

# Form W-4 (2019)

**Future developments.** For the latest information about any future developments related to Form W-4, such as legislation enacted after it was published, go to [www.irs.gov/FormW4](http://www.irs.gov/FormW4).

**Purpose.** Complete Form W-4 so that your employer can withhold the correct federal income tax from your pay. Consider completing a new Form W-4 each year and when your personal or financial situation changes.

**Exemption from withholding.** You may claim exemption from withholding for 2019 if **both** of the following apply.

- For 2018 you had a right to a refund of **all** federal income tax withheld because you had **no** tax liability, **and**
- For 2019 you expect a refund of **all** federal income tax withheld because you expect to have **no** tax liability.

If you're exempt, complete **only** lines 1, 2, 3, 4, and 7 and sign the form to validate it. Your exemption for 2019 expires February 17, 2020. See Pub. 505, Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax, to learn more about whether you qualify for exemption from withholding.

## General Instructions

If you aren't exempt, follow the rest of these instructions to determine the number of withholding allowances you should claim for withholding for 2019 and any additional amount of tax to have withheld. For regular wages, withholding must be based on allowances you claimed and may not be a flat amount or percentage of wages.

You can also use the calculator at [www.irs.gov/W4App](http://www.irs.gov/W4App) to determine your tax withholding more accurately. Consider

using this calculator if you have a more complicated tax situation, such as if you have a working spouse, more than one job, or a large amount of nonwage income not subject to withholding outside of your job. After your Form W-4 takes effect, you can also use this calculator to see how the amount of tax you're having withheld compares to your projected total tax for 2019. If you use the calculator, you don't need to complete any of the worksheets for Form W-4.

Note that if you have too much tax withheld, you will receive a refund when you file your tax return. If you have too little tax withheld, you will owe tax when you file your tax return, and you might owe a penalty.

**Filers with multiple jobs or working spouses.** If you have more than one job at a time, or if you're married filing jointly and your spouse is also working, read all of the instructions including the instructions for the Two-Earners/Multiple Jobs Worksheet before beginning.

**Nonwage income.** If you have a large amount of nonwage income not subject to withholding, such as interest or dividends, consider making estimated tax payments using Form 1040-ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals. Otherwise, you might owe additional tax. Or, you can use the Deductions, Adjustments, and Additional Income Worksheet on page 3 or the calculator at [www.irs.gov/W4App](http://www.irs.gov/W4App) to make sure you have enough tax withheld from your paycheck. If you have pension or annuity income, see Pub. 505 or use the calculator at [www.irs.gov/W4App](http://www.irs.gov/W4App) to find out if you should adjust your withholding on Form W-4 or W-4P.

**Nonresident alien.** If you're a nonresident alien, see Notice 1392, Supplemental Form W-4 Instructions for Nonresident Aliens, before completing this form.

## Specific Instructions

### Personal Allowances Worksheet

Complete this worksheet on page 3 first to determine the number of withholding allowances to claim.

**Line C. Head of household please note:** Generally, you may claim head of household filing status on your tax return only if you're unmarried and pay more than 50% of the costs of keeping up a home for yourself and a qualifying individual. See Pub. 501 for more information about filing status.

**Line E. Child tax credit.** When you file your tax return, you may be eligible to claim a child tax credit for each of your eligible children. To qualify, the child must be under age 17 as of December 31, must be your dependent who lives with you for more than half the year, and must have a valid social security number. To learn more about this credit, see Pub. 972, Child Tax Credit. To reduce the tax withheld from your pay by taking this credit into account, follow the instructions on line E of the worksheet. On the worksheet you will be asked about your total income. For this purpose, total income includes all of your wages and other income, including income earned by a spouse if you are filing a joint return.

**Line F. Credit for other dependents.** When you file your tax return, you may be eligible to claim a credit for other dependents for whom a child tax credit can't be claimed, such as a qualifying child who doesn't meet the age or social security number requirement for the child tax credit, or a qualifying relative. To learn more about this credit, see Pub. 972. To reduce the tax withheld from your pay by taking this credit into account, follow the instructions on line F of the worksheet. On the worksheet, you will be asked about your total income. For this purpose, total

----- Separate here and give Form W-4 to your employer. Keep the worksheet(s) for your records. -----

