# **2009 FR-900A** Employer's Withholding Tax Booklet

# **Annual Return**

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### **Important Instructions**

- You must include your Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN) or SSN on all Forms W-2 issued to employees from whom you withheld DC taxes.
- Enter whole dollar amounts. Round cents to the nearest dollar. Do not enter cents.
- Mail the FR-900A, Employer Withholding Tax Annual Return with your payment using the mail label in the back of this booklet. The mailing address is: Office of Tax and Revenue, PO Box 96385, Washington DC 20090-6385. The FR-900A is due by January 20, 2010.
- Mail Forms W-2 either electronically or, if 50 or fewer, as paper forms attached to the transmittal, Form W-2T to: Office of Tax and Revenue,
   941 North Capitol St NE. FL 6. Washington DC 20002-4265. The Forms W-2 are due by February 28, 2010.
  - File electronically if you have more than 50 Forms W-2, see "Submission of Forms W-2" for instructions.
  - You may file on paper if you have 50 or fewer Forms W-2.
- Make your check or money order payable to the DC Treasurer. Write your FEIN or SSN, FR-900A and 2009 on your payment.
- We encourage you to file and pay electronically. See www.taxpayerservicecenter.com for electronic payment options. Payments may also be made at any Wachovia Bank in DC.
- You must file the FR-900A even if no taxes were withheld or no payment is due.
- Final return oval If you have gone out of business or are otherwise no longer required to file, fill in the Final Return oval on the Form FR-900A.
- For any name or address change, fill out both sides of the FR-900C, "Change of Name or Address," form in this booklet and mail it to the Office of Tax and Revenue, PO Box 470, Washington, DC 20044-0470. Do not make a change on the return if you received a personalized return.

#### **Notice**

In transitioning from a system that accepts both paper W-2s and magnetic media, the Office of Tax and Revenue offers an electronic web-based interface for W-2 transmission. This will be used both for 50 or fewer W-2s (usually submitted on paper in past years) and for files containing more than 50 W-2s (submitted on magnetic media in MMREF-1 format in past years). A data entry interface will be provided on the OTR web site for online keying of small batches of W-2s (50 or fewer). A file transfer interface will be provided for all W-2 files, with EFW2 format specified. See the OTR web site at www.taxpayerservicecenter.com for details.

#### **International ACH Transaction (IAT)**

For electronic filers, in order to comply with new banking rules, you will be asked the question "Will the funds for this payment come from an account outside of the United States". If the answer is yes, you will be required to pay by check or credit card. Please notify this agency if your response changes in the future. If your payment is rejected, you may be subject to the District's dishonored check fee and additional penalties and interest.

## **Employer Withholding Tax Annual Return**

#### **Filing Period and Due Dates**

The annual return (FR-900A) is due by January 20, 2010.

#### Who must file?

Every employer who withholds DC income tax from an employee must file a DC Employer Withholding Tax Return.

**NOTE:** If your DC withholding total is consistently less than \$200 per period, you must file an annual withholding return. If your DC withholding is consistently between \$200 and \$800 per period, you must file a quarterly withholding return. If your DC withholding is greater than \$800 per period, you must file a monthly withholding return. You may call the Office of Tax and Revenue (OTR) at (202) 727-4TAX (4829) to change your filing frequency. If your liability is more than \$10,000 per period, you must file and pay electronically. See www.taxpayerservicecenter. com for instructions.

#### **Forms**

This booklet has all the forms and instructions you will need. It is

mailed to each registered taxpayer except those filing electronically or on a substitute form. You are responsible for filing and paying taxes on time whether or not you receive the forms.

#### **Account number**

The account number was provided to you by OTR when the business was registered.

#### **Payments**

Write your FEIN or SSN, FR-900A and 2009 on your check or money order. Make it payable to the DC Treasurer; mail it with your return to the Office of Tax and Revenue, PO Box 96385, Washington, DC 20090-6385. You may also pay electronically, see www. taxpayerservicecenter.com. There is a fee for use of a credit card to make payment.

#### **Dishonored Checks**

You will be charged \$65.00 for any check not honored by your bank and returned to OTR.

#### **Submission of Forms W-2**

You must send OTR copies of every Form W-2 you issued and showing your FEIN or SSN and the amount of DC income tax withheld during the year. These forms are due by January 31, 2010 if filed on paper (50 or fewer) or the last day of February if filed electronically. Any Form W-2 issued to a DC resident employee not showing DC income tax withheld must also be submitted along with the W-2s showing DC income tax withheld. Use transmittal form W-2T to mail 50 or fewer paper forms. If the number of Forms W-2 you are sending is more than 50 submit them electronically. See www. taxpayerservicecenter.com "Tax Forms/Publications", "Business", "Withholding", "Electronic W-2 Filing".

