

TWO-81 Main Info and Prep Use Job Aid

When you start a new return, the first thing to do is to fill out the Main Info worksheet and the Prep Use worksheet in TaxWise (TW). This guide covers each section of these worksheets from top to bottom. Many areas do not apply to volunteer preparers. For those areas that do apply, notes will explain where to find the necessary information.

Most of the information you need for these worksheets will come from the standard IRS Intake Sheet (Form 13614-C). You should carefully review the Intake Sheet with the taxpayer (TP) and make sure that all questions are answered properly and completely BEFORE beginning to prepare the return in TaxWise.

This guide is for the 2011 Tax Year – the TaxWise worksheets and the IRS Intake Form usually change each year.

Main Info

US Main Information Sheet 2011

This return can be filed on Form 1040EZ

Check form you are using: 1040 1040A 1040EZ 1040PR 1040NR 1040NREZ

Check one: Spanish forms on the screen and printed. Spanish forms printed only.

Sal. Your first name Initial Last name Suffix Your SSN

Ignore this area

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This is optional

Note: You will need to close the return and re-open it if for a change in on screen language to take effect.

Note: Not all federal forms are available on screen in Spanish

Note: New Jersey forms are not available in Spanish

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Check one: Spanish forms on the screen and printed. Spanish forms printed only.

Sal.	Your first name	Initial	Last name	Suffix	Your SSN
					002-62-7611

If filing a **JOINT** return, enter your spouse's

Sal.	First name	Initial	Last name, if different from yours	Spouse's SSN

Mailing address

Name line 2. Use % for care of _____

Present home address _____

Zip code, city, and state _____, _____

Email address _____

From Intake Sheet Part I, lines 1 & 2 (except SSNs)

Note: TP SSN entered when return created; Spouse SSN must be entered here

Note: Do NOT enter spouse last name if same as TP

Note: Always double check names against Social Security card (and/or SSA-1099 if applicable)

– e-filed returns will be rejected by IRS if SSN and name are not exact match!

Mailing address

Name line 2. Use % for care of _____

Present home address _____

Zip code, city, and state _____, _____

Email address _____

Only use this box in special circumstances

Note: See context sensitive help for details

Mailing address

Name line 2. Use % for care of _____

Present home address _____

Zip code, city, and state _____, _____

Email address _____

Telephone numbers	Taxpayer	Spouse
Daytime		
Evening		
Cell phone or fax		
Foreign phone		

From Intake Sheet Part I, line 3

Note: This address will be used by the IRS for all future correspondence with the TP

Note: This address does not need to match the address on other TP documents

Note: Enter zip code first – city and state will be filled in automatically

You may correct city manually if automatic value is incorrect

Note: If foreign address, then leave blank and use Foreign Address area below

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Present home address		
Zip code, city, and state		
Email address		
Telephone numbers	Taxpayer	Spouse

From Intake Sheet Part I, line 4

Note: Don't forget Email address (can be helpful in case need to contact TP to resolve reject)
Note: Email addresses are not case sensitive (it is ok to enter in all upper case)

Email address		
Telephone numbers	Taxpayer	Spouse
Daytime		
Evening		
Cell phone		
Foreign phone		
Birth date		

From Intake Sheet Part I, line 4

Note: Must have at least one telephone number (in case need to contact TP to resolve a rejected return)
Note: Don't be afraid to ask for additional telephone numbers

Evening		
Cell phone		
Foreign phone		
Birth date		
Age for Federal tax purposes	0	0
Taxpayer's occupation		

From Intake Sheet Part I, lines 5 & 9

Note: Enter 2-digit month, 2-digit day, and 4 digit year with no dashes, slashes or other punctuation
Note: **Age for Federal tax purposes** will be calculated automatically

Birth date		
Age for Federal tax purposes	0	0
Taxpayer's occupation		
Spouse's occupation		
Foreign Address		

From Intake Sheet Part I, lines 6 & 10

Note: Required, but anything accepted (e.g. RETIRED, STUDENT, HOMEMAKER, HOUSEWIFE, UNEMPLOYED, etc. all ok)

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Taxpayer's occupation _____
Spouse's occupation _____

Foreign Address
Foreign street address _____
Foreign city _____
Foreign province / state _____
Foreign Zip code _____
Combined foreign city / province / Zip _____
Foreign country. Do not abbreviate _____
Foreign country code _____

Taxpayer Information

See notes for Address above

Foreign country. Do not abbreviate _____

Taxpayer Information

Special processing _____

Are you excluding Puerto Rico income from this tax return? Yes No
If "Yes", enter the amount of income excluded _____

Check if blind Yes No

Taxpayer Yes No
Spouse Yes No

Ignore these questions – Out of Scope

Are you excluding Puerto Rico income from this tax return? Yes No
If "Yes", enter the amount of income excluded _____

Check if blind Yes No

Check if totally and permanently disabled Yes No

Date of death, ONLY if in 2011 or 2012 _____

This tax return is being filed by the surviving spouse or someone else

Taxpayer Yes No
Spouse Yes No

From Intake Sheet Part I, lines 7, 8, 11, and 12

Check if blind Yes No

Check if totally and permanently disabled Yes No

Date of death, ONLY if in 2011 or 2012 _____

This tax return is being filed by the surviving spouse or someone else.

