

**Worksheet VIII– Social Security Benefits**

Your social security benefits taxable to Montana may be different from what is taxable to the federal government. Complete this worksheet to determine your Montana taxable social security.

Tier I Railroad Retirement benefits are not taxable to Montana. If the only social security benefits that you receive are from Tier I Railroad Retirement benefits and if you reported a portion of these benefits on your Form 2, line 20b as taxable benefit, enter this amount on Form 2A, Schedule II, line 23.

|  | Column A (for single, joint, separate, or head of household) | Column B (for spouse when filing separately using filing status 3a) |
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| <b>1</b> Enter the total amount from box 5 of all your federal Form SSA-1099... .. <b>1</b>  |  |   |
| <b>2</b> Multiply line 1 by .50 (50%) and enter result here..... <b>2</b>  |  |   |
| <b>3</b> Add the amounts on Form 2, lines 7, 8a, 9a, 10 through 14, 15b, 16b, 17 through 19 and 21 and enter the result here..... <b>3</b>   |  |   |
| <b>4</b> Add the amount on Form 2A, Schedule I, lines 1 through 4, 6a through 6c, and 7 through 16, along with tax exempt interest that you reported on Form 2, line 8b, which is not included on Form 2A, Schedule I, line 1..... <b>4</b>  |  |   |
| <b>5</b> Add lines 2, 3 and 4 and enter the result here..... <b>5</b>  |  |   |
| <b>6</b> Add the amounts on Form 2, lines 23 through 32, plus any write-in adjustments on line 36 with the amounts on your Form 2A, Schedule II, lines 2 through 21, 23, 24a through 24c, and 25 through 33, and enter the result here. .... <b>6</b>  |  |   |
| <b>7</b> Is the amount on line 6 less than the amount on line 5?<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b> None of your social security benefits are taxable. Enter zero on line 18 and go to line 19.<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> Subtract line 6 from line 5 and enter the result here..... <b>7</b>  |  |   |
| <b>8</b> Enter the amount that corresponds to the filing status that you checked on Form 2, page 1, lines 1 through 4.<br>\$32,000 in column A if you checked box 2.<br>\$25,000 in column A if you checked boxes 1 or 4.<br>\$16,000 in columns A and B if you checked boxes 3a, 3b, or 3c. <b>8</b>  |  |   |
| <b>9</b> Is the amount on line 8 less than the amount on line 7?<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b> None of your social security benefits are taxable. Enter zero on line 18 and go to line 19.<br><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b> Subtract line 8 from line 7 and enter the result here..... <b>9</b>  |  |   |
| <b>10</b> Enter the amount that corresponds to the filing status that you checked on Form 2, page 1, lines 1 through 4.<br>\$12,000 in column A if you checked box 2.<br>\$ 9,000 in column A if you checked boxes 1 or 4.<br>\$ 6,000 in columns A and B if you checked boxes 3a, 3b, or 3c. <b>10</b>  |  |   |
| <b>11</b> Subtract line 10 from line 9 and enter the result here. If less than zero enter zero..... <b>11</b>  |  |   |
| <b>12</b> Enter here the smaller of line 9 or line 10..... <b>12</b>   |  |   |
| <b>13</b> Multiply line 12 by .50 (50%) and enter the result here..... <b>13</b>   |  |   |
| <b>14</b> Enter the smaller of line 2 or line 13..... <b>14</b>  |  |   |
| <b>15</b> Multiply line 11 by .85 (85%) and enter result here. If line 11 is zero, enter zero..... <b>15</b>   |  |   |
| <b>16</b> Add lines 14 and 15 and enter the result here..... <b>16</b>   |  |   |
| <b>17</b> Multiply line 1 by .85 (85%) and enter result here..... <b>17</b>  |  |   |
| <b>18</b> Enter the smaller of line 16 or 17. <b>This is your Montana taxable social security benefits</b> ..... <b>18</b>   |  |   |
| <b>19</b> Enter the federal taxable amount of social security benefits that you reported on Form 2, line 20b..... <b>19</b>  |  |   |
| <b>20</b> a. If line 19 equals line 18, the amount of the federal taxable social security benefits that you reported on Form 2, line 20b is the same amount that is taxable to Montana. No adjustment is necessary.<br>b. If line 19 is less than line 18, enter the difference here and on Form 2A, Schedule I, line 5. <b>This is the portion of your social security benefits that are exempt from federal tax and not included on Form 2, line 20b that are taxable to Montana</b> ..... <b>20b</b><br>c. If line 19 is greater than line 18, enter the difference here and on Form 2A, Schedule II, line 22. <b>This is the portion of your federal taxable social security benefits that are included on Form 2, line 20b that are not taxable to Montana</b> ..... <b>20c</b> |  |   |