

**Changes To Note**

- For tax years beginning in 2001, the estimated tax safe harbor that is based on the tax shown on the prior year tax return is increased to 110% of that amount if the adjusted gross income on that return is more than \$150,000, and less than  $\frac{2}{3}$  of gross income for 2000 or 2001 is from farming or fishing.
- For 2001, gains on assets held more than 5 years are taxed at 8% to the extent the gains would have otherwise been taxed at 10%. Qualified 5-year gain is the total of the estate's or trust's long-term capital gain from property held for more than 5 years. Enter this amount on line 16 of the **2001 Tax Computation Worksheet Using Maximum Capital Gains Rates**. Do not include 28% rate gain property or unrecaptured section 1250 gain. Also, **do not** reduce this amount by any **losses** even if the losses were from property held for more than 5 years.
- A special rule applies when figuring the estate's or trust's research credit for estimated tax purposes. The credit attributable to the second suspension period (defined below) cannot be used to reduce any estimated tax payments due before October 1, 2001. Instead, it is allowed as if it were an installment payment made on October 1, 2001.

For the 2001 tax year, the second suspension period begins January 1 and ends September 30, 2001. The credit attributable to the suspension period generally is figured by multiplying the total research credit for the tax year by the ratio of (a) the number of months in the suspension period that are included in the tax year to (b) the number of months in the tax year. For the 2001 tax year, 75% of the research credit generally is attributable to the second suspension period. See **Form 6765**, Credit for Increasing Research Activities, for more details.

**Purpose of Form**

Use this package to figure and pay estimated tax for an estate or trust. Estimated tax is the amount of tax an estate or trust expects to owe for the year after subtracting the amount of any tax withheld and the amount of any credits.

This package is primarily for first-time filers. After the IRS receives the first payment voucher, the estate or trust will receive a 1041-ES package with the name, address, and employer identification number (EIN) preprinted on the vouchers for the next tax year. Use the preprinted vouchers unless the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS) is used. If you, as fiduciary, did not receive any 2001 preprinted vouchers, use the vouchers in this package. However, do not use the

vouchers to notify the IRS of a change of address. If the fiduciary has moved, complete **Form 8822**, Change of Address, and send it to the service center where you file the estate's or trust's tax return.

**Who Must Make Estimated Tax Payments**

Generally, a fiduciary of an estate or trust must pay estimated tax if the estate or trust is expected to owe, after subtracting its withholding and credits, at least \$1,000 in tax for 2001 and can expect its withholding and credits to be less than the smaller of:

1. 90% of the tax shown on the 2001 tax return or
2. The tax shown on the 2000 tax return (110% of that amount if the estate's or trust's adjusted gross income (AGI) on that return is more than \$150,000, and less than  $\frac{2}{3}$  of gross income for 2000 or 2001 is from farming or fishing). To figure the estate's or trust's AGI, see the instructions for line 15b of **Form 1041**, U.S. Income Tax Return for Estates and Trusts.

However, if a return was not filed for 2000 or that return did not cover a full 12 months, item 2 does not apply.

For this purpose, include household employment taxes when figuring the tax shown on the tax return, but **only** if:

- The estate or trust will have Federal income tax withheld from any income **or**
- The estate or trust would be required to make estimated tax payments (to avoid a penalty) even if it **did not** include household employment taxes when figuring its estimated tax.

**Exceptions.** Estimated tax payments are not required from:

1. An estate of a domestic decedent or a domestic trust that had a full 12-month 2000 tax year and had no tax liability for that year;
2. A decedent's estate for any tax year ending before the date that is 2 years after the decedent's death; or
3. A trust that was treated as owned by the decedent if the trust will receive the residue of the decedent's estate under the will (or if no will is admitted to probate, the trust primarily responsible for paying debts, taxes, and expenses of administration) for any tax year ending before the date that is 2 years after the decedent's death.

**How To Figure Estimated Tax**

Use the **2001 Estimated Tax Worksheet** and **2001 Tax Rate Schedule** on page 3 and the estate's or trust's 2000 tax return and instructions as a guide for figuring the 2001 estimated tax.

