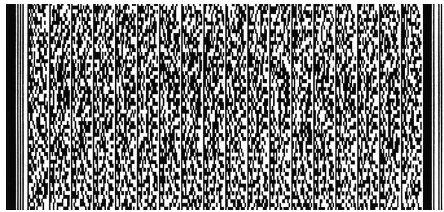


2-D barcode filing for Oregon



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Sample 2-D barcode

2-D barcode filing is an alternative way to file a paper Oregon return.

What is a 2-D barcode?

A two-dimensional (2-D) barcode is similar to the one you have on the back of your Oregon driver's license. The 2-D barcode on your tax return is a "picture" of the information on your return. This is printed on the front page of your return.

Why should I use a 2-D barcode?

A machine reads the information in the barcode so it doesn't have to be manually entered into our computer system. This helps us process your return more quickly and cost-effectively.

How do I use 2-D on my tax return?

You can file your Form 40S or Form 40 with 2-D by using a tax preparer or an Oregon-approved tax software package that offers 2-D barcode.

2-D barcode for Form 40N and Form 40P is not available at this time.

How does 2-D work on my corporate tax return?

You can file your Form 20-S, 20, or 20-I by using a tax preparer or an Oregon-approved tax software package that offers 2-D barcode.

2-D barcode is not available for any other type of Oregon corporate return at this time.

How do I read my 2-D barcode?

The barcode is only machine-readable. It contains the information displayed on the lines of your tax return. The barcode also contains additional information

from the following forms and schedules: Form W2, Form 37, Form 10, the Oregon amended schedule, and Schedule AP.

If you are filing Form 40, the barcode also contains information from your federal return needed to process your Oregon return.

When is my 2-D barcode return due?

The due date for 2-D barcode returns is the same as for other types of returns.

What do I need to send to the Oregon Department of Revenue?

- Attach a copy of your federal return to your 2-D barcode return just as you would to a regular Oregon return.
- Attach Form 40-V, *Oregon Income Tax Payment Voucher*, and your payment to the front of your return if you have tax to pay. **Exception:** Do not attach Form 40-V if you pay with a credit card.
- Attach any Oregon forms and schedules required to be attached to a traditional Oregon return.

Where do I send my 2-D barcode return?

Personal income tax returns. The addresses for mailing your 2-D barcode personal income tax returns are different from the addresses for traditional returns.

- Mail 2-D barcode refund returns or no-tax-due returns to:
REFUND
PO Box 14710
Salem OR 97309-0460
- Mail 2-D barcode tax-to-pay returns to:
Oregon Department of Revenue
PO Box 14720
Salem OR 97309-0463

Corporate tax returns. The addresses for mailing your 2-D barcode corporate tax returns are the same as the addresses for traditional returns.

- Mail 2-D barcode refund returns or no-tax-due returns to:

REFUND
 PO Box 14777
 Salem OR 97309-0960

- Mail 2-D barcode tax-to-pay returns to:

Oregon Department of Revenue
 PO Box 14790
 Salem OR 97309-0470

Will my 2-D barcode return be reviewed?

Any return, no matter how it is filed, may be reviewed by the department. However, the 2-D barcode tax software helps check your return for errors before you send it to the department. 2-D barcode filing is usually more accurate, so there is less chance your return will be reviewed or adjusted in processing.

How do I fix a mistake on my 2-D barcode return?

If you have not mailed your return, you must re-print the entire return after you make any changes. All of your return information is in the 2-D barcode on the first page. It is very important to reprint both the first and second pages of your corrected return. This will help avoid unnecessary processing delays.

If you have already printed and mailed your return, you will need to file an amended return.

I need help with my software. Can the Oregon Department of Revenue help me?

No. For specific software questions, contact your software company. We are not technical experts on 2-D barcode software and cannot provide product assistance.

However, the department does conduct 2-D barcode software testing each year. The testing ensures the tax software correctly prints the barcode so our equipment can read it.

Our staff is only available to assist you with general tax questions.

Copy of return for client

If you are a paid tax preparer or a software vendor, the copy of the return you provide to your client must be an exact copy of the tax return you submit to the department.

Taxpayer assistance

General tax information www.oregon.gov/DOR
 Salem 503-378-4988
 Toll-free from an Oregon prefix 1-800-356-4222

Asistencia en español:
 Salem 503-378-4988
 Gratis de prefijo de Oregon..... 1-800-356-4222

TTY (hearing or speech impaired; machine only):
 Salem 503-945-8617
 Toll-free from an Oregon prefix 1-800-886-7204

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA): Call one of the help numbers for information in alternative formats.