax paid to that jurisdiction as reported on a return filed with that jurisdiction, but not penalty or interest. Do **not** report the amount of tax withheld for that jurisdiction directly from your W-2 or 1099 form. You **must** first complete a return for the qualifying jurisdiction in order to determine the amount of income tax paid.

#### Line 55

Enter on Line 55 the lesser of the amounts reported on Line 53 or Line 54.

#### Line 56 - Total Credit for Income Taxes Paid to Qualifying Jurisdictions

Add the amounts from Line 55A, Line 55B, and Line 55 of any additional worksheets. The amount on Line 56 cannot exceed the amount on Line 53. Enter the total on Line 56 and on **Form CT-1040**, Line 7.

Attach a copy of the income tax return filed with each qualifying jurisdiction to your Connecticut income tax return or the credit will be disallowed.

### Schedule 3 – Credit for Property Taxes Paid on Your Primary Residence and/or Motor Vehicle

Connecticut residents **must** complete *Schedule 3* to determine the amount of credit (if any) that may be taken against a Connecticut income tax liability. The credit is for property taxes paid during 2002 to a Connecticut political subdivision on a primary residence and/or a privately owned or leased motor vehicle. If you entered zero on **Form CT-1040**, Line 10, **do not** complete this schedule. See **Informational Publication 2002(23)**, *Q&A: Income Tax Credit for Property Taxes Paid to a Connecticut Political Subdivision*.

### Which Property Tax Bills Qualify

You may take credit against your 2002 Connecticut income tax liability for property tax payments that you made on your primary residence and/or privately owned or leased motor vehicle to a Connecticut political subdivision. Generally, property tax bills that were due and paid during 2002 qualify for this credit. This includes any installment payments that you made during 2002 that were due in 2002 and any installments that you prepaid during 2002 that were due in 2003. Supplemental property tax bills that were due during 2002 or 2003 also qualify if paid during 2002. However, the late payment of any property tax bills or the payment of any interest, fees, or charges related to the property tax bill do not qualify for the credit.

A husband and wife who file a joint Connecticut income tax return may consider property tax bills for which the husband or wife, or both, are liable.

You may take credit for a leased motor vehicle if you had a written lease agreement for a term of more than one year, and the property tax became due and was paid during 2002 (either by the leasing company or by you). Refer to your January 2003 billing statement from the leasing company in order to determine the amount of property taxes that may be eligible for the credit. Your statement will either indicate the amount of property taxes paid on your leased motor vehicle or provide you with a toll-free number that you may call to obtain the necessary information. If you do not receive a billing statement in January 2003, contact your leasing company for the appropriate property tax information.

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**Example 1:** Lisa received a property tax bill for a motor vehicle that was listed on her town's October 1, 2000, grand list. The bill was payable in two installments, July 1, 2001, and January 1, 2002. If Lisa paid the January 1, 2002, installment on January 1, 2002, she would be eligible to claim it on her 2002 income tax return, but if she prepaid it during 2001, she would not be eligible to take credit for it on her 2002 return, but she may have been eligible to take credit for it on her 2001 return.

**Example 2:** Mary received a property tax bill for a motor vehicle that was listed on her town's October 1, 2001, grand list. The bill was payable in two installments, July 1, 2002, and January 1, 2003. Mary is eligible to take credit for both installments on her 2002 income tax return, if she paid both installments during 2002. If Mary waited until January 1, 2003, to pay her second installment, she would not be eligible to take credit for this installment, but she may be eligible to take credit for it on her 2003 return.

#### **Maximum Credit Allowed**

The **maximum** credit allowed (on your primary residence or motor vehicle, or both) is **\$500** per return, regardless of filing status. If you paid more than \$100 in property tax you may be subject to a limitation based on your Connecticut Adjusted Gross Income (Connecticut AGI).

This credit cannot exceed the amount of qualifying property taxes paid or the amount of tax entered on **Form CT-1040**, Line 10. To be allowed this credit, you must complete *Schedule 3* in its entirety.