If the estate or trust receives its income unevenly throughout the year, it may be able to lower or eliminate the amount of its required estimated tax payment for one or more periods by using the annualized income installment method. See **Pub. 505**, Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax, for details.

**Instructions for 2001  
Estimated Tax Worksheet****Line 4—Exemption**

**Decedent's estate.** A decedent's estate is allowed a \$600 exemption.

**Trust.** A trust that is required by its governing trust instrument to distribute all its income currently is allowed a \$300 exemption, even if it distributes amounts other than income during the tax year. All other trusts are allowed a \$100 exemption.

**Line 10—Credits**

For details on credits you may claim, see the instructions for line 2, Schedule G, Form 1041.

**Line 12—Other Taxes**

Enter any other taxes such as:

- Tax from recapture of investment credit, low-income housing credit, qualified electric vehicle credit, or the Indian employment credit.
- Tax on accumulation distribution of trusts.
- Tax figured under section 641(c) on income attributable to S corporation stock held by an electing small business trust. For details, see the line 7 instructions on page 19 of the 2000 Instructions for Form 1041.

Include household employment taxes on line 12 if:

- The estate or trust will have Federal income tax withheld from any income **or**
- The estate or trust would be required to make estimated tax payments (to avoid a penalty) even if it **did not** include household employment taxes when figuring its estimated tax.

**When To Make Estimated Tax Payments**

**Trusts.** The trust may pay all of its estimated tax by April 16, 2001, or in four equal installments due by the following dates:

1st installment . . . .	April 16, 2001
2nd installment . . . .	June 15, 2001
3rd installment . . . .	Sept. 17, 2001
4th installment . . . .	Jan. 15, 2002

**Note:** *The trust does not have to make the payment due on January 15, 2002, if it files the 2001 Form 1041 by January 31, 2002, and pays the entire balance due with the return.*

**Estates.** If the estate has adopted a calendar year as its tax year, file using the rules listed under **Trusts** above.

If the estate has adopted a fiscal year, it may pay all of its estimated tax by the 15th day of the 4th month of its 2001 tax year or in four equal installments due on the 15th day of the 4th, 6th, and 9th month of the 2001 tax year, and the 1st month of the following tax year.

**Note:** *The estate does not have to make the payment due on the 15th day of the 1st month following the close of the fiscal year if it files the 2001 Form 1041 by the last day of the 1st month following the close of the fiscal year, and pays the entire balance due with the return.*

If any date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the installment is due on the next business day.

If, after March 31, 2001, or after the last day of the 3rd month of the fiscal tax year, the estate or trust has a large enough change in income to require the payment of estimated tax, figure the amount of each installment by using the annualized income installment method, as explained in Pub. 505.

**Farmers and fishermen.** If at least  $\frac{1}{3}$  of gross income for 2000 or 2001 is from farming or fishing, do one of the following:

- Pay the total estimated tax (line 16 of the Worksheet) by January 15, 2002 or
- File Form 1041 for 2001 by March 1, 2002, and pay the total tax due. In this case, do not make estimated tax payments for 2001.

For fiscal year estates, pay the total estimated tax by the 15th day of the 1st month following the close of the tax year, or file Form 1041 by the 1st day of the 3rd month following the close of the tax year and pay the total tax due.

## How To Complete and Use the Payment Vouchers

Each payment voucher has the date when the voucher is due for calendar year estates and trusts. Be sure to use the correct voucher. Complete and send in the voucher **only** if you are making a payment. To complete your voucher:

- Enter the estate's or trust's name and EIN, and the fiduciary's name, title, and address in the spaces provided on the payment voucher.
- Enter on the payment line of the voucher only the amount the estate or trust is sending in. When making payments of estimated tax, be sure to take into account any 2000 overpayment that the estate or trust chose to credit against its 2001 tax, but do not include the overpayment amount on this line.
- Enclose, but do not staple or attach, a check or money order with the payment voucher. Make the check or money order payable to "United States Treasury." Write the estate's or trust's EIN and

"2001 Form 1041-ES" on the check or money order. Do not include any balance due on the Form 1041 with the check for 2001 estimated tax. Fill in the **Record of Estimated Tax Payments** on page 3 for your files.

