

Dos and Don'ts Tips to Preparing Your Taxes

Please note: Documents will NOT be returned at the end of the season. Kindly email or upload all tax documents to the portal.

- ☑ Do submit <u>all</u> information needed to complete your tax return by <u>SecureFile Pro portal</u>, email, mail-in, fax, or drop-off at the same time. Omission of pertinent information may cause delays in processing or an incomplete tax filing. It may also result in refund delay and/or IRS or state audit. Please see our website at http://www.EdONeillTaxes.com for a checklist of required documents and sample documents.
- ☑ Do provide a valid, current, clear and legible copy of <u>State Issued Identification</u> (such as a state issued driver's license-both *front and back*) for Taxpayer and Spouse (if applicable). Driver's license is <u>required every year</u>.
- **Don't** fax your state issued identification as the poor quality makes it illegible to process.
- Don't send originals; Keep them for your records. Clear photocopies are acceptable. Documents will NOT be returned.
- ☑ Do submit Form 1098T, tuition bills or a transcript from the Bursar's Office to qualify for the college tuition credit.
- ☑ Do submit a voided check, *required each year*, in order for you to receive a refund directly deposited in a specified account.
- ☑ Do complete the pertinent documents in this newsletter and submit them with all your tax documents. We must receive the <u>signed Letter of Engagement</u> and <u>completed Client Information form</u> in order for us to prepare your tax return or visit our website at <u>www.edoneilltaxes.com</u> to download the required documents.
- ☑ Do advise us of any change of address, any change in marital status (Single, Newlywed, Separation, Widow or Divorce.) any change of dependents (New Baby or a Child claiming themselves). If you had a baby in 2022, Congratulations! Please submit the child's name, social security number and date of birth.
- Don't cut documents. This will only delay the process.
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- Don't submit receipts. Keep all receipts for your records.
- ☑ Do submit a grand total of your expenses.
- ☑ Do feel free to provide clear and legible *copies*. Originals are not necessary.
- ☑ Do clear your voicemail box so that we may leave a message, if necessary.
- ☑ Do scan to one .PDF, if possible, when submitting documents via email or portal.
- ☑ Do feel free to visit our website. It provides a wealth of information.

We appreciate your cooperation and assistance. Thank you.

Many happy returns,



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