#### **Motor Vehicle Credit Restrictions**

The number of motor vehicles eligible for this credit depends on your filing status as shown on the front of your Connecticut income tax return. Any individual whose filing status is *Single*, *Married Filing Separately*, or *Head of Household* is limited to the property tax paid on **one** motor vehicle, even if the individual sells a motor vehicle and purchases a replacement motor vehicle during the taxable year and only owns one motor vehicle at any time during the taxable year. Individuals whose filing status is *Married Filing Jointly* are limited to the property taxes paid on **two** motor vehicles.

## Schedule 3 – Line Instructions

#### Column A - Name of Connecticut Tax Town or District

Enter the Connecticut town or taxing district to which the qualifying property tax was paid.

### Column B - Description of Property

Enter the description of the property. If a primary residence, enter the street address. If a motor vehicle, enter the year, make, and model.

### Column C - List or Bill Number

Enter the list or bill number from your property tax bill.

### Column D - Date(s) Paid

Enter the date(s) that you paid qualifying property tax.

### Column E - Amount Paid

Enter the amount of property tax paid.

### Line 57 - Primary Residence

Enter the total amount of property tax paid on your primary residence.

#### Line 58 - Auto 1

Enter the total amount of property tax paid on your motor vehicle.

#### Line 59 - Married Filing Jointly Only - Auto 2

Enter the total amount of property tax paid on your second motor vehicle.

#### Line 62

Enter the **lesser** of Line 60 or Line 61. If \$100 or less, enter this amount on Line 64 and on the front of **Form CT-1040**, Line 11. If greater than \$100, go to Line 63.

#### Line 63

Enter "0" on Line 63 and go to Line 64 if your:

Filing status is:	Connecticut adjusted gross income is:
Married Filing Jointly Married Filing Separately	\$ 54,500 or less \$100,500 or less y\$ 50,250 or less \$ 78,500 or less

Otherwise, you **must** complete the *Property Tax Credit Limitation Worksheet* on Page 27. Enter the amount from Line 5 of the Worksheet on Line 63.

#### Line 64

Subtract Line 63 from Line 62. Enter here and on the front of **Form CT-1040**, Line 11.

File over the Internet.

## **PROPERTY TAX CREDIT LIMITATION WORKSHEET**

<b>IMPORTANT:</b> Enter the amount from <b>Form CT-1040</b> , <i>Schedule 3 - Credit for Property Taxes Paid on</i> Your Primary Residence and/or Motor Vehicle, Line 62, on Line 64, and <b>do not complete this worksheet if</b> your filing status is:					
Single and your Connecticut AGI is\$	54,50	0 or less			
Married Filing Jointly and your Connecticut AGI is\$1	)0,50	0 or less			
Married Filing Separately and your Connecticut AGI is\$	50,250	0 or less			
Head of Household and your Connecticut AGI is\$	78,50	0 or less			
Otherwise, complete Lines 1 through 5 below.					
1. Enter the amount reported on Form CT-1040, Schedule 3, Line 62	1.				
2. Credit allowed (not subject to limitation)	2.	100.00			
3. Subtract Line 2 from Line 1	3.				
4. Enter the <b>decimal amount</b> for your filing status and Connecticut AGI from the Limitation Table <b>exactly as it appears below. (If zero, stop here. Your credit is not limited.)</b>	4.				
5. Multiply Line 3 by Line 4. Enter the result here and on <b>Form CT-1040</b> , <i>Schedule 3</i> , Line 63.	5.				

#### **PROPERTY TAX CREDIT LIMITATION TABLE** Use your filing status on the front of your tax return and your Connecticut AGI - Form CT-1040, Line 5.

Example 1: If your filing status is Single and your Connecticut AGI is \$55,000, enter .10 on Line 4.

Example 2: If your filing status is Married filing jointly and your Connecticut AGI is \$121,000 enter .30 on Line 4.

Example 3: If your filing status is Single and your Connecticut AGI is \$54,500, do not complete this worksheet.