## Electronic Deposits

A financial institution that maintains a Treasury Tax and Loan (TT&L) account, and administers at least 200 taxable trusts that are required to pay estimated tax, may be required to deposit the estimated tax payments electronically using the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS). The electronic deposit requirement applies in 2001 if:

- The total deposits of depository taxes (such as estimated, employment, or excise tax) in 1999 were more than \$200,000 or
- The fiduciary (on behalf of a trust) was required to use EFTPS in 2000.

If the fiduciary is required to use EFTPS on behalf of a trust and fails to do so, it may be subject to a 10% penalty.

A fiduciary that is not required to make electronic deposits of estimated tax on behalf of a trust may either use the payment vouchers or voluntarily participate in EFTPS. To enroll in or get more information about EFTPS, call 1-800-555-4477 or 1-800-945-8400.

## Where To File

Mail the payment voucher to:

Internal Revenue Service  
P.O. Box 970002  
St. Louis, MO 63197-0002

**Do not send the payment voucher to the Internal Revenue Service Center where you file Form 1041.**

**Note:** *Only the U.S. Postal Service can deliver to the above address.*

## Amending Estimated Tax Payments

To change or amend the estate's or trust's estimated payments, refigure the total estimated payments due (line 16 of the worksheet on page 3). Then use the worksheets under **Amended estimated tax** in Pub. 505 to figure the payment due for each remaining period. If an estimated tax payment for a previous period is less than  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the amended estimated tax, the estate or trust may owe a penalty when its return is filed.

## When a Penalty Is Applied

In some cases, the estate or trust may owe a penalty when it files its return. The penalty is imposed on each underpayment for the number of days it remains unpaid. A penalty may be applied if the estate or trust did not pay enough estimated tax or it did not make the payments on time or in the required amount. A penalty may apply even if the estate or trust has an overpayment on its tax return.

The penalty may be waived under certain conditions. See Pub. 505 for details.

## Certain Payments of Estimated Tax Treated as Paid by Beneficiary

The fiduciary (or executor, for the final year of the estate) may elect to have any portion of its estimated tax payments treated as made by a beneficiary (and **not** as payments made by the estate or trust).

Such an amount is treated as a payment of the estimated tax made by the beneficiary on the January 15 following the tax year.

**Time for making election.** The fiduciary must make the election on the 2001 **Form 1041-T**, Allocation of Estimated Tax Payments to Beneficiaries. The election must be filed on or before the 65th day after the close of the estate's or trust's tax year. For details, see section 643(g).

**Paperwork Reduction Act Notice.** We ask for the information on the payment vouchers to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. You are required to give us the information. We need it to ensure that you are complying with these laws and to allow us to figure and collect the right amount of tax.

You are not required to provide the information requested on a form that is subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act unless the form displays a valid OMB control number. Books or records relating to a form or its instructions must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any Internal Revenue law. Generally, tax returns and return information are confidential, as required by Code section 6103.

The time needed to complete the worksheets and prepare and file the payment vouchers will vary depending on individual circumstances. The estimated average time is:

<b>Recordkeeping</b> . . . . .	19 min.
<b>Learning about the law or the form</b> . . . . .	15 min.
<b>Preparing the form</b> . . . . .	1 hr., 33 min.
<b>Copying, assembling, and sending the form to the IRS</b> . . . . .	1 hr.

If you have comments concerning the accuracy of these time estimates or suggestions for making this package simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. You can write to the Tax Forms Committee, Western Area Distribution Center, Rancho Cordova, CA 95743-0001. **Do not** send the payment vouchers to this address. Instead, see **Where To File** above.

