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## IRS Tax Tip: Offer In Compromise

There are options available to taxpayers if they can't pay their tax debt in full or if doing so would cause financial hardship. One of them is called an **Offer in compromise**. Factors such as income, expenses, asset equity and ability to pay are considered when a taxpayer applies for this option.

### What's an offer in compromise

This is an agreement between a taxpayer and the IRS that settles a tax debt for less than the full amount owed.

The goal is a compromise that's in the best interest of both the taxpayer and the IRS. The OIC application requires a fee of \$205 and an initial payment. Qualifying low-income taxpayers don't have to pay either the fee or the initial payment. Taxpayers should review the instructions for **Form 656-B, Offer in Compromise**, to see if they meet the qualifications to have these initial costs waived.

### Who's eligible

Taxpayers can use the **Offer in Compromise Pre-Qualifier Tool** to check their eligibility to file an OIC and prepare a preliminary proposal. Individual taxpayers can make OIC payments online through their Individual Online Account. Eligible taxpayers who use **Business Tax Account** can now make their OIC payments through BTA. However, they can't apply or submit an offer through BTA.

### Review the Offer in Compromise Booklet

Eligible taxpayers should download and review the latest version of the OIC Booklet to avoid processing delays. This booklet covers everything a taxpayer needs to know about submitting an OIC including:

- Eligibility
- Costs to apply
- Application process
- Forms

### Beware of "OIC mills"

"OIC mills" are aggressive or misleading marketing schemes that often overpromise results and charge high fees to taxpayers who don't qualify for an OIC. They're also on the 2026 IRS Dirty Dozen List. Taxpayers can check OIC eligibility using free IRS tools to avoid high-pressure sales tactics. For assistance filing an OIC from a legitimate representative, taxpayers are encouraged to check for a licensed enrolled agent or a reputable accountant in their area.

Our office will be closed on Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, in observance of the Juneteenth Federal Holiday.



UpCycling Day – June 24

Upcycling was coined in 1994 by two German engineers, William McDonough and Michael Braungart, to describe the remodification and re-engineering of old items so that they can be reused and thus given a second life. The idea of recycling was already in place, with scrap metal, glass, and paper being recycled. What makes upcycling and recycling so different? So, let us explain the distinction.

Recycling is the process of destroying waste and repurposing it to make something new from it, e.g. scrap metal is melted, processed, and then used to make a new item. Upcycling is unique in that it uses waste in its current state to create something new, such as a flower vase made from an empty wine bottle. The benefit of upcycling is that you can give a raw material a second life without spending a lot of money on recycling, and you can also meet a current need with what you make.

How to Get Involved

- 1. Make a list of reusable scraps

Grab a clipboard and make a list of everything that is getting old, no longer being used, or is simply becoming scrap. Also, make a list of what you need at home and see if the scrap at your disposal can be used to make something you need.

- 2. Begin upcycling

Look for new ideas on the internet. Even if you don't need the scrap, it can be used to make some fancy homemade decoration pieces. *Brightside* and *Five Minute Craft* have some of the best ideas for using scrap and making something useful out of it.

- 3. Make a video of it

Whatever you make and how you make it, remember to record it and share it on social media. Don't forget to use the hashtag #upcyclingday.

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**\*\*Limited Time Only – May 30 and June 27\*\***

The Internal Revenue Service announced it will offer Saturday hours at select Taxpayer Assistance Centers on May 30.

TACs will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. to provide in-person assistance on a range of tax issues.

During this one-day event, TACs in multiple states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico will offer many of their regular services. The IRS encourages taxpayers to visit [IRS.gov/SaturdayHours](http://IRS.gov/SaturdayHours) ahead of time to confirm participating locations and available services before heading to an office.

TACs will offer most of their typical services during these hours. However, they will not accept cash payments. The IRS plans to continue offering these Saturday service opportunities through June.





## Hazelnut Bread

### Ingredients

- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 cup finely ground hazelnuts
- ¾ cup granulated sugar
- 1 cup buttermilk
- ½ cup melted unsalted butter
- 2 large farm-fresh eggs
- 2 tsp baking powder
- 1 tsp pure vanilla extract
- ½ tsp kosher salt

### Instructions

1. Preheat your oven to 350°F and generously grease a 9x5-inch loaf pan.
2. Whisk together the all-purpose flour, finely ground hazelnuts, granulated sugar, baking powder, and kosher salt in a large bowl.
3. In a separate bowl, beat the farm-fresh eggs until frothy, about 1 minute.
4. Pour in the buttermilk, melted unsalted butter, and pure vanilla extract, then whisk until fully combined.
5. Fold the wet ingredients into the dry mixture using a spatula—mix just until no flour streaks remain to avoid a tough loaf.
6. Scrape the batter into the prepared loaf pan and smooth the top with your spatula.
7. Bake for 50–55 minutes, or until a toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean with no wet batter.
8. Let the bread cool in the pan for 15 minutes to set the structure before turning it out.
9. Transfer the loaf to a wire rack to cool completely, about 1 hour, for easier slicing.
10. Slice with a serrated knife to preserve the tender crumb and toasted hazelnut bits.

<https://simplyfamilyrecipes.com/easy-hazelnut-recipes/>

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JUN 1

National Hazelnut Cake Day

JUN 3

World Bicycle Day



JUN 6

National Black Bear Day

JUN 8

National Best Friends Day

JUN 12

National Jerky Day

JUN 17

Nat'l Apple Strudel Day

JUN 19

National Watch Day

JUN 21

National Arizona Day



JUN 22

World Rainforest Day

JUN 24

Upcycling Day

JUN 27

National Bingo Day

JUN 30

National Corvette Day

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