

Special Information

Direct Deposit will be offered on electronically filed Arkansas Individual Income Tax returns. This is restricted to taxpayers who will receive a Federal refund and are using the Direct Deposit method for their Federal refund. You must use the same account that is being used for the direct deposit of your Federal refund.

Effective January 1, 2000, EROs are **required** to retain the AR8453 forms along with the original W-2, W-2G and 1099-R forms for 3 years from the original due date of the tax return except when forms AR1000RC5 and/or AR1000DC must be submitted to the State of Arkansas.

If the taxpayer is claiming the Disabled Individual Adjustment (AR1000DC), the Developmentally Disabled Credit (AR1000RC5), or the Organ Donor Deduction (AR1000OD) these schedules and a copy of Form AR8453 should be mailed or faxed to the E-File Office immediately after the Federal acknowledgment is received. These schedules are required in order to complete processing of the Arkansas Individual Income Tax return. EROs should retain the original Form AR8453 with the W-2, W-2G and 1099-R forms and other special form(s).

When And Where To File

Only the Austin Service Center will accept electronically filed returns beginning January 11, 2008. For addresses and complete instructions, refer to Federal Publication 1345, Handbook for Electronic Filers of Individual Income Tax Returns, and the Arkansas Handbook, AR1345 for Electronic Filers.

Line Instructions

Declaration Control Number (DCN)

The DCN is a 14 digit number assigned to your return by your on-line service provider and/or transmitter. It is included in your acknowledgment message. Clearly type or print the DCN in the top left corner of Form AR8453. The first two digits are always "00". The next six digits are the electronic filer identification number (EFIN). The next five digits are the batch number and serial number. The "8" represents the year the return is filed (2008).

Boxes

Entry

1-2	File identification number (<i>always "00"</i>)
3-8	Electronic Filer Identification Number (EFIN) assigned by the IRS
9-11	Batch number (<i>000 to 999</i>) assigned by the ERO
12-13	Serial number (<i>00 to 99</i>) assigned by the ERO
14	Year digit (<i>for 2007 the digit is "8"</i>)

Example: The EFIN is 710001. The batch number is 000. The serial number is 56. The DCN is 00-710001-00056-8.

Name, Address, and Social Security Number: If the taxpayer received a mailing label from the State of Arkansas, place the label in the name area. If the information on the label is incorrect or the taxpayer did not receive a mailing label, print or type the information in the spaces provided. Please verify that the social security number (SSN) is clear and correct. An incorrect or missing SSN may delay any refund. If filing a joint return, be sure the names and SSNs are listed in the same order.

P. O. Box: If the Post Office does not deliver mail to the taxpayer's home and he/she has a P. O. Box, enter the box number instead of the home address.

Note: *The address must match the address shown on the electronically filed Form AR1000.*

Part I – Tax Return Information

Line 3. Enter the total State of Arkansas withholding from Form(s) W-2 and/or 1099.

Part III – Declaration of Taxpayer

The taxpayer's signature allows the State of Arkansas to disclose to the ERO and/or the transmitter the reason(s) for delays in the processing of the return.

If the ERO makes changes to the electronic return after Form AR8453 has been signed by the taxpayer but before it is transmitted, the ERO must have the taxpayer complete and sign a corrected Form AR8453 if either of the following apply:

- 1) The total income on line 1 differs from the amount on the electronic return by more than \$25, or
- 2) The total tax on Line 2, the refund on Line 4, or tax due on Line 5 differs from the amount on the electronic return by more than \$7.

Part IV – Declaration of Electronic Return Originator (ERO) and Paid Preparer

The State of Arkansas requires the EROs signature.

A paid preparer must sign Form AR8453 in the space for **Paid Preparer's Use Only**. Only handwritten signatures are acceptable. If the paid preparer is also the ERO, he/she should not complete the paid preparer's section. Instead, the box labeled "Check if paid preparer" should be checked.

Refunds: After the State of Arkansas has accepted your electronically filed return, the refund should be issued within 7 to 10 business days.