**2001 Estimated Tax Worksheet (Do Not File—Keep for Your Records)**

1 Enter adjusted total income expected in 2001 . . . . .		<b>1</b>	
2 Enter any expected income distribution deduction . . . . .	<b>2</b>		
3 Enter any estate tax deduction . . . . .	<b>3</b>		
4 Enter exemption (see instructions) . . . . .	<b>4</b>		
5 Add lines 2 through 4 . . . . .		<b>5</b>	
6 Taxable income of estate or trust. Subtract line 5 from line 1 . . . . .		<b>6</b>	
7 <b>Tax.</b> Figure your tax on line 6 by using the <b>2001 Tax Rate Schedule</b> below. (If the estate or trust expects a net capital gain and line 6 is more than zero, use the <b>Tax Computation Worksheet Using Maximum Capital Gains Rates</b> on page 4, to figure the tax.)		<b>7</b>	
8 Alternative minimum tax . . . . .		<b>8</b>	
9 Add lines 7 and 8. Include any tax on lump-sum distributions from Form 4972 . . . . .		<b>9</b>	
10 Credits (see instructions) . . . . .		<b>10</b>	
11 Subtract line 10 from line 9. If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .		<b>11</b>	
12 Other taxes (see instructions) . . . . .		<b>12</b>	
13 <b>2001 estimated tax.</b> Add lines 11 and 12. Reduce this total by any credit you expect to claim on Form 4136		<b>13</b>	
14a Enter 90% of line 13 (66 <sup>2</sup> / <sub>3</sub> % for farmers and fishermen) . . . . .	<b>14a</b>		
b Enter the tax shown on the 2000 Form 1041 (110% of that amount if the estate's or trust's AGI on that return is more than \$150,000, and less than <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> of gross income for 2000 or 2001 is from farming or fishing).	<b>14b</b>		
c <b>Required annual payment.</b> Enter the smaller of line 14a or 14b . . . . .		<b>14c</b>	
15 Income tax withheld and estimated to be withheld during 2001 and other credits . . . . .		<b>15</b>	
16 Subtract line 15 from line 14c. . . . .		<b>16</b>	
<i>(Note: If line 13 minus line 15 is less than \$1,000, the estate or trust is not required to make estimated tax payments.)</i>			
17 <b>Installment amount.</b> If the first required payment is due April 16, 2001, enter <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> of line 16 (minus any 2000 overpayment that you are applying to this installment) here and on line 1 of the payment voucher(s). You may round off cents to the nearest whole dollar		<b>17</b>	

**2001 Tax Rate Schedule**

Estates and trusts, if line 6 of the Estimated Tax Worksheet above is:		The tax is:	
Over—	But not over—		Of the amount over—
\$0	\$1,800	15%	\$0
1,800	4,250	\$270.00 + 28%	1,800
4,250	6,500	956.00 + 31%	4,250
6,500	8,900	1,653.50 + 36%	6,500
8,900	-----	2,517.50 + 39.6%	8,900

**Record of Estimated Tax Payments**

Pay-ment no.	(a) Date	(b) Check or money order number	(c) Amount	(d) 2000 overpayment credit applied	(e) Total amount paid and credited (add (c) and (d))
1					
2					
3					
4					
<b>Total</b>					

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Form **1041-ES**  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

2001 Payment Voucher 4

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File only if the estate or trust is making a payment of estimated tax. Return this voucher with check or money order payable to "United States Treasury." Write the estate's or trust's EIN and "2001 Form 1041-ES" on the check or money order. Do not send cash. Enclose, but do not staple or attach, the payment with this voucher.

Calendar year—Due Jan. 15, 2002

**Amount of Payment**

\$

Fiscal year filers—enter year ending     (month and year)	Type or print	Employer identification number <hr/> Name of estate or trust <hr/> Name and title of fiduciary <hr/> Address of fiduciary (number, street, and room or suite no.) <hr/> City, state, and ZIP code <hr/>
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**2001 Tax Computation Worksheet Using Maximum Capital Gains Rates** (Use this computation if the estate or trust expects a net capital gain and line 6 of the Estimated Tax Worksheet for 2001 is more than zero.)