Presidential _____ Check here if you, or your spouse if a joint return

Only use this area in special circumstances

Note: See context sensitive help for details

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This tax return is being filed by the surviving spouse or someone else.

Presidential Election Campaign	Check here if you, or your spouse if a joint return, want \$3 to go to this fund <input type="checkbox"/> You <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse
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Filing Status and Exemptions

From Intake Sheet bottom of page 2

Note: TP and Spouse can answer differently
 Note: You might as well ask about NJ gubernatorial election campaign at same time
 Note: Answer does NOT change refund or amount owed.

Filing Status and Exemptions

1 <input type="radio"/> Single	
2 <input type="radio"/> Married filing jointly (even if only one had income)	
3 <input type="radio"/> Married filing separately Spouse's first name: _____ Last name: _____ SSN: _____ Did your spouse ever live with you in 2011? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If "Yes", did you and your spouse live together at anytime after June 30, 2011? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No Married filing separately, only. If the state in the address above is a community property state (AZ, CA, ID, LA, NV, NM, TX, WA, or WI), or a return is being filed to one of these states, answer the following questions. Military. Is this your home of record? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If "Yes", fill in the Community Property Allocation Worksheet. Others. Are you a resident of this community property state? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If "Yes", fill in the Community Property Allocation Worksheet and use Form 1040. If "No", you CANNOT e-file this return.	
4 <input type="radio"/> Head of household (with qualifying person). If the qualifying person is a child but not your dependent, enter the child's name _____ and social security number _____. A self-supporting child who lives with you IS NOT a qualifying person.	
5 <input type="radio"/> Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child Year spouse died (2009 or 2010 only): _____	
6 Exemptions	a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yourself b <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse Number of boxes checked

Use Intake Sheet Part II and your Reference Documents to determine correct answer!

Note: Filing status can be tricky – do not hesitate to use resource materials
 Note: Correct filing status is given in Notes for Familiarization problems
 Note: Some filing status choices will require addition information
 Note: If filing status is married filing separately, go handle box 39b on federal 1040 Pg2 now
 Note: If filing status is head of household and TP has dependent, ignore red boxes here for now – filling in dependent information will resolve redness

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5 Qualifying widow(er) with dependent child Year spouse died (2008 or 2009 only): _____

6 Exemptions a Yourself b Spouse Number of boxes checked on 6a and 6b. 1

Check if

(a) you can be claimed on another person's return

(b) filing status 2 and spouse can be claimed on another person's return

Filled in Automatically

6 Exemptions a Yourself b Spouse Number of boxes checked on 6a and 6b. 1

Check if

(a) you can be claimed on another person's return

(b) filing status 2 and spouse can be claimed on another person's return

(c) you are using filing status 4 and claiming nonresident alien spouse

Spouse's first name: _____ Spouse's last name: _____

Spouse's SSN or ITIN: _____

c Dependents/Nondependents

From Intake Sheet Part I, line 13

Note: The question is not whether TP was actually claimed on another return, but whether TP could be claimed on another return.

6 Exemptions a Yourself b Spouse Number of boxes checked on 6a and 6b. 1

Check if

(a) you can be claimed on another person's return

(b) filing status 2 and spouse can be claimed on another person's return

(c) you are using filing status 4 and claiming nonresident alien spouse

Spouse's first name: _____ Spouse's last name: _____

Spouse's SSN or ITIN: _____

c Dependents/Nondependents

If applicable, you will need to ask these questions directly

Spouse's SSN or ITIN: _____

c Dependents/Nondependents

Check here to charge a flat fee for dependents instead of a fee per dependent

Date	Social	Relationship	Mo	C	F	C

Ignore this question – not applicable

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c Dependents/Nondependents
 Check here to charge a flat fee for dependents instead of a fee per dependent

First name	Last name	Date of birth	Age	Social security number	Relationship to YOU	Mo in Hm	C o d e	D C	E I C	C
			0					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			0					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			0					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			0					<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Totals from						Above	Statement			

From Intake Sheet Part II, line 2

Note: **Last name** not required if same as primary TP (Check whole name on SS card very carefully!)

