

Canceling IRS payments already submitted in a tax return

Note: IRS instructions for modifying payment methods are the same for individuals and businesses. They do not allow the withdrawal date to be changed. They only cancel payments.

Direct Debit payments

- Taxpayer can call the IRS e-file Payment Services 24/7 at 1-888-353-4537 to inquire about or cancel a scheduled payment.
- Please wait 7 to 10 days after the return was accepted before calling.
- Cancellation requests must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. ET two business days prior to the scheduled payment date.

EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System)

See <https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p4990.pdf>

To cancel a payment, taxpayer will need the following:

- Taxpayer's EIN (for businesses) or SSN (for individuals)
- PIN
- Tax form number
- The last eight digits of the EFT Acknowledgment Number for the payment to cancel (this was the confirmation received when the payment was scheduled).

If you do not have the last eight digits of the EFT Acknowledgment Number, please call EFTPS Customer Service:

- English: 1.800.555.4477
- En español (Spanish): 1.800.244.4829

Online

- Log in and select "Payments."
- Select "Cancel a Payment" and follow the process. Record the Cancellation EFT Acknowledgment Number you receive, and keep for your records

Phone:

- Call the EFTPS Tax Payment toll-free number (available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week): 1.800.555.3453 2 Follow the voice prompts.
- Record the Cancellation EFT Acknowledgment Number received, and keep for your records.

Note: If you wish to cancel a scheduled payment, you must do so by 11:59 p.m. ET **at least two business days before the scheduled date**. For example, a payment scheduled for Monday cannot be canceled after 11:59 p.m. ET the previous Thursday.