#### **Penalty and interest charges**

OTR will charge -

A penalty of 5% per month if you fail to file a return or pay any tax due on time. It is computed on the unpaid tax for each month, or fraction of a month, that the return is not filed or the tax is not paid. It may not exceed an additional amount equal to 25% of the tax due.

- A 20% penalty on that portion of an underpayment of taxes attributable to negligence. Negligence is a failure to make a reasonable attempt to comply with the law or to exercise ordinary and reasonable care in preparing tax returns without the intent to defraud. One indication of negligence is a failure to keep adequate books and records.
- Interest of 10% per year, compounded daily, on a late payment.

#### Special fee

OTR charges a one-time fee to cover internal collection efforts. The fee assessed is 15% of the tax balance due. Payments received by OTR on accounts subject to the fee are first applied to the fee then to penalty, interest and tax owed.

#### **Criminal penalties**

You will be penalized under the criminal provisions of the DC Code, Title 47 if you are required to file a return or report, or perform any act and you -

Fail to file the return or report timely. If convicted, you will be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for not more than 180 days, or both, for each failure or neglect.

- Willfully fail to file the return or report timely. If convicted, you
  will be fined not more than \$5,000 or imprisoned for not more
  than 180 days, or both.
  - Willfully attempt to evade or defeat a tax; or willfully fail to collect, account for, or pay a tax. You may be subject to other penalties (see DC Code §§47-4101 and 4102).

for false statements (and any other applicable penalties). Corporate officers may be held personally liable for the payment of taxes owed to DC, if not paid.

These penalties are in addition to penalties under DC Code §22-2405

# Failure to withhold or pay tax An employer who fails to withhold or pay over to DC withhold

An employer who fails to withhold or pay over to DC withholding taxes, is personally liable for the tax.

#### Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN)

A PTIN is issued by the IRS to a paid preparer who applies for one. For tax identification purposes, a PTIN may be used instead of the preparer's SSN.

Government of the District of Columbia 2009 FR-900 Important: Print in CAPITAL letters using black ink. Taxpayer Identification Number	OA Employer Withhouse Tax – Annual Re		0 9 9 0 0		
Fill in if SSN	Fill in if Amended return				
Business name					
		DC income tax year (dollars or		. (	00
Mailing address line 1		,	.,,		
		Due Date		Account Number	
Mailing address line 2		1/20/2	010		
City State	Zip Code +4	Telephone num	nber of person to contact	Preparer's FEIN, SSN or PTIN	
Under penalties of law, I declare that, to the best of my kn	nowledge, this return is correct.	Declaration of p	paid preparer is based on the	information available to the prepa	arer.

Date

Paid Preparer's Signature

Date

Title

Taxpayer's signature



# Form W-2T Transmittal for Paper Forms W-2

Attach Forms W-2 and mail to: Office of Tax and Revenue 941 North Capitol St NE, FL 6 Washington DC 20002-4265

Taxpayer Identification Number	Fill in if	FEIN Period ending MMYY	Account Number (provided by OTR)
	Fill in if	SSN	
Business name			
			Telephone number of person to contact
Mailing address line 1			
Matter and described to			Remarks
Mailing address line 2			
City	S	tate Zip Code +4	

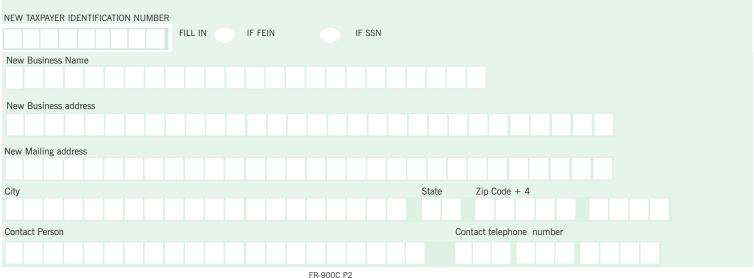


# FR-900C Change of Name or Address

If there are changes to your FEIN, business name, address or contact person, please complete both sides of this form and mail it to the Office of Tax and Revenue, PO Box 470, Washington, DC 20044-For all other changes, call the Customer Service Administration at (202) 727-4829.

Important: Print in CAPITAL letters using black ink.

PREVIOUS TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER		
FILL IN IF FEIN IF SSN		
Old Business name		
Old Business address		
Old Mailing address		
City	State Zip Cod	e + 4



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