

Important Tax Dates 2026

January

- January 15 – Fourth-quarter estimated tax payment due for the previous year (Form 1040-ES).
- January 31 – Deadline for employers to send W-2 forms to employees and file them with the Social Security Administration.
- January 31 – Deadline for businesses to send 1099 forms to contractors and the IRS.

February

- February 15 – Deadline for employees to update Form W-4 to claim exemption from withholding for the current year.
- February 28 – Deadline for paper filing of most 1099 and 1096 forms with the IRS.

March

- March 15 – Deadline for S corporations (Form 1120-S) and partnerships (Form 1065) to file tax returns or request an extension.
- March 15 – Deadline for S corporations to provide Schedule K-1s to shareholders.

April

- April 15 – Individual income tax returns (Form 1040) due.
- April 15 – First-quarter estimated tax payment due (Form 1040-ES).
- April 15 – Deadline to file for an automatic six-month extension (Form 4868).
- April 15 – Deadline for C corporations (Form 1120) to file tax returns or request an extension.
- April 15 – Deadline to make IRA and HSA contributions for the previous year.

May

- May 15 – Deadline for nonprofit organizations (Form 990) to file annual returns or request an extension.

June

- June 17 – Second-quarter estimated tax payment due (Form 1040-ES).
- June 17 – Deadline for U.S. citizens living abroad to file individual tax returns or request an extension.

September

- September 16 – Third-quarter estimated tax payment due (Form 1040-ES).
- September 16 – Extended deadline for S corporations and partnerships to file tax returns (if extension was filed).

October

- October 15 – Extended deadline for individual income tax returns (Form 1040).
- October 15 – Extended deadline for C corporations to file tax returns (Form 1120).
- October 15 – Deadline to fund a SEP IRA for the previous year (if extension was filed).

November

- November 15 – Extended deadline for nonprofit organizations (Form 990) to file annual returns.

December

- December 31 – Last day to make tax-deductible charitable contributions for the year.
- December 31 – Last day to complete required minimum distributions (RMDs) from retirement accounts.
- December 31 – Last day to adjust withholding or make additional estimated tax payments to avoid penalties.