SINGLE			MARRIED FILING JOINTLY			
If you are Single and your Connecticut AGI is:			If you are Married filing jointly and your Connecticut AGI is:			
More <u>Than</u> <b>\$0</b> <b>\$54,500</b> <b>\$64,500</b> <b>\$74,500</b> <b>\$84,500</b> <b>\$94,500</b> <b>\$104,500</b> <b>\$104,500</b> <b>\$124,500</b> <b>\$134,500</b> <b>\$144,500</b>	Less Than or Equal to \$54,500 \$64,500 \$74,500 \$94,500 \$104,500 \$114,500 \$124,500 \$134,500 \$144,500 and up	Decimal Amount 0 .10 .20 .30 .40 .50 .60 .70 .80 .90 1.00	More <u>Than</u> <b>\$0</b> <b>\$100,500</b> <b>\$110,500</b> <b>\$120,500</b> <b>\$130,500</b> <b>\$140,500</b> <b>\$150,500</b> <b>\$160,500</b> <b>\$160,500</b> <b>\$160,500</b> <b>\$170,500</b> <b>\$180,500</b> <b>\$190,500</b>	Less Than or Equal to \$100,500 \$110,500 \$120,500 \$130,500 \$140,500 \$160,500 \$160,500 \$170,500 \$180,500 \$180,500 \$190,500 and up	Decimal Amount 0 .10 .20 .30 .40 .50 .60 .70 .80 .90 1.00	
MARRIED FILING SEPARATELY			HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD			
If you are Married filing separately and your Connecticut AGI is:			If you are Head of household and your Connecticut AGI is:			
More <u>Than</u> <b>\$0</b> <b>\$50,250</b> <b>\$55,250</b> <b>\$60,250</b> <b>\$60,250</b> <b>\$60,250</b> <b>\$75,250</b> <b>\$75,250</b> <b>\$80,250</b> <b>\$80,250</b> <b>\$85,250</b> <b>\$90,250</b> <b>\$95,250</b>	Less Than <u>or Equal to</u> \$50,250 \$55,250 \$60,250 \$65,250 \$70,250 \$75,250 \$80,250 \$85,250 \$90,250 \$90,250 \$95,250 and up	Decimal Amount 0 .10 .20 .30 .40 .50 .60 .70 .80 .90 1.00	More <u>Than</u> <b>\$0</b> <b>\$78,500</b> <b>\$88,500</b> <b>\$98,500</b> <b>\$108,500</b> <b>\$118,500</b> <b>\$128,500</b> <b>\$138,500</b> <b>\$138,500</b> <b>\$148,500</b> <b>\$168,500</b>	Less Than <u>or Equal to</u> <b>\$78,500</b> <b>\$88,500</b> <b>\$98,500</b> <b>\$108,500</b> <b>\$108,500</b> <b>\$118,500</b> <b>\$128,500</b> <b>\$138,500</b> <b>\$138,500</b> <b>\$148,500</b> <b>\$168,500</b> <b>and up</b>	Decimal Amount 0 .10 .20 .30 .40 .50 .60 .70 .80 .90 1.00	

# SCHEDULE 4 - CONTRIBUTIONS OF REFUND TO DESIGNATED CHARITIES

Check the appropriate box or write in a whole dollar amount for each fund to which you wish to contribute. Add your contributions and enter the total on Line 65 and on the front of **Form CT-1040**, Line 23. **Your contribution is irrevocable.** 

AIDS RESEARCH	ORGAN	ENDANGERED SPECIES,	BREAST CANCER	SAFETYNET
EDUCATION FUND	TRANSPLANTFUND	NATURALAREA	RESEARCHAND	SERVICESFUND
This fund assists research.	This fund assists	PRESERVES, AND WATCHABLE WILDLIFE	<b>EDUCATION FUND</b>	This fund protects the children
education, and community	Connecticut residents in	FUND	This fund assists research,	of families who are no longer
service programs related to	paying for the unmet medical	FUND	education, and community	eligible for public assistance
Acquired Immune Deficiency	and ancillary needs of organ	This fund helps preserve, protect,	service programs related to breast	benefits. The fund is
Syndrome (AIDS). The fund	transplant candidates and	and manage Connecticut's	cancer. The fund is administered	administered by the
is administered by the	recipients. The fund is	endangered plants and animals,	by the Connecticut Department of	Connecticut Department of
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Public Health.	Connecticut Department of	fund is administered by the	To contribute directly send to:	To contribute directly send to:
To contribute directly send to:	Social Services.	Connecticut Department of	Department of Public Health	Department of Social
AIDS Division,	To contribute directly send to:	Environmental Protection.	Breast and Cervical Cancer	Services
Department of	Department of Social	To contribute directly send to:	Early Detection Program	Accounts Receivable
Public Health	Services	Department of Environmental	MS#11 HLS	25 Sigourney Street
MS#11APV	Accounts Receivable	Protection-Bureau of	PO Box 340308	Hartford CT 06106-5003
PO Box 340308	25 Sigourney Street	Administration Financial	Hartford CT 06134-0308	Make check payable to:
Hartford CT 06134-0308	Hartford CT 06106-5003	Management	Make check payable to:	"Commissioner of Social
Make check payable to:	Make check payable to:	79 Elm Street	"Treasurer, State of	Services/Safety Net Fund''
"Treasurer, State of	"Commissioner of Social	Hartford CT 06106-5127	Connecticut/Breast Cancer	
Connecticut/AIDSFund"	Services/Organ Transplant	Make check payable to:	Fund"	
	Fund"	"DEP-Endangered Species/		
l		Wildlife Fund"		J

