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# Form 1099 File Layout Specifications

#### **Purpose of Document**

The purpose of this document is to provide the file format instructions and guidance for the electronic filing of multiple 1099 Forms.

#### What's New

- Automatic waiver of the penalty for failure to file form NC-3 and required W-2 and 1099 statements in the electronic format prescribed by the Secretary; for more information please visit <a href="https://www.ncdor.gov/documents/important-notice-changes-filing-requirements-form-nc-3-tax-year-2019">https://www.ncdor.gov/documents/important-notice-changes-filing-requirements-form-nc-3-tax-year-2019</a>.
- For tax year 2019, the Secretary will not require taxpayers to submit a paper or electronic copy of any federal Form 1099-MISC statement that does not report North Carolina income tax withheld. A federal Form 1099-MISC statement that reports North Carolina income tax withheld must be filed with the Department as a part of a payer's annual report filing requirement.

#### **File Format Requirements**

Below is a complete list of all original or corrected 1099 information reports that are required to be filed with the North Carolina Department of Revenue in an electronic format:

Form	Description			
1099-B	Proceeds From Broker and Barter Exchange Transactions			
1099-DIV	Dividends and Distributions			
1099-G	Certain Government Payments			
1099-INT	Interest Income			
1099-K	Payment Card and Third Party Network Transactions			
1099-MISC	Miscellaneous Income			
1099-OID	Original Issue Discount			
1099-R	Distributions From Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRAs			
	Insurance Contracts, etc.			
W-2G	Certain Gambling Winnings			
NC-1099NRS	Sale of Real Property by Nonresidents			
NC-1099PS	Personal Services Income paid to Nonresidents			
NC-1099ITIN	Compensation paid to ITIN Contractor			

To file a NC-1099PS or NC-1099ITIN, follow the 1099-MISC format in the IRS Pub. 1220.

To file a NC-1099NRS, follow the 1099-S format in the IRS Pub. 1220.

- **File Format** The eNC3 application will only accept text (.txt) files; no other file format extensions will be accepted. Some examples of unacceptable formats include PDF's, MS Word and MS Excel.
- **Testing File Formats** Prior to submitting your file, the eNC3 application will allow you to test your file layout and confirm if it's formatted correctly. This will ensure your file will be uploaded successfully without generating an error. Step by step instructions to test file formats can be found our website at <a href="https://www.ncdor.gov/documents/how-test-file-formats-using-enc3-portal">https://www.ncdor.gov/documents/how-test-file-formats-using-enc3-portal</a>.
- Naming Convention for Uploaded Files In the root directory, the file name should be "IRSTAX.txt". For each 1099 file that will be uploaded, the file name must be unique. If the 1099 file requires multiple uploads within the same submission, name your files IRSTAX\_01.txt, IRSTAX\_02.txt, etc. This naming convention is a suggested format, however, if your system requires a different format which includes the date and time of the file, please ensure that the each file name is unique.
- Follow the IRS Publication 1220 in addition to the NCDOR field requirements that are outlined below. The uploaded files must meet the requirements for filing Federal 1099 information as specified in **Internal Revenue Service Publication 1220** and the **NCDOR 1099 filing requirements below** to ensure the files are uploaded successfully.
- Follow the IRS Pub. 1220 for format guidelines for all of the "T" record, "A" record, and "B" record through field position 662.

### Reminders

- State Withholding Account Number MUST be numeric; APPLIEDFOR is not a valid entry. Please reference the eNC3 FAQ document for information on how to obtain a withholding account number (if applicable).
- The eNC3 application will only allow current year 2019 and prior years 2018 & 2017 filings.
- Prior year data, original and corrected, must be filed according to these specifications. A separate submission is required for each tax year.
- Please visit the Department's website at <u>https://www.ncdor.gov/taxes/withholding-tax/enc3</u> for more information.
- **"T" Record -** For position 16-20 Transmitter Control Code (TCC), please ensure the 5 character (alphanumeric) TCC code is entered. This is a required field and the code is assigned by the IRS and not NCDOR.

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Record Name: Payee "B" Record					
"B" record Location	Field Descriptions	Length	Explanation	Required	
11	Type of TIN	1	Enter code "1" or "2" if the Payee's Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN) is known for positions 12-20. If the Type of TIN and the Payee's TIN are not known, enter a blank.	R - Required if positions 12-20 are populated. If the "Type of TIN" is not known, default to the primary TIN type that represents the majority of the TIN's that are included in the file.	
12-20	Payee's Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)	9	Enter the nine-digit TIN of the payee. If this field is populated, the Type of TIN field must be populated with either a "1" or "2".		
663-664	NC Personal Services (NC-1099PS) NC ITIN Contractor(NC- 1099ITIN) Sale of Real Property by Nonresidents (NC-1099NRS)	2	Use "PS" – NC-1099PS. Use "IT" – NC-1099ITIN. Use "NR" – NC-1099NRS.		
665-673	State Withholding Account Number	9	State income tax withholding account number. Numeric only; "APPLIEDFOR" is not a valid entry for this field.		
674	Vested (1099-R-NC Dept. of State Treasurer)	1	"V" ONLY for NC Dept. of State Treasurer		
675-686	County	12	For NC-1099NRS ONLY. County in which property was sold.		
687	Primary Residence	1	For NC-1099NRS ONLY. Use "Y" - If property was primary residence; otherwise use "N".		
688-689	State	2	State Abbreviation for tax withholding.		
690-698	Blank	9			
699-710	State Winnings	12	For W2-G ONLY		
711-722 723-734	State Income State Income Tax Withheld	12 12	For 1099-MISC ONLY		
735-746	Local Income Tax Withheld	12			
747-748	Combined Federal/State Filing Program Code	2	Blank if not participating, "37" for NC		
749-750	Blank or CR/LF	2			

### Record length must be 750.

- 1. Alphanumeric fields should be left justified and blank filled. Amount fields are right-justified, zero-filled, dollars and cents decimal implied.
- 2. Amount fields (Payment Amounts 1-9 and A-E plus State Income Tax Withheld) are required. Where dollar amounts are zero, enter zeroes. Blanks are not a valid entry.
- 3. The filing deadline for this information is January 31<sup>st</sup> annually with the exception of form 1099-K which is due on or before March 31<sup>st</sup> of the preceding calendar year.