## **Attention:**

This form is provided for informational purposes only. Copy A appears in red, similar to the official IRS form. Do **not** file copy A downloaded from this website with the SSA. The official printed version of this IRS form is scannable, but the online version of it, printed from this website, is not. A penalty may be imposed for filing forms that can't be scanned. See the penalties section in the current General Instructions for Forms W-2 and W-3 for more information.

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You may file Forms W-2 and W-3 electronically on the SSA's website at Employer Reporting Instructions & Information. You can create fill-in versions of Forms W-2 and W-3 for filing with SSA. You may also print out copies for filing with state or local governments, distribution to your employees, and for your records.

See IRS Publications 1141, 1167, 1179 and other IRS resources for information about printing these tax forms.

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	a Control number		For Official Use Only ▶				
33333			OMB No. 1545-0008				
b Kind of Payer (Check one)	941 CT-1	Military 943  Hshld. Medicare emp. govt. emp		Kind of Employer (Check one)	State/local	non-govt. 	Third-party sick pay  (Check if applicable)
c Total number of Forms W-2 d Establishment number				1 Wages, tips, other compensation 2 Federal income tax withheld			eld
e Employer identification number (EIN)				3 Social security wages		4 Social security tax withheld	
f Employer's name				5 Medicare wages and tips		6 Medicare tax withheld	
				7 Social security tips		8 Allocated tips	
				9		10 Dependent care benefits	
g Employer's address and ZIP code				11 Nonqualified plans		12a Deferred compensation	
h Other EIN used this year				13 For third-party sick pay use only		12b	
15 State Employer's state ID number				14 Income tax withheld by payer of third-party sick pay			
16 State wages, tip	os, etc.	17 State income tax	(	18 Local wages, tips, etc	0.	19 Local income tax	
Contact person				Telephone number For Official Use Only			
Email address				Fax number			

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return and accompanying documents and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete.

Signature ► Title ► Date ►

# Form W-3 Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Send this entire page with the entire Copy A page of Form(s) W-2 to the Social Security Administration (SSA). Photocopies are not acceptable. Do not send Form W-3 if you filed electronically with the SSA. Do not send any payment (cash, checks, money orders, etc.) with Forms W-2 and W-3.

#### Reminder

**Separate instructions.** See the 2012 General Instructions for Forms W-2 and W-3 for information on completing this form.

### **Purpose of Form**

A Form W-3 Transmittal is completed only when paper Copy A of Form(s) W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, is being filed. Do not file Form W-3 alone. Do not file Form W-3 for Form(s) W-2 that were submitted electronically to the SSA (see below). All paper forms **must** comply with IRS standards and be machine readable. Photocopies are **not** acceptable. Use a Form W-3 even if only one paper Form W-2 is being filed. Make sure both the Form W-3 and Form(s) W-2 show the correct tax year and Employer Identification Number (EIN). Make a copy of this form and keep it with Copy D (For Employer) of Form(s) W-2 for your records. The IRS recommends retaining copies of these forms for four years.

#### E-Filing

The SSA strongly suggests employers report Form W-3 and Forms W-2 Copy A electronically instead of on paper. The SSA provides two free efiling options on its Business Services Online (BSO) website:

- W-2 Online. Use fill-in forms to create, save, print, and submit up to 50 Forms W-2 at a time to the SSA.
- File Upload. Upload wage files to the SSA you have created using payroll or tax software that formats the files according to the SSA's Specifications for Filing Forms W-2 Electronically (EFW2).

W-2 Online fill-in forms or file uploads will be on time if submitted by April 1, 2013. For more information, go to www.socialsecurity.gov/employer and select "First Time Filers" or "Returning Filers" under "BEFORE YOU FILE."

#### When To File

Mail Copy A of Form W-3 with Form(s) W-2 by February 28, 2013.

### Where To File Paper Forms

Send this entire page with the entire Copy A page of Form(s) W-2 to:

Social Security Administration Data Operations Center Wilkes-Barre, PA 18769-0001

**Note.** If you use "Certified Mail" to file, change the ZIP code to "18769-0002." If you use an IRS-approved private delivery service, add "ATTN: W-2 Process, 1150 E. Mountain Dr." to the address and change the ZIP code to "18702-7997." See Publication 15 (Circular E), Employer's Tax Guide, for a list of IRS-approved private delivery services.