# **OTHER TAXES THAT YOU MAY OWE**

The information that follows is intended to be a general description of other Connecticut taxes for which you may be liable. More detailed information is available in the forms or publications specified. Failure to pay these taxes, if you are liable for them, may subject you to civil and criminal penalties.

### Connecticut Gift Tax (Form CT-709)

Gifts made during the calendar year by resident and nonresident individuals are subject to the Connecticut gift tax. Residents are subject to tax on all gifts of intangible property and of real and tangible personal property located in Connecticut. Nonresidents are taxed on gifts of real and tangible personal property located in Connecticut. In general, gifts made to any particular donee are not subject to the Connecticut gift tax unless the value of all such gifts to that donee during the calendar year exceeds \$11,000. The tax is computed on the fair market value of the property that was given. The donor is liable for the tax, but if the donor does not pay the tax, it may be collected from the donee. The tax is reported on, and paid upon the filing of **Form CT-709**, *Connecticut Gift Tax Return*. The return must be filed, and the gift tax paid, on or before April 15 annually, for gifts made during the preceding calendar year.

#### Connecticut Income Tax Withholding for Household Employers

Connecticut rules differ from federal rules. Household employers may not report and pay household employee withholding tax with their Connecticut income tax return. See **Special Notice 96(8)**, 1996 Legislative Changes Concerning "Nanny Tax" Withholding.

#### **Business Entity Tax (Form OP-424)**

For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2002, there is an annual tax of \$250 on each:

- S Corporation;
- Limited Liability Partnership;
- Limited Partnership; or
- Limited Liability Company, which is, for federal income tax purposes, either treated as a partnership if it has two or more members, or disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, if it has a single member;

that is required to file an annual report with the Connecticut Secretary of the State. See **Special Notice 2002(11)**, *Business Entity Tax.* An entity that has a Connecticut tax registration number issued by DRS will automatically be registered for the Business Entity Tax and be mailed **Form OP-424**. If an entity does not have a Connecticut number, one can be obtained by completing **Form REG-1**, *Business Taxes Registration Application.* The failure to receive **FormOP-424** will not excuse any entity from the obligation to file it and to pay the Business Entity Tax.

# INDIVIDUAL USE TAX WORKSHEET

Complete this worksheet if you have a Connecticut individual use tax liability. If you require additional lines, you should copy this worksheet.

You owe use tax if you purchased taxable goods or services during the taxable year and did not pay Connecticut sales tax on the purchases. Refer to *Questions and Answers About the Connecticut Individual Use Tax*, on Page 30.

Enter only those purchases subject to use tax that you have **not** previously reported on Form OP-186, *Connecticut Individual Use Tax Return.* 

List separately on this worksheet any individual item with a purchase price of \$300 or more and complete Columns A through G. Although you do not need to list separately any individual item with a purchase price of less than \$300, such items are subject to tax and the total of the purchase prices of these items should be reported on Line 1, Column D. Multiply the sales and use tax rate by the purchase price of the item and enter the result in Column E.

Enter the total tax for all taxable purchases on Line 2 of this worksheet and on Form CT-1040EZ, Line 7; Form CT-1040, Line 15; or Form CT-1040NR/PY, Line 17. You must attach a copy of this worksheet to your Connecticut income tax return if you are reporting the purchase of any individual item with a purchase price of \$300 or more.