Note: Same entry rules as above for **Date of birth** (**Age** is calculated automatically)

Note: **Social security number** – do not enter dashes

Note: **Relationship to YOU, Mo in Hm, Code** – Select from list

Note: Check **DC** box if Dependent Care credit for this child (See Part IV, line 9 of Intake Sheet)

Note: Check **EIC** box if child may qualify TP for Earned Income Credit

Note: **CTC** checked automatically if child qualifies for Child Tax Credit

Best Practice: Enter in order from youngest to oldest

Note: Use special TWO worksheet if more than four entries (be sure EIC eligible dependents are listed first)

Totals from	Above	Statement	
Number of your children who lived with you	0	0	Box 6c1 0
Number of your children who didn't live with you due to divorce or separation	0	0	Box 6c2 0
Number of other dependents	0	0	Box 6c3 0

Noncustodial Parents. If you are claiming, as a dependent, a child who does not live with you, you **MUST** attach to the tax return, or Form 8453 if e-filing, a written

Calculated automatically

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Number of other dependents 0 0 Box 6c3 0

Noncustodial Parents. If you are claiming, as a dependent, a child who does not live with you, you MUST attach to the tax return, or Form 8453 if e-filing, a written document that substantiates your right to claim this dependent.
Check the item you are attaching.

A copy of a pre-1985 divorce or separation agreement or
A copy of a divorce or separation agreement that went into effect after 1984 and before 2009 or
Form 8332 - Release of Claim of Exemption - required if divorce or separation agreement went into effect after 2008

Total number of exemptions claimed Box 6d 1

This is tricky – ask for help

agreement went into effect after 2008

Total number of exemptions claimed Box 6d 1

State Information If you are not preparing a state return, check here or fill in state information below

Calculated automatically

Total number of exemptions claimed Box 6d 1

State Information If you are not preparing a state return, check here or fill in state information below
Full year resident: NJ and Part-year: and Nonresident:

Type of Return Bank products E-file ONLY Paper

Default: NJ Full-year resident with only NJ income

Note: NJ should be filled in automatically (from your Template)
Note: To only prepare a federal return, check the box on the first line and remove NJ from the field on the second line
Note: Multi-state, Part-year resident, and non-resident are Out of Scope unless you have been trained in these situations

Full year resident: NJ and Part-year: and Nonresident:

Type of Return Bank products E-file ONLY Paper

Select Your Bank Republic Santa Barbara Refund Advantage

Ask for help before changing this

Note: **E-file ONLY** should be filled in automatically (from your Template)
Note: Check with Site Coordinator / ERO before selecting **Paper** (**Bank products** is OOS)

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Type of Return	<input type="checkbox"/> Bank products	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E-file ONLY	<input type="checkbox"/> Paper
Select Your Bank	<input type="checkbox"/> Republic <input type="checkbox"/> River City <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> SBTPG <input type="checkbox"/> 3Fund	<input type="checkbox"/> Refund Advantage <input type="checkbox"/> Advent Financial
MoneyWise Prepaid MasterCard MoneyWise is available for e-filed returns requesting a refund, and can be used in conjunction with bank products and Fee Collect. Do not enter bank account information below. MoneyWise is not available for taxpayers with a Connecticut, New Hampshire, or Vermont address.			
Would the taxpayer like to receive their refund on the MoneyWise card?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Fee Collect and Audit Shield are only available to tax preparers registered to offer them.			
Fee Collect Does the taxpayer want to have your tax preparation fees deducted from his or her refund?			
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Audit Shield Does the taxpayer want Audit Shield?			
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Bank Account Information			

Ignore – Out of Scope

Audit Shield Does the taxpayer want Audit Shield?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Bank Account Information Direct deposit is available for e-filed returns, paper returns, and bank product returns. ACH debit is available for e-filed returns only.		
Routing transit number (RTN) of financial institution		_____
Account number (DAN) including hyphens		_____
Versicom Toll-Free Tax Infoline PLUS (TFTI+)		

Only needed if TP wants Direct Deposit or ACH Debit

Note: See Intake Sheet Page 3 "**If you are due a refund or have a balance due:**"

Note: Usually best to wait until return is finished and Refund / Amount owed is known

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Account number (DAN) including nyprens

Versicom Toll-Free Tax Infoline PLUS (TFTI+)
TFTI+ is a toll-free service that taxpayers can call to find out the status of their return and refund. This service is only available to tax preparers registered to offer it. If you have not registered and would like to offer this service, please contact your account representative.

