

# Form 200-01/200-03 EZ

## RESIDENT INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN

## GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

### Who Must File

- If you are a **Full-Year Resident** of the State, you must file a tax return for 2005 if, based on your Age/Status, your individual adjusted Delaware gross income (AGI) exceeds the amount shown below.

AGE/ STATUS	Filing Status			Filing as a dependent on another person's return
	1 & 5 Filing Status	2 Married filing a joint return	3 & 4 Married filing separate*	
Under 60	\$9400	\$15450	\$9400	\$5250
60 to 64**	\$12200	\$17950	\$12200	\$5250
65 and over <b>OR BLIND**</b>	\$14700	\$20450	\$14700	\$7750
65 and over <b>AND BLIND**</b>	\$17200	\$22950	\$17200	\$10250

\*This dollar amount represents your individual Adjusted Gross Income, NOT a total combined with anyone else.

\*\*Assumes only one spouse meets age or blindness criteria.

- If you are a **Part-Year Resident**, you must file a Delaware tax return:
  - If you had income from any source while a resident of Delaware, **or**
  - If you had income from a Delaware source while you were a non-resident of Delaware.

Part-Year Residents may elect to file either a resident or non-resident return. You may wish to prepare both a resident and non-resident return. File only the return which is more advantageous for you.

Part-Year Residents electing to file a resident return – This option may be advantageous if, during the period of non-residency, you had no income from sources in other states and/or your only income was from Delaware. Report all income from Delaware and from all other sources on Form 200-01.

Part-Year Residents electing to file a **non-resident return** – This option may be advantageous if, during the period of non-residency, you had any income from other states or sources outside of Delaware. Report all income from your Federal return in Column 1 and all Delaware Source income in Column 2 of Form 200-02. To determine your Delaware tax, your modified Delaware source income will be divided by your Federal modified income to compute a proration decimal. Your tax liability and personal credits will be prorated accordingly, based on the proration decimal.

Note: Volunteer Firefighter and Child Care Credits cannot be taken on the non-resident return (Form 200-02).

- If you are a **Non-Resident** who had gross income in 2005 from sources in Delaware, you must file a Delaware Tax return.

### What Form to File

	File Form:		
	200-01 R	200-03 EZ	200-02 NR
Full-year residents	√ or...	√	
Part-year residents	√ or...	√ or...	√
Non-residents			√

### Who is a Resident

A resident is an individual who either:

- Is domiciled in this State for any part of the taxable year; or
- Maintains a place of abode in this State and spends more than 183 days of the taxable year in this State.

A domicile is the place an individual intends to be his permanent home.

An individual can have only one domicile. A domicile, once established, continues until the individual moves to a new location and exhibits a bona fide intention of making it his or her permanent home.

**Full-Time Students** with a legal residence in another state remain legal residents of that state unless they exhibit intentions to make Delaware their permanent residence.

**NOTE\*: Foreign Travelers** – If you were out of the United States for at least 495 days in the last 18 consecutive months and (at the same time) you did not maintain a permanent place of abode in this State at which you, your spouse, your children or your parents were present for more than 45 days, you are not considered a resident of this State.

\*The above NOTE does not apply to members of the Armed Forces, employees of the United States, its agencies, or instrumentalities.

### Minors – Disabled – Deceased

If an individual is unable to file a return because he is a minor or is disabled, the return shall be filed by his authorized agent, guardian, fiduciary or the person charged with the care of the person or property of such individual. See the federal instructions for authorized signature. If an individual is deceased, his final return shall be filed by his executor, administrator or other person responsible for the property of the decedent.

### When to File

Individual income tax returns are due on or before May 1, 2006, for all taxpayers filing on a calendar year basis. All others must file by the last day of the fourth month following the close of their taxable year.

### Extension of Time to File a Return

**CAUTION:**  
**THERE IS NO EXTENSION OF TIME FOR PAYMENT OF TAX**

**An extension of time to file your tax return is granted when the Application for Automatic Extension (Form 1027) includes a payment for the amount of any tax reasonably estimated to be due. Interest accrues at the rate of 1% per month, or fraction of a month, on any unpaid tax from the original due date of the return until paid.**

If an extension is not filed and if there is a balance due when the return is filed, a penalty will be charged for filing the return late. If you have doubt as to whether the final return will show a balance due, file Form 1027 for an extension.

**To extend your due date** for submitting your completed income tax return (from May 1, 2006 to October 16, 2006), submit the following to the Division of Revenue no later than May 1, 2006.

