

▶ See instructions below and on back.

**1995**

Attachment  
Sequence No. **06**

▶ Attach to Form 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, 1040NR, or 1040NR-EZ.

Please use ALL CAPITAL LETTERS in the spaces provided.

Your first name and initial (as shown on your tax return) Last name Your social security number

Grid boxes for name and social security number input.

1 Name of the financial institution

Grid box for financial institution name input.

2 Routing transit number (RTN)

Grid box for routing transit number input.

The first two numbers of the RTN must be 01 through 12 or 21 through 32.

3 Depositor account number (DAN)

Grid box for depositor account number input.

4 Type of account

Checking

Savings

5 Ownership of account

Self

Spouse

Self and spouse

**Purpose of Form**

Use Form 8888 to request that we deposit your tax refund into your account at a financial institution instead of sending you a check.

**Why Use Direct Deposit?**

- Takes less time than issuing a check.
- Is more secure—there's no check to get lost.
- Saves tax dollars. Making a direct deposit costs less than issuing a check.

**Requesting Direct Deposit**

Requesting direct deposit is easy. Just fill in the few lines above and attach the form to your tax return. If you have other forms or schedules to attach to your return, be sure to attach Form 8888 directly behind Form 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, 1040NR, or 1040NR-EZ.

**How To Fill In Form 8888**



You can check with your financial institution—

1. To make sure the financial institution will accept direct deposits.

2. To get the correct routing transit number (RTN) and depositor account number (DAN).

Line 1.—Fill in the name of your financial institution.

Line 2.—The routing transit number (RTN) must be nine digits. If it does not begin with 01 through 12 or 21 through 32, the direct deposit will be rejected and a check sent. See the sample check below for an example of where the RTN may be shown.

For accounts payable through a financial institution other than the one at which the account is located, check with your financial institution for the correct

RTN. Do not use a deposit slip to verify the RTN.

Line 3.—The depositor account number (DAN) can be up to 17 characters (both numbers and letters). Include hyphens but omit spaces and special symbols. Enter the number from left to right and leave any unused boxes blank. See the sample check below for an example of where the DAN may be shown.

Line 5.—The account designated to receive the direct deposit must be in your name. If you are married filing jointly, the account can be in either name or both your names. If you are married filing separately, the account can be in your name or in both your name and your spouse's name.

Caution: The account cannot include the name of any other person except as noted above.

Some financial institutions will not allow a joint refund to be deposited into an individual account. Check with your financial institution.



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Sample check form showing payee (PAUL MAPLE, LILIAN MAPLE), address (123 Main Street, Anyplace, NY 10000), routing transit number (RTN: 250000005), depositor account number (DAN: 200000186), and amount (1234). Includes a 'SAMPLE' watermark.

Note: The RTN and DAN may appear in different places on your check.

## Who Should Not File Form 8888

You should not file Form 8888 if any of the following apply:

- You file electronically. Instead, you can request direct deposit on **Form 8453**, U.S. Individual Income Tax Declaration for Electronic Filing (or on Form 8453-OL or 8453-NR).
- You file Form 1040PC. You can elect direct deposit as part of your Form 1040PC tax return.
- You file a tax return other than Form 1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, 1040NR, or 1040NR-EZ. Only individuals filing one of these forms can use Form 8888.
- You are filing a tax return for a prior year. Form 8888 can only be used for current year (1995) returns.
- You are filing a return for a taxpayer who died, or filing a joint return as a surviving spouse.

## What Happens if There Is a Problem With My Direct Deposit Request?

If we are unable to honor your request for a direct deposit, we will send you a check instead. Some reasons for not honoring a request include:

- The name(s) on your tax return does not match the name(s) on the account. See the instructions for line 5.
- You have requested that the IRS figure your tax for you instead of figuring it yourself.
- The refund amount you claimed differs from the refund to which you are entitled by more than \$50.
- The financial institution rejects the direct deposit because of an incorrect DAN.
- You enter an incorrect RTN or DAN, or do not check the correct box for line 4 or 5.
- You asked to have your refund directly deposited into a foreign bank or a foreign branch of a U.S. bank. The IRS can only make direct deposits to accounts in U.S. financial institutions located in the United States.

## Checking on Your Refund

Automated refund information is available on Tele-Tax. See your instruction booklet for Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040EZ for the telephone number to use. You can also contact your financial institution to find out if the direct deposit has been received.

## Paperwork Reduction Act Notice

We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. We need it to ensure that you are complying with these laws and to allow us to figure and collect the right amount of tax. If you want your refund directly deposited, you must give us the information requested.

The time needed to complete and file this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average time is: **Learning about the law or the form**, 3 min.; **Preparing the form**, 8 min.; and **Copying, assembling, and sending the form to the IRS**, 10 min.

If you have comments concerning the accuracy of this time estimate or suggestions for making this form simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. See the instructions for the tax return with which this form is filed.

