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Electronic Filing (eFile) is the most popular method of filing taxes, developed by the IRS nearly four decades ago in 1986. Over One Hundred Million personal income taxes are filed this way each year.

Electronic Filing involves formatting the data required on a tax return into an electronic format and then transmitting it to the IRS and certain states via a secure, encrypted Internet connection.

Beginning with the 2011 Tax Filing season, the IRS adopted Modernized eFile (MeF) as the filing method of choice for personal income tax eFilings and our website currently uses this filing method.

If you eFile your taxes using our system, the IRS and/or state tax authority will acknowledge its receipt and indicate if your return was accepted or rejected. Whatever the result, you will be notified immediately via email, with more detail on the steps to take contained within the account you create with our system.

Online eFiling consists primarily of four parts:

1. Construction of the return based on the information you provide
2. Formatting of the electronic file (eFile) and the printable (.pdf) file for the user to download
3. eFiling (transmitting) your tax eFile
4. Filing the paper portion: If you are required to submit certain paper documents, the Form 8453 may be used to transmit and summarize these documents, all of which will be specified in your log