*final maturity*). (1) We provide two methods of receiving payments of principal and interest:

(i) Payment to your account at a financial institution by the ACH method, or

(ii) Payment to your TreasuryDirect account to purchase a certificate of indebtedness.

(2) You may select different payment destinations for principal and interest for a marketable Treasury security. You may change your payment destination at any time, unless the security is in the closed book period. (See §363.210.)

(3) If we are unable to deliver a payment, we will use the payment to purchase a certificate of indebtedness in your TreasuryDirect account.

[70 FR 57443, Sept. 30, 2005]

### § 363.41 What happens if an ACH payment is returned to Public Debt?

We will notify you electronically of the returned payment. We will hold your payment until you provide us with instructions. Returned payments will not earn interest. We reserve the right to redirect a returned payment to the bank account at a financial institution that you have designated in your TreasuryDirect<sup>®</sup> account as your primary bank account, if that account is different from the one that returned the payment to us. We are not responsible for any fees your financial insti31 CFR Ch. II (7–1–06 Edition)

tution may charge relating to returned ACH payments.

[69 FR 50308, Aug. 16, 2004]

## § 363.42 How will my interest income be reported for tax purposes?

When you open your TreasuryDirect<sup>®</sup> account, you consent to receive the appropriate tax reporting forms by electronic means. We will notify you when your tax reporting forms are available. The form will be available in printable form through your TreasuryDirect account. If you withdraw your consent to receive tax reporting forms by electronic means, we reserve the right to redeem any savings bonds held in your account and close your account.

 $[67\ {\rm FR}\ 64286,\ {\rm Oct.}\ 17,\ 2002,\ {\rm as}\ {\rm amended}\ {\rm at}\ 70\ {\rm FR}\ 57435,\ {\rm Sept.}\ 30,\ 2005]$ 

#### §363.43 What are the procedures for certifying my signature on an offline application for a TreasuryDirect<sup>®</sup> account, or on an offline transaction form?

(a) Certification within the United States. For certifications within the United States, the certifying individual must be authorized to bind his or her institution by his or her acts, to guarantee signatures to assignments of securities, or to certify assignments of securities. The following table provides a list of authorized certifying individuals and the required evidence of authority. Members of Treasury-recognized signature guarantee programs are for security transfers only.

Who can certify signatures in the U.S.	Evidence of certifying individual's authority
(1) Officers and employees of depository institutions	<ul> <li>(i) We require the institution's seal or signature guarantee stamp.</li> <li>(ii) If the institution is an authorized paying agent for U.S. Savings Bonds, we require a legible imprint of the paying agent's stamp.</li> </ul>
(2) Institutions that are members of Treasury—recognized sig- nature guarantee programs (for security transfers only).	We require the imprint of the signature guarantee stamp, i.e., the STAMP, SEMP, or MSP stamp for members of the Se- curities Transfer Agents Medallion Program, the Stock Ex- changes Medallion Program, or the New York Stock Ex- change Inc. Medallion Signature Program.
(3) Officers and employees of corporate central credit unions, Federal Land Banks, Federal Intermediate Credit Banks and Banks for Cooperatives, the Central Bank for Cooperatives, and Federal Home Loan Banks.	We require the entity's seal.
(4) Commissioned or warrant officers of the United States Armed Forces, for signatures executed by Armed Forces personnel, civilian field employees, and members of their families.	(i) We require a statement that the person executing the as- signment is one whose signature the officer is authorized to certify under our regulations. (ii) The certifying official's rank must be shown.
<ul><li>(5) A judge or clerk of the court</li><li>(6) Other persons as designated by the Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner of Public Debt.</li></ul>	We require the seal of the court. Evidence is determined by our procedures.

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(b) Certification within foreign countries. The following table lists the authorized certifying individuals for foreign countries and the required evidence of the individual's authority.

Who can certify signatures in foreign countries	Evidence of certifying individual's authority
(1) United States diplomatic or consular officials	<ul> <li>(i) We require the seal or stamp of the office.</li> <li>(ii) If there is no seal or stamp, then we require certification by some other authorized individual, under seal or stamp.</li> </ul>
(2) Managers and officers of foreign branches of U.S. deposi- tory institutions and institutions that are members of Treas- ury-recognized signature guarantee programs (for security transfers only).	We require the seal of the depository institution, or the imprint of the signature guarantee stamp, i.e., the STAMP, SEMP, or MSP stamp for members of the Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program, the Stock Exchanges Medallion Program, or the New York Stock Exchange Incorporated Me- dallion Signature Program.
(3) Notaries Public and other officers authorized to administer oaths, provided their authority is certified by a United States diplomatic or consular official.	<ul> <li>(i) We require the official seal or stamp of the office.</li> <li>(ii) If there is no seal or stamp, the position must be certified by some other authorized individual, under seal or stamp, or otherwise proved to our satisfaction.</li> </ul>

(c) Duties and liabilities of certifying individuals. (1) The certifying individual must first establish the identity of the signer.

(2) The form must be signed in the presence of the certifying individual.

(3) If the certifying individual is not an officer, the certifying individual must insert the words "Authorized Signature" in the space provided for the title.

(4) If the certifying individual is negligent in making the certification, the certifying individual and his or her organization are jointly and severally liable for any loss the United States may incur as a result of the negligence.

(d) Guaranteed signatures. (1) A security or other form requiring certification need not be executed in the presence of a certifying individual if the signature is unconditionally guaranteed by the certifying individual. To guarantee a signature, the certifying individual must add a dated endorsement after the signature. For example:

Signature guaranteed, First National Bank of Smithville, Smithville, NH, by A. B. Doe, President, dated 1/1/2001.

(2) The certifying individual and his or her organization unconditionally guarantee to us that the signature is genuine and the signer had the legal capacity to execute the assignment or related form.

(e) Guaranteed absence of a signature. (1) A form requiring a certified signature need not be signed when a certifying individual associated with a depository financial institution places the following endorsement on the security or the form:

Absence of signature by owner and validity of transaction guaranteed, Second State Bank of Jonesville, Jonesville, NC, by B. R. Butler, Vice President, dated 11/1/2001.

(2) The endorsement must be dated and the seal of the institution must be added.

(3) This form of endorsement is an unconditional guarantee to us that the institution is acting for the signer under proper authorization.

(f) Persons who cannot act as certifying individuals. Any person having an interest in a security involved in the transaction cannot act as a certifying individual. However, an authorized officer or employee of a depository financial institution that is a member of a Treasury-recognized signature guarantee program can act as a certifying individual for transfer of a security to the institution or on behalf of the institution.

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### § 363.44 What happens when a TreasuryDirect<sup>®</sup> account owner dies and the estate is entitled to securities held in the account?

(a) Estate is being administered. (1) For an estate that is being administered, the legal representative of the estate may request payment of securities, if the securities are eligible for payment, to the estate or to the persons entitled, or may:

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