

Estimated Tax Payments for Individuals

Notice 96-5

This notice provides that the Internal Revenue Service will waive penalties for certain individuals for the 4th installment payment of estimated tax if that payment is made on or before January 22, 1996. Under § 6654(c) of the Internal Revenue Code, the due date for the 4th installment payment of estimated tax by individuals is January 15 of the following taxable year. Because January 15, 1996, is a Federal holiday, a payment of the 4th installment of estimated tax made on January 16, 1996, is considered timely.

Due to the blizzard that occurred on January 7 and 8, 1996, the 4th installment payment of estimated tax made by individuals who are residents of the District of Columbia, Connecticut, Delaware, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia will be considered timely if made on or before January 22, 1996. The waiver is automatic for these individuals.

Alternatively, under § 6654(h), all individuals who file their 1995 individual income tax returns on or before January 31, 1996, and pay the entire balance due with the return, do not have to make the 4th installment payment of estimated tax.

DRAFTING INFORMATION

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