Does the taxpayer want to access their return status using TFTI+ ? Yes No

Access by the toll-free phone number is automatically included, but the taxpayer can also receive status updates by text message and / or e-mail. Check the appropriate box(es) below to select these options.

Email - Enter an email address above. Check here to receive emails in Spanish

Text message - Enter a phone number in the taxpayer's cell phone field above. Check here to receive text messages in Spanish

Self-Select and Practitioner PIN(s)

Ignore – Out of Scope

Text message - Enter a phone number in the taxpayer's cell phone field above. Check here to receive text messages in Spanish

Self-Select and Practitioner PIN(s)

ERO PIN for both the Self-Select and Practitioner PIN programs

Check if using the Practitioner PIN method for e-filing this income tax return or Form 4868 with direct debit

What form(s) are you e-filing using PINs?

The income tax return

Form 4868 without direct debit. No PINs required

Form 4868 with direct debit

* Form 2350 without direct debit

* Form 2350 with direct debit

* Requires date(s) of birth above and 2010 original AGI or 2010 PIN. F8 to change spouse AGI, if incorrect.

Taxpayer's original 2010 AGI: Spouse's original 2010 AGI:

OR taxpayer's 2010 PIN: OR spouse's 2010 PIN:

The following attachments require the submission of Form 8453. Please note that PINs are still required and that Form 8879 must be signed for all e-filed returns.

This should be filled in (from Template) – Do NOT change!

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OR taxpayer's 2010 PIN: OR spouse's 2010 PIN:

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<input type="checkbox"/> Form(s) 1098C or contemporaneous written statement	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 3115
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 3468 attachment required	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 4136 attachment required
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 5713	<input type="checkbox"/> Forms(s) 8283, page 2 and / or appraisal
<input type="checkbox"/> Form(s) 8332	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 8858
<input type="checkbox"/> Form 8864 attachment required	<input type="checkbox"/> Form 8885 attachments
<input type="checkbox"/> Schedule D transaction listing or Form 8949 used in a legacy return	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of divorce or separation agreement
<input type="checkbox"/> Revenue Procedure 2009-20 (Ponzi loss)	

The information below, as well as the ERO PIN above, must be filled in for all e-filed returns.

This stuff is Out of Scope

Revenue Procedure 2009-20 (Ponzi loss) Copy of divorce or separation agreement

The information below, as well as the ERO PIN above, must be filled in for all e-filed returns.

The date must be entered below. This is today's date:

Do NOT use @Today.
Date:

Taxpayer's PIN Enter 5 numbers, other than all zeroes.

I authorize do not authorize

ERO firm name to enter this PIN as my signature on my tax year 2011 electronically filed income tax return.

Spouse's PIN Enter 5 numbers, other than all zeroes.

I authorize do not authorize

ERO firm name to enter this PIN as my signature on my tax year 2011 electronically filed income tax return.

Identity Protection PIN

Fill in any 5 digits for TP (and SP) PIN and fill in today's date

Note: We use the Practitioner PIN method (should be setup as part of Template)

Note: Will also need 5 digit PIN for Spouse (but date is automatic)

Note: Neither you nor TP will ever need to remember PINs – make up anything

signature on my tax year 2011 electronically filed income tax return.

Identity Protection PIN

If the taxpayer is an identity theft victim who has been validated by the IRS and has received a CP01A letter that contains an Identify Protection PIN, enter that PIN here - do not enter leading zeroes

Third Party Designee

Very rare – ask for help

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enter leading zeroes _____ 0

Third Party Designee
Do you want to allow another person to discuss this return with the IRS? Yes No

Designee's name _____ Designee's telephone _____ Designee's PIN (cannot be 00000) _____ 0

Preparer Information Check to bill as a self-prepared return:

Out of Scope

Note: **No** should be checked (from Template)

Preparer Information Check to bill as a self-prepared return:

Preparer's ID: _____ Date: _____
Preparer's name: _____ Print as signature:
Preparer's SSN: _____ PTIN: S. 24051400 EIN: _____
Firm name: _____ Check if also ERO:
Address: _____ Check if self-employed:
Zip code: _____ Phone: _____
Email address: _____ Fax: _____
Non-paid indicator: _____ IRS only:

Time in this return: _____ minutes Tax bracket: 10 Price: 0.00

Do NOT enter anything in this area

Note: All appropriate information should be setup (from Template)

Non-paid indicator: _____ IRS only:

Time in this return: _____ minutes Tax bracket: 10 Price: 0.00

The Preparer's Use Fields have moved to the Preparer Use form. Search for "Use" on Find a Form.

Ignore this area

Information below is for the preparer. It will print and proforma. Notes to the client should be listed on the Summary Sheet.

Use based on Site instructions

