

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Attach to the corporation's tax return.

**2003**

Name		Employer identification number	
1	Alternative minimum tax (AMT) for 2002. Enter the amount from line 15 of the 2002 Form 4626	1	
2	Minimum tax credit carryforward from 2002. Enter the amount from line 9 of the 2002 Form 8827	2	
3	Enter the total of any 2002 unallowed nonconventional source fuel credit and 2002 unallowed qualified electric vehicle credit (see instructions)	3	
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4	
5	Enter the corporation's 2003 regular income tax liability minus allowable tax credits (see instructions)	5	
6	Is the corporation a "small corporation" exempt from the AMT for 2003 (see instructions)? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Yes.</b> Enter 25% of the excess of line 5 over \$25,000. If line 5 is \$25,000 or less, enter -0-.</li> <li>• <b>No.</b> Complete Form 4626 for 2003 and enter the tentative minimum tax from line 12.</li> </ul>	6	
7	Subtract line 6 from line 5. If zero or less, enter -0-	7	
8	<b>Minimum tax credit.</b> Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 4 or line 7 here and on Form 1120, Schedule J, line 6e or the appropriate line of the corporation's income tax return. If the corporation had a post-1986 ownership change or has pre-acquisition excess credits, see instructions	8	
9	<b>Minimum tax credit carryforward to 2004.</b> Subtract line 8 from line 4. Keep a record of this amount to carry forward and use in future years	9	

**Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted. Year references are to the corporation's tax year beginning during that year.

**Purpose of Form**

Corporations use Form 8827 to figure the minimum tax credit, if any, for AMT incurred in prior tax years and to figure any minimum tax credit carryforward.

**Who Should File**

Form 8827 should be filed by corporations that had:

- An AMT liability in 2002,
- A minimum tax credit carryforward from 2002 to 2003, or
- A nonconventional source fuel credit or qualified electric vehicle credit not allowed for 2002 (see the instructions for line 3).

**Line 3**

Enter the total of any nonconventional source fuel credit and qualified electric vehicle credit not allowed for 2002 solely because of the limitations under sections 29(b)(6)(B) and 30(b)(3)(B).

**Line 5**

Enter the corporation's 2003 regular income tax liability (as defined in section 26(b)) minus any credits allowed under Chapter 1, Subchapter A, Part IV, subparts B, D, E, and F of the Internal Revenue Code (e.g., if you are filing Form 1120, subtract any credits on

Schedule J, lines 6a through 6d, from the amount on Schedule J, line 3).

**Line 6**

See the 2003 Instructions for Form 4626 to find out if the corporation is treated as a "small corporation" exempt from the AMT for 2003. If the corporation is a "small corporation" exempt from the AMT, see section 38(c)(4) before completing line 6 for special rules that apply to controlled corporate groups, regulated investment companies, and real estate investment trusts.

**Line 8**

If the corporation had a post-1986 ownership change (as defined in section 382(g)), the amount of pre-change minimum tax credits that can be applied against the corporation's tax for any tax year ending after the ownership change may be limited. See section 383 and the related regulations. To figure the amount of the pre-change credit, the corporation must allocate the credit for the change year between the pre-change period and the post-change period. The corporation must use the same method of allocation (ratable allocation or closing-of-the-books) for purposes of sections 382 and 383. See Regulations section 1.382-6 for details.

Also, pre-acquisition excess credits of one corporation generally cannot be used to offset the tax attributable to recognized built-in gains of another corporation. See section 384 for details.

If either limit applies, attach a computation of the minimum tax credit allowed. Enter that amount on line 8. Write "Sec. 383" or "Sec. 384" on the dotted line to the left of the line 8 entry space.

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