1	Enter taxable income (from line 6 of the Worksheet on page 3)		1
2	Enter the net capital gain expected for 2001 ( <b>Reminder:</b> Do not include any capital gain from the disposition of property held for investment that you elect to include in investment income for investment interest expense purposes.)	2	
3	Combine the net short-term capital loss and 28% rate gain or loss expected for 2001. If zero or less, enter -0-	3	
4	Enter the unrecaptured section 1250 gain expected for 2001	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	
6	Subtract line 5 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0-		6
7	Subtract line 6 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-		7
8	Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 1 or \$1,800		8
9	Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 7 or line 8	9	
10	Subtract line 2 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0-	10	
11	Enter the <b>larger</b> of line 9 or line 10	11	
12	Tax on amount on line 11 from the 2001 Tax Rate Schedule		12
<b>Note:</b> If the amounts on lines 8 and 9 are the same, skip lines 13 through 20 and go to line 21.			
13	Enter the amount from line 8	13	
14	Enter the amount from line 7	14	
15	Subtract line 14 from line 13. If zero or less, enter -0-	15	
16	Enter the amount, if any, of your qualified 5-year gain	16	
17	Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 15 or line 16	17	
18	Multiply line 17 by 8% (.08)		18
19	Subtract line 17 from line 15	19	
20	Multiply line 19 by 10% (.10)		20
<b>Note:</b> If the amounts on lines 1 and 8 are the same, skip lines 21 through 34 and go to line 35.			
21	Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 1 or line 6	21	
22	Enter the amount from line 15.	22	
23	Subtract line 22 from line 21	23	
24	Multiply line 23 by 20% (.20)		24
<b>Note:</b> If line 5 is zero or blank, skip lines 25 through 34 and go to line 35.			
25	Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 2 or line 4	25	
26	Add lines 2 and 11	26	
27	Enter the amount from line 1	27	
28	Subtract line 27 from line 26. If zero or less, enter -0-	28	
29	Subtract line 28 from line 25. If zero or less, enter -0-	29	
30	Multiply line 29 by 25% (.25)		30
<b>Note:</b> If line 3 is zero or blank, skip lines 31 through 34 and go to line 35.			
31	Enter the amount from line 1	31	
32	Add lines 11, 15, 23, and 29	32	
33	Subtract line 32 from line 31	33	
34	Multiply line 33 by 28% (.28)		34
35	Add lines 12, 18, 20, 24, 30, and 34		35
36	Tax on the amount on line 1 from the 2001 Tax Rate Schedule		36
37	<b>Tax.</b> Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 35 or line 36 here and on line 7 of the Worksheet on page 3		37

# 2001 Payment Voucher 3

File only if the estate or trust is making a payment of estimated tax. Return this voucher with check or money order payable to **"United States Treasury."** Write the estate's or trust's EIN and "2001 Form 1041-ES" on the check or money order. Do not send cash. Enclose, but do not staple or attach, the payment with this voucher.

Calendar year—Due Sept. 17, 2001

Amount of Payment

\$

Fiscal year filers—enter year ending  ..... (month and year)	Type or print	Employer identification number
		Name of estate or trust
		Name and title of fiduciary
		Address of fiduciary (number, street, and room or suite no.)
		City, state, and ZIP code

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# 2001 Payment Voucher 2

File only if the estate or trust is making a payment of estimated tax. Return this voucher with check or money order payable to **"United States Treasury."** Write the estate's or trust's EIN and "2001 Form 1041-ES" on the check or money order. Do not send cash. Enclose, but do not staple or attach, the payment with this voucher.

Calendar year—Due June 15, 2001

Amount of Payment

\$

Fiscal year filers—enter year ending  ..... (month and year)	Type or print	Employer identification number
		Name of estate or trust
		Name and title of fiduciary
		Address of fiduciary (number, street, and room or suite no.)
		City, state, and ZIP code

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# 2001 Payment Voucher 1

File only if the estate or trust is making a payment of estimated tax. Return this voucher with check or money order payable to **"United States Treasury."** Write the estate's or trust's EIN and "2001 Form 1041-ES" on the check or money order. Do not send cash. Enclose, but do not staple or attach, the payment with this voucher.

Calendar year—Due April 16, 2001

Amount of Payment

\$

Fiscal year filers—enter year ending  ..... (month and year)	Type or print	Employer identification number
		Name of estate or trust
		Name and title of fiduciary
		Address of fiduciary (number, street, and room or suite no.)
		City, state, and ZIP code