1. Your payment of any balance of tax liability estimated to be due for tax year 2005 **AND**
2. The completed copy of Form 1027.

**The application for an automatic extension, Form 1027, may be filed on-line at our website at [www.state.de.us/revenue](http://www.state.de.us/revenue). If you owe tax with your extension for 2005 and file on-line, you must use a direct debit from your checking or savings account.** If you choose not to file on-line, a blank copy of Form 1027 is available from the Division of Revenue or from our website above.

**Blanket requests** for extensions will not be granted. You must submit a separate application for each return.

To extend your due date **beyond October 16, 2006**, file with the Delaware Division of Revenue a photocopy of your approved Federal extension, on or before the expiration of the extension granted on Form 1027. The approved federal extension will extend the due date of your Delaware return to the same date as your federal extension due date and must be attached to your Delaware return.

## Steps for Preparing Your Return

### Step 1

Complete your federal income tax return and any other state return(s). They will be used in preparing your Delaware return.

### Step 2

Fill in the top boxes on the front of the form (name, address, filing status). See page 5 of this booklet.

### Step 3

Using the line-by-line instructions, first complete all lines relevant to your return in Sections A, B, and C **on the back of the form**; then complete the front of the return.

### Step 4

When you are finished, attach the appropriate documents to your Delaware return. See "What Documents to Attach" on this page.

### Step 5

**Sign, date, enter your phone number, and send Form 200-01 or Form 200-03 EZ, along with all required attachments to the applicable address listed below.** If the return is prepared by a paid preparer, the paid preparer must also sign the return.

Address to: **State of Delaware  
Division of Revenue**

If <b>Balance Due</b> on Form 200-01 Line 24 or EZ Line 21 use:	P.O. Box 508 Wilmington, DE 19899-0508
If <b>Refund</b> on Form 200-01 Line 25 or EZ Line 22 use:	P.O. Box 8765 Wilmington, DE 19899-8765
If <b>Zero Due</b> on Form 200-01 Line 25 or EZ Line 22 use:	P.O. Box 8711 Wilmington, DE 19899-8711

If necessary, please call our Wilmington office to discuss payment difficulties. Our representatives are available from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday to explain the payment options available.

New Castle County: 577-8208  
Kent and Sussex County: 1-800-292-7826  
Outside Delaware: 1-302-577-8208

### NOTES:

- The return is not complete unless it is signed and dated.
- If filing a joint return or a combined separate return, both spouses must sign the return.
- In order to aid in timely processing of your return, please include a telephone number where you can be reached during normal working hours.
- Each preparer is responsible for including all relevant items about which he/she has information.
- **Separate filers MUST submit their returns in separate envelopes. When doing this, DO NOT include duplicate copies of a spouse's return.**

## What Documents to Attach

Attach the following documents to your Delaware return:

1. W-2 and 1099R Form(s) issued by your employer to take credit for Delaware tax withheld.
2. A copy of all federal Schedules you are required to file with your federal return (for example, Schedule A, B, C, D, etc.).
3. A signed copy of other state's income tax return(s) if you claim a credit for taxes paid to another State. Do NOT use the amount from your W-2 form(s).
4. If you are taking a credit for Child and Dependent Care expenses, also attach a copy of:
  - Federal Form 2441, if you filed Federal Form 1040 or
  - Federal Schedule 2, if you filed Federal Form 1040 A.
5. A copy of Form 1100S, Schedule A-1, if you take a credit for taxes paid by an S Corporation.
6. A copy of Form DE2210, pages 1 and 2, **if you completed Part 3 of the DE2210 or if the calculated Estimated Tax Penalty is greater than zero.**
7. A copy of Form 700, Delaware Income Tax Credit Schedule and Form 1801 AC, if applicable. See page 7 for a description of the Form 700 Credits.

## Members of Armed Forces

While you are stationed in Delaware your military and non-military pay is subject to Delaware state income tax as follows:

Members of the Armed Forces			
Are You a Legal Resident of Delaware?	Delaware Filing Required		
	Military Active Duty Income	Other Income Earned in DE	Other Income Earned in Other States
Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*
No	No	Yes*	No

\*Whether you are stationed in Delaware or not.