<b>Form W-4</b> Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service		<b>Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate</b>		OMB No. 1545-0074 <span style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">2019</span>	
<b>1</b> Your first name and middle initial		Last name		<b>2</b> Your social security number	
Home address (number and street or rural route)		<b>3</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Married, but withhold at higher Single rate. Note: If married filing separately, check "Married, but withhold at higher Single rate."			
City or town, state, and ZIP code		<b>4</b> If your last name differs from that shown on your social security card, check here. You must call 800-772-1213 for a replacement card. <input type="checkbox"/>			
<b>5</b> Total number of allowances you're claiming (from the applicable worksheet on the following pages) . . . . .		<b>5</b>			
<b>6</b> Additional amount, if any, you want withheld from each paycheck . . . . .		<b>6</b> \$			
<b>7</b> I claim exemption from withholding for 2019, and I certify that I meet <b>both</b> of the following conditions for exemption. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Last year I had a right to a refund of <b>all</b> federal income tax withheld because I had <b>no</b> tax liability, <b>and</b></li> <li>• This year I expect a refund of <b>all</b> federal income tax withheld because I expect to have <b>no</b> tax liability.</li> </ul> If you meet both conditions, write "Exempt" here . . . . . <b>7</b>					
Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this certificate and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.					
<b>Employee's signature</b> (This form is not valid unless you sign it.) ▶				<b>Date</b> ▶	
<b>8</b> Employer's name and address ( <b>Employer:</b> Complete boxes 8 and 10 if sending to IRS and complete boxes 8, 9, and 10 if sending to State Directory of New Hires.)		<b>9</b> First date of employment	<b>10</b> Employer identification number (EIN)		



# Employee's Withholding Allowance Certificate

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First name and middle initial		Last name		Your social security number	
Permanent home address (number and street or rural route)			Apartment number		Single or Head of household <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/>
City, village, or post office			State	ZIP code	Married, but withhold at higher single rate <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Note: If married but legally separated, mark an X in the Single or Head of household box.</i>
Are you a resident of New York City? ..... Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>					
Are you a resident of Yonkers? ..... Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>					
<b>Complete the worksheet on page 3 before making any entries.</b>					
1 Total number of allowances you are claiming for New York State and Yonkers, if applicable (from line 20) .....				1	
2 Total number of allowances for New York City (from line 35) .....				2	
<b>Use lines 3, 4, and 5 below to have additional withholding per pay period under special agreement with your employer.</b>					
3 New York State amount .....				3	
4 New York City amount .....				4	
5 Yonkers amount .....				5	

I certify that I am entitled to the number of withholding allowances claimed on this certificate.

Employee's signature	Date
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**Penalty** – A penalty of \$500 may be imposed for any false statement you make that decreases the amount of money you have withheld from your wages. You may also be subject to criminal penalties.

**Employee: detach this page and give it to your employer; keep a copy for your records.**

**Employer: Keep this certificate with your records.**

Mark an **X** in box A and/or box B to indicate why you are sending a copy of this form to New York State (see instructions):

A Employee claimed more than 14 exemption allowances for NYS ..... A

B Employee is a new hire or a rehire ... B  First date employee performed services for pay (mm-dd-yyyy) (see instr.):

Are dependent health insurance benefits available for this employee? ..... Yes  No

If Yes, enter the date the employee qualifies (mm-dd-yyyy):

Employer's name and address (Employer: complete this section only if you are sending a copy of this form to the NYS Tax Department.)	Employer identification number
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## Instructions

### Changes effective for 2019

Form IT-2104 has been revised for tax year 2019. Additional allowances are allowed for covered employees of employers who elected to pay the employer compensation expense tax and for employees who made contributions to a New York Charitable Gifts Trust Fund during 2018. The worksheet on page 3 and the charts beginning on page 4, used to compute withholding allowances or to enter an additional dollar amount on line(s) 3, 4, or 5, have been revised. If you previously filed a Form IT-2104 and used the worksheet or charts, you should complete a new 2019 Form IT-2104 and give it to your employer.

### Who should file this form

This certificate, Form IT-2104, is completed by an employee and given to the employer to instruct the employer how much New York State (and New York City and Yonkers) tax to withhold from the employee's pay. The more allowances claimed, the lower the amount of tax withheld.

If you do not file Form IT-2104, your employer may use the same number of allowances you claimed on federal Form W-4. Due to differences in tax law, this may result in the wrong amount of tax withheld for New York State, New York City, and Yonkers. Complete Form IT-2104 each year and file it with your employer if the number of allowances you may claim

is different from federal Form W-4 or has changed. Common reasons for completing a new Form IT-2104 each year include the following:

- You started a new job.
- You are no longer a dependent.
- Your individual circumstances may have changed (for example, you were married or have an additional child).
- You moved into or out of NYC or Yonkers.
- You itemize your deductions on your personal income tax return.
- You claim allowances for New York State credits.
- You owed tax or received a large refund when you filed your personal income tax return for the past year.
- Your wages have increased and you expect to earn \$107,650 or more during the tax year.
- The total income of you and your spouse has increased to \$107,650 or more for the tax year.
- You have significantly more or less income from other sources or from another job.
- You no longer qualify for exemption from withholding.