COLUMN A	COLUMN B	COLUMN C	COLUMN D	COLUMN E	COLUMN F	COLUMN G
DATE OF PURCHASE	DESCRIPTION OF GOODS OR SERVICES	RETAILER OR SERVICE PROVIDER	PURCHASE PRICE	CT TAX DUE (.06 X Column D)	TAX, IF ANY, PAID TO ANOTHER JURISDICTION	BALANCE DUE (Column E minus Column F but not less than zero)
1. Total of individual purchases under \$300 not listed above						1.
2. Individual Use Tax (Add all amounts for Column G.) En						2.

Line 7; Form CT-1040, Line 15; or Form CT-1040NR/PY, Line 17. You must enter "0" on the appropriate line of your Connecticut income tax return if no Connecticut use tax is due.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE CONNECTICUT INDIVIDUAL USE TAX

For additional information, see Informational Publication 2002(21), *Q&A on the Connecticut Individual Use Tax.* 

#### 1. What is the use tax?

When you make a retail purchase in this state, you usually pay sales tax to the seller, who in turn pays the tax to DRS. Sometimes Connecticut sales tax is not paid to the retailer. In these situations, the purchaser must pay the use tax directly to DRS.

# 2. On what kinds of goods or services must I pay use tax?

You must pay use tax on taxable tangible personal property, whether purchased or leased. Examples of taxable personal property include items of clothing costing \$75 or more, automobiles, appliances, furniture, jewelry, cameras, VCRs, computers, and prewritten computer software. Some taxable services include repair services to your television, motor vehicle, or computer, landscaping services for your home, reupholstering services for your household furniture, or charges for on-line access to computer services.

#### 3. Are there exemptions from the use tax?

Yes. If you buy goods or services in Connecticut that are exempt from sales tax, they are exempt from the use tax if you buy them out-of-state for use in Connecticut. Some examples are items of clothing that cost less than \$75, newspapers, magazines by subscription, charges to access the Internet through an Internet provider's server, and repair and maintenance services to vessels.

# 4. Do I owe Connecticut use tax on all my out-of-state purchases of taxable goods and services?

No. If all the items you purchased **and brought into** Connecticut at one time total \$25 or less, you do not have to pay Connecticut use tax. The \$25 exemption does **not** apply to items that are **shipped or mailed** to you.

#### 5. What is the use tax rate?

In general, the use tax rate for taxable goods or services is 6% (.06). However, effective July 1, 2001, computer and data processing services are taxed at 1% (.01).

# 6. What if I buy taxable goods or services in another state and the vendor charges sales tax for the other state?

If the goods or services were purchased for use in Connecticut and the tax paid to the other state is less than the Connecticut tax, you must report and pay the use tax. Your use tax due is the difference between the Connecticut tax and the tax paid to the other state.

**Example:** You purchased a \$1,000 refrigerator in another state, and paid a \$50 tax to that state. If you bought the refrigerator for use in Connecticut, you owe Connecticut use tax. The Connecticut tax of \$60 is reduced to \$10, after allowing \$50 credit for the tax paid to the other state. If no tax was paid to the other state, the Connecticut use tax is \$60.

#### 7. When must individuals pay the use tax?

You must pay the individual use tax when you file an individual income tax return. Forms CT-1040EZ, CT-1040, or CT-1040NR/PY, must be filed on or before April 15, 2003. If you are not required to file a Connecticut income tax return, you must pay the use tax on Form OP-186, *Connecticut Individual Use Tax Return*. You may file Form OP-186 for the entire year or you may file several returns throughout the year.

If you are engaged in a trade or business, you must register with DRS for business use tax and report purchases made in connection with your trade or business on **Form OS-114**, *Sales and Use Tax Return*.

# 8. What are the penalties and interest for not paying the use tax?

The penalty is 10% (.10) of the tax due. Interest is charged at the rate of 1% (.01) per month or fraction of a month from the due date of the tax return. There are also criminal sanctions for willful failure to file a tax return.

# 9. On what amount should the use tax be calculated?

Calculate the use tax by multiplying the total cost of the taxable goods or services purchased, including separately stated charges such as shipping and handling, by the tax rate (generally 6%).

