

TAX ALERT

NY REQUIRES DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBERS ON E-FILED TAX FORMS

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On January 10, 2017, the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, in an effort to combat tax-related identity theft, has reported that taxpayers will be required to provide driver's license numbers along with their electronically filed tax returns. Beginning with 2016 e-filed returns, individual taxpayers that have a driver's license will be required to provide the following:

- License/ID number
- Issuing State
- Issue Date
- Expiration Date

Taxpayers who do not have a driver's license, but have a State Issued ID, should provide the Document Number from their State Issued ID.

Failure to provide the above-referenced information could result in e-file rejection or a delay in refund processing. Taxpayers who do not have a driver's license or State Issued ID do not need to provide any verification information.

Please be sure to include this information when communicating with your Mazars USA LLP Tax Professional. Those without a direct contact should feel free to reach out to Jonathan Gold at jonathan.gold@mazarsusa.com.

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