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Bulletin: TAXES 13-1, Maryland State and County Income Tax Withholding

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To: Subscribers of Tax Bulletins

Beginning with wages paid for Pay Period 26, 2012, the National Finance Center (NFC) made the following changes to the withholding of county income tax for Anne Arundel, Talbot, and Wicomico which is included in the computation of State income tax withholding, if applicable:

- The withholding rate for Anne Arundel will increase from 2.49 percent to 2.56 percent.
- The withholding rate for Talbot will increase from 2.25 percent to 2.40 percent.
- The withholding rate for Wicomico will increase from 3.10 percent to 3.20 percent.

For questions about NFC processing, authorized Servicing Personnel Office representatives should contact the NFC Contact Center at **1-855-NFC-4GOV** (**1-855-632-4468**) or via the Internet using the Requester Console.

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Maryland State Income Tax Information

State Abbreviation: MD

State Tax Withholding State Code: 24

Acceptable Exemption Form: MW 507

Basis for Withholding: State Exemptions

Acceptable Exemption Data: S, M/Number of Allowances

TSP Deferred: Yes

Special Coding: Determine the Total Number of Allowances Claimed field as

follows:

First Position - S = Single; M = Married.

Second or Third Positions - Enter the number of

exemptions claimed.

Additional Information: The Maryland State income tax formula contains a

computation for Maryland county tax. Residents of the State of Maryland are required to pay the appropriate county tax in addition to the State income tax. Nonresidents of Maryland pay only the State income tax. Refer to the withholding formula for information on the individual county rates.

Withholding Formula ▶(Effective Pay Period 26, 2012)◀

- 1. Subtract the nontaxable biweekly Thrift Savings Plan contribution from the gross biweekly wages.
- 2. Subtract the nontaxable biweekly Federal Health Benefits Plan payment(s) (includes dental and vision insurance program and Flexible Spending Account health care and dependent care deductions) from the amount computed in step 1.
- 3. Add the taxable biweekly fringe benefits (i.e., taxable life insurance) to the amount computed in step 2 to obtain the adjusted gross biweekly wages.
- 4. Multiply the adjusted gross biweekly wages times 26 to obtain the gross annual wages.

5. Determine the standard deduction by applying the following guideline and subtract this amount from the gross annual wages computed in step 4.

Standard Deduction² = 15 percent x Annual Wages

¹ If gross annual wages are less than \$5,000, taxes will not be withheld.

² Minimum of \$1,500/Maximum of \$2,000

6. Determine the dependent allowance by applying the following guideline and subtract this amount from the result of step 5 to determine the taxable income.

Exemption Allowance = \$3,200 x Number of Exemptions

If the Amount of

If the Amount of

Taxable Income Is:

7. Apply the taxable income computed in step 6 to the following table to determine the annual Maryland tax withholding.

Maryland Nonresident Not Subject to Maryland County Tax

Married

The Amount of Maryland

The Amount of Maryland Tax Withholding Should Be:

Taxable	Income Is:	Tax Withhole	ding Sho	ould Be:	
Over:	But Not Over:				Of Excess Over:
\$0	\$150,000	\$0	plus	6.00%	\$0
150,000	175,000	9,000.00	plus	6.25%	150,000
175,000	225,000	10,562.50	plus	6.50%	175,000
225,000	300,000	13,812.50	plus	6.75%	225,000
300,000	and over	18,875.00	plus	7.00%	300,000

Single

Over:	But Not Over:				Of Excess Over:
\$0	\$100,000	\$0	plus	6.00%	\$0
100,000	125,000	6,000.00	plus	6.25%	100,000
125,000	150,000	7,562.50	plus	6.50%	125,000
150,000	250,000	9,187.50	plus	6.75%	150,000
250,000	and over	15,937.50	plus	7.00%	250,000

All Other Employees

Married

The Amount of Maryland

The Amount of Maryland

Tax Withholding Should Be:

12,812.50 plus 5.75%

250,000

Taxable Income Is:		Tax Withhole	Tax Withholding Should Be:			
Over:	But Not Over:				Of Excess Over:	
\$0	\$150,000	\$0	plus	4.75%	\$0	
150,000	175,000	7,125	plus	5.00%	150,000	
175,000	225,000	8,375	plus	5.25%	175,000	
225,000	300,000	11,000	plus	5.50%	225,000	
300,000	and over	15,125	plus	5.75%	300,000	

Single

Of Excess Over:				But Not Over:	Over:
\$0	4.75%	plus	\$0	\$100,000	\$0
100,000	5.00%	plus	4,750.00	125,000	100,000
125,000	5.25%	plus	6,000.00	150,000	125,000
150,000	5.50%	plus	7.312.50	250.000	150.000

- 8. Divide the result of step 7 by 26 to obtain the biweekly Maryland State tax. **Residents** of Maryland are to proceed to step 9 to compute Maryland county tax.
- 9. If the employee is a resident of the State of Maryland, compute the annual county tax withholding as follows:
- a. Repeat steps 1 through 5.

and over

If the Amount of

If the Amount of

250,000

Taxable Income Is:

- b. Determine the dependent allowance by applying the following guideline and subtract this amount from the result of step 9a to determine the taxable county income.
 - Exemption Allowance = $\$3,200 \times \text{Number of Exemptions}$
- c. Apply the taxable income computed in 9b to the following guideline to determine the appropriate county income tax:

Compute the Annual Income Tax Withholding For:	By Multiplying the Annual Taxable Wage By:
Allegany	3.05%
►Anne Arundel	2.56%
Baltimore	2.83%
Baltimore City	3.20%
Calvert	2.80%
Caroline	2.63%
Carroll	3.05%
Cecil	2.80%
Charles	2.90%
Dorchester	2.62%
Fredrick	2.96%
Garrett	2.65%
Harford	3.06%
Howard	3.20%
Kent	2.85%
Montgomery	3.20%
Prince George's	3.20%
Queen Anne's	3.20%
St. Mary's	3.00%
Somerset	3.15%
▶Talbot	2.40%
Washington	2.80%
►Wicomico	3.20%
Worcester	1.25%

d. Divide the result of step 9c by 26 to obtain the biweekly Maryland county tax.

e. Add the results of steps 8 and 9d to determine the resident's biweekly Maryland State and county tax combined withholding.