

Form W-4 (2016)

Purpose. Complete Form W-4 so that your employer can withhold the correct federal income tax from your pay. Consider completing a new Form W-4 each year and when your personal or financial situation changes. **Exemption only lines 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7 and sign the form.** If you are exempt, complete only lines 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7 and sign the form to validate it. Your exemption for 2016 expires February 15, 2017. See Pub. 505, Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax.

Note: If another person can claim you as a dependent on his or her tax return, you cannot claim exemption from withholding if your income exceeds \$1,050 and includes more than \$50 of unearned income (for example, interest and dividends).

Exceptions. An employee may be able to claim exemption from withholding even if the employee is a dependent, if the employee:

- is age 65 or older,
- is blind, or
- Will claim adjustments to income; tax credits; or itemized deductions, on his or her tax return.

The exceptions do not apply to supplemental wages greater than \$1,000,000.

Basic instructions. If you are not exempt, complete the **Personal Allowances Worksheet** below. The worksheet on page 2 further adjust your withholding allowances based on itemized deductions, certain credits, adjustments to income, or two-earners/multiple jobs situations.

Complete all worksheets that apply. However, you may claim fewer (or zero) allowances. For regular wages, withholding must be based on allowances you claimed and may not be a flat amount or percentage of wages.

Head of household. Generally, you can claim head of household filing status on your tax return only if you are unmarried and pay more than 50% of the costs of keeping up a home for yourself and your dependent(s) or other qualifying individuals. See Pub. 501, Exemptions, Standard Deduction, and Filing Information, for information.

Tax credits. You can take projected tax credits into account in figuring your allowable number of withholding allowances. Credits for child or dependent care expenses and the child tax credit may be claimed using the **Personal Allowances Worksheet** below. See Pub. 505 for information on converting your other credits into withholding allowances.

Future developments. Information about any future developments affecting Form W-4 (such as legislation enacted after we release it) will be posted at www.irs.gov/w4.

Personal Allowances Worksheet (Keep for your records.)

A Enter "1" for yourself if no one else can claim you as a dependent.

B Enter "1" if:

- You are single and have only one job; or
- You are married, have only one job, and your spouse does not work; or
- Your wages from a second job or your spouse's wages (or the total of both) are \$1,500 or less.

C Enter "1" for your spouse. But, you may choose to enter "-0-" if you are married and have either a working spouse or more than one job. (Entering "-0-" may help you avoid having too little tax withheld.)

D Enter number of dependents (other than your spouse or yourself) you will claim on your tax return.

E Enter "1" if you will file as head of household on your tax return (see conditions under Head of household above).

F Enter "1" if you have at least \$2,000 of child or dependent care expenses for which you plan to claim a credit.

G Child Tax Credit (including additional child tax credit). See Pub. 972, Child Tax Credit, for more information. (Note: Do not include child support payments. See Pub. 503, Child and Dependent Care Expenses, for details.)

G If your total income will be less than \$70,000 (\$100,000 if married), enter "2" for each eligible child; then less "1" if you have two to four eligible children or less "2" if you have five or more eligible children.

H Add lines A through G and enter total here. (Note: This may be different from the number of exemptions you claim on your tax return.)

H If you plan to itemize or claim adjustments to income and want to reduce your withholding, see the Deductions and Adjustments Worksheet on page 2.

H If you are single and have more than one job or are married and you and your spouse both work and the combined earnings from all jobs exceed \$50,000 (\$20,000 if married), see the Two-Earners/Multiple Jobs Worksheet on page 2 to avoid having too little tax withheld.

H If neither of the above situations applies, stop here and enter the number from line H on line 5 of Form W-4 below.

For accuracy, complete all worksheets that apply.

Separate here and give Form W-4 to your employer. Keep the top part for your records.

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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

1 Your first name and middle initial
2 Your social security number

3 Single Married Married, but withheld at higher Single rate.
Note: If married, but legally separated, or spouse is a nonresident alien, check the "Single" box.

4 If your last name differs from that shown on your social security card, check here. You must call 1-800-772-1213 for a replacement card.

5 Total number of allowances you are claiming (from line H above or from the applicable worksheet on page 2)

6 Additional amount, if any, you want withheld from each paycheck

7 Last year I had a right to a refund of all federal income tax withheld because I had no tax liability, and this year I expect a refund of all federal income tax withheld because I expect to have no tax liability.

8 Employer's name and address (Employer: Complete lines 8 and 10 only if sending to the IRS.)
9 Office code (optional)
10 Employer identification number (EIN)

Employee's signature (This form is not valid unless you sign it.)
Date