#### **Amended Returns**

Use **Form CT-1040X**, *Amended Connecticut Income Tax Return*, to amend a previously filed Connecticut income tax return. If **Form CT-1040X** is filed to have an overpayment of Connecticut income tax refunded or credited, it must be filed before the Connecticut statute of limitations expires. Generally, the Connecticut statute of limitations for refunding or crediting any Connecticut income tax overpayment expires three years after the due date of the return, but if a timely request for an extension of time to file a return was filed, the statute of limitations expires three years after the extended due date of the return, or three years after the date of filing the return, whichever is earlier. If an amended return is not timely filed, a penalty may be imposed. Interest will also be assessed on any additional Connecticut income tax not paid on or before the due date. See *Interest and Penalties*, on Page 12.

#### The following circumstances require the filing of Form CT-1040X:

1	. The IRS or federal courts change or correct your federal income tax return, and the change or correction results in your Connecticut income tax being overpaid or underpaid.	<b>File Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the final determination.</b> If you file <b>Form CT-1040X</b> no later than 90 days after the final determination, any Connecticut income tax overpayment resulting from the final determination will be refunded or credited to you, even if the Connecticut statute of limitations has otherwise expired.
2	You filed a timely amended federal income tax return, and the amendment results in your Connecticut income tax being overpaid or underpaid.	<b>File Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the date you filed your timely amended federal return.</b> If you file <b>Form CT-1040X</b> no later than 90 days after the date of filing the timely amended federal income tax return, any Connecticut income tax overpayment resulting from filing the timely amended federal income tax return will be refunded or credited to you, even if the Connecticut statute of limitations has otherwise expired.
3.	You claimed a credit for income tax paid to a qualifying jurisdiction on your original income tax return and the tax officials or courts of that qualifying jurisdiction made a change or correction to your income tax return and the change or correction results in your Connecticut income tax being overpaid or underpaid (by increasing or decreasing the amount of your allowable credit).	<b>File Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the final determination</b> . If you file <b>Form CT-1040X</b> no later than 90 days after the final determination, any Connecticut income tax overpayment resulting from the final determination will be refunded or credited to you, even if the Connecticut statute of limitations has otherwise expired.
4.	You claimed a credit for income tax paid to a qualifying jurisdiction on your original income tax return and you filed a timely amended income tax return with that qualifying jurisdiction, and the amendment results in your Connecticut income tax being overpaid or underpaid (by increasing or decreasing the amount of your allowable credit).	File Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the date you filed your amended return with the qualifying jurisdiction. If you file Form CT-1040X no later than 90 days after the final determination, any Connecticut income tax overpayment resulting from the final determination will be refunded or credited to you, even if the Connecticut statute of limitations has otherwise expired.
5	If none of the above circumstances apply, but you made a mistake or omission on your Connecticut income tax return, and the mistake or omission results in your Connecticut income tax being overpaid or underpaid.	<b>File Form CT-1040X no later than three years after the due date of your return</b> , or if you filed a timely request for an extension of time to file, three years after the date of filing the return, or three years after the extended due date, whichever is earlier.

#### Do not file Form CT-1040X for any of the following reasons:

- To have an overpayment refunded instead of applied to next year's estimated tax or to change contributions made to designated funds. The elections that you made on your original return **cannot** be changed by filing **Form CT-1040X**.
- To amend your Connecticut income tax return for an earlier year in order to claim a credit for income tax paid on income which was included in your Connecticut adjusted gross income for that year and which you repaid in a later taxable year. File **Schedule CT-1040CRC**, *Claim of Right Credit*, with your Connecticut income tax return for the later taxable year.

#### **Financial Disability**

If you are financially disabled, as defined in I.R.C. §6511(h)(2), the time for having an overpayment of Connecticut income tax refunded or credited to you is extended for as long as you are financially disabled. You are considered financially disabled if you are unable to manage your own affairs by reason of a medically determinable physical or mental impairment that has lasted or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months. You are not considered financially disabled during any period that your spouse or any other person is authorized to act on your behalf in financial matters.

# TAXPAYER WORKSHEET

## 2002 TAXPAYER QUESTIONNAIRE

Department of Revenue Services, Taxpayer Services Division, PO Box 2987, Hartford CT 06104-2987

### A MESSAGE FROM COMMISSIONER GENE GAVIN

Your evaluation of the services provided by the Department of Revenue Services (DRS) will help us serve you better. We appreciate receiving your comments and suggestions at any time, but especially as you complete your income tax return. Please include this questionnaire with your return (**do not staple it to the return**) or mail it to the above address.

#### 1. Please rate your contacts with DRS in the past year.

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
DRS Web site (www.drs.state.ct.us)				
WebFile (on DRS Web site)				
Federal/State Electronic Filing (at a DRS Office)				
Recorded Tax Information (CONN-TAX Telephone System)				
Telephone Assistance from a DRS Representative				
Walk-in Assistance at a DRS Office				
Informational Publications				
Obtaining Connecticut Tax Forms				
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Please explain your rating for any category if Fair or Poor: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

#### 2. Check the form you completed for the 2002 taxable year:

TELEFILE CT-1040EZ		<b>C</b> T-1040	CT-1040NR/PY	<b>C</b> T-709	
INSTRUCTION BOOKLET	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	
Information is well organized	0	0	0	0	
Instructions are easy to follow	0	0	0	0	
Examples are clear	0	0	0	0	
FORM					
Form is easy to complete	0	0	0	0	
Form is well designed	0	0	0	0	

Please explain your rating for any category if you disagree or strongly disagree:

Please list any suggestions you have for changes to the 2003 Connecticut tax forms, instructions, and publications:

#### 4. Additional suggestions or comments? \_\_\_\_\_

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# Tax Tables

# Tax Calculation Schedule

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#### **CONNECTICUT TAX ASSISTANCE** FOR TAX INFORMATION FORMS AND PUBLICATIONS Visit the DRS Web site at: May be obtained 24 hours a day, seven days a week by www.drs.state.ct.us using any of the following resources: Call CONN-TAX: • Internet 1-800-382-9463 (in-state) or Preview and download forms and publications 860-297-5962 (from anywhere) from the DRS Web site at: www.drs.state.ct.us TTY, TDD, and Text Telephone users only may transmit inquiries 24 hours a day, seven days a week by calling 860-297-4911. DRS TaxFax Personal taxpayer assistance is available during business hours Call 860-297-5698 from the handset attached to listed below. Extended hours are available. Call CONN-TAX your fax machine and select from the menu; or or visit our Web site for details. Telephone Write to: From a touch-tone phone call: **Department of Revenue Services** Taxpayer Services Division 1-800-382-9463 (in-state) and select Option 2, 25 Sigourney Street Hartford CT 06106-5032 or 860-297-4753 (from anywhere). WALK-IN OFFICES **ELECTRONIC FILING OPTIONS** File your return over the For free assistance or forms, visit our offices from Monday Internet using WebFile. Visit: through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. For pre-recorded directions to DRS offices, call CONN-TAX and press 6. If you require www.drs.state.ct.us special accommodations, please advise the DRS representative. File your return using a BRIDGEPORT HAMDEN touch-tone telephone by calling: **10 Middle Street** 3074 Whitney Avenue, Bldg. #2 860-692-9787 203-336-7890 203-287-8243 HARTFORD NORWICH File your federal and 25 Sigourney Street 2 Cliff Street Connecticut returns together 860-297-5962 860-889-2669 using e-file! Visit: WATERBURY CUCK. ZP **Rowland State Government Center** www.irs.gov/efile FAST ROUND TRP. 55 West Main Street, Suite 100 Check this booklet for additional details! 203-805-6789 For questions about federal taxes, contact the Internal STATEWIDE SERVICES Revenue Service (IRS) at: 1-800-829-1040 or visit: www.irs.gov For information on statewide services and programs, visit To order federal tax forms, call: 1-800-829-3676. the ConneCT Web site at: www.state.ct.us

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SERVICES MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services is to administer the tax laws of the State of Connecticut and collect the tax revenues in the most cost effective manner; achieve the highest level of voluntary compliance through accurate, efficient, and courteous customer services; and perform in a manner which instills public confidence in the integrity, and fairness of the state's tax programs.

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