## Persons 60 or Over Checklist

If you were 60 years of age or older on 12/31, please review the following items before filing your return:

You are entitled to an additional personal credit of \$110.	Line 9b, Page 7
You may be eligible for the pension exclusion.	Line 32, Page 9
Social Security and Railroad retirement benefits are excluded from Delaware taxable income.	Line 34, Page 10
You may be eligible for an exclusion if your earned income was less than \$2,500.	Line 37, Page 10
If you were 65 years of age or older on 12/31, you are eligible for an additional standard deduction of \$2,500, if you did not itemize.	Line 3, Page 6

**Your state of legal residence** is the same as it was when you entered the Armed Forces unless you voluntarily changed it while in the Armed Forces. For example, if you were a legal resident of Delaware when you entered the Armed Forces, you remain a legal resident of Delaware for Delaware state income tax purposes unless you voluntarily abandoned your Delaware residency and established a new legal domicile in another state.

**If you change your legal residence**, in the year you change, you are a part-year resident of both states. A change in legal residence is documented by filing DD Form 2058 and DD Form 2058-1 with your military personnel office.

**All income of a non-military spouse** is taxed in the state where he or she resides. The year the spouse moves into or out of Delaware, he or she is a part-year resident of Delaware. Using these definitions, when one spouse is a resident of Delaware and the other spouse is a part-year/non-resident, separate returns should be prepared splitting income, personal credits, and deductions as though SEPARATE FEDERAL RETURNS had been filed.

**The following examples illustrate this:**

1. Airman John Green, who is a legal resident of Delaware, was ordered to duty in, and moved his family to, New Jersey. The family has no income other than his military pay. Airman Green will file a federal and Delaware Resident tax return only. A New Jersey state tax return is not required.
2. Sergeant Paul Smith, whose domicile is Ohio and to which he is liable for income taxes, has been on active duty in Delaware for 12 months. Sergeant Smith is married and both he and his wife have non-military income from Delaware. Sergeant Smith will file as a non-resident of Delaware (using Form 200-02 NR) reporting all his income and taking his share of personal credits and deductions as though the Smiths had filed separate federal returns. (Sergeant Smith should contact Ohio for his filing requirements for Ohio.)

Mrs. Smith could file in one of four ways:

- a. If Mrs. Smith was not a full year resident of Delaware, she could file with her husband on a **joint non-resident return**. Depending on the amount of Mrs. Smith's income, it may be more advantageous for her to file **Married filing separately on a non-resident return**.
- b. If Mrs. Smith moved into or out of Delaware during the year, she could **file separately as a resident**, if this is advantageous to her.
- c. If Mrs. Smith was a **full year resident** of Delaware, she is required to **file a resident return** and report all her income to Delaware.

If Mrs. Smith files separately from Sgt. Smith in Delaware, unearned income, personal credits and deductions should be split as though separate federal returns have been filed by Sergeant and Mrs. Smith.

**Requirement to File Estimated Taxes**

Every person who is either a resident of Delaware or has income from Delaware sources may be required to file quarterly Declarations of Estimated Tax to the Delaware Division of Revenue **if the Delaware tax liability less payments and credits can reasonably be expected to exceed \$400.** (See worksheet on this page.)

You may be required to make Estimated tax payments **if you receive Unemployment Compensation, a lump sum distribution or a large bonus at the end of the year.**

Also, you may be required to make Estimated tax payments if you are a Delaware resident and:

- Your employer does not withhold Delaware tax or
- You work in another state whose tax withholding rate is lower than Delaware's.

The estimated tax booklet, containing the worksheet for computing your estimated tax liability and the payment vouchers (Form 200-ES), will be sent after January 15, 2006. If you did not file estimated taxes for 2005 and need estimated tax coupons, call the **Estimated Tax forms voice mailbox at (302) 577-8588** to order them or call toll free 1-800-292-7826 (Delaware only).

**Estimated tax payments may be filed on-line at [www.state.de.us/revenue](http://www.state.de.us/revenue), but you must use a direct debit from your checking or savings account.** If you want to pay by check, you must use the paper Form 200-ES. The paper Form 200-ES cannot be printed from the web page and must be ordered as indicated above.

To estimate your 2006 tax liability prior to receiving the booklet, complete your 2005 return using estimated income and deduction amounts for 2006.

**When to Make Your Estimated Tax Payment**

For estimated tax purposes, the year is divided into four payment periods. Each period has a specific payment due date as indicated below:

For the Period:	The payment due date is:
1/1/06 through 3/31/06	May 1, 2006
4/1/06 through 5/31/06	June 15, 2006
6/1/06 through 8/31/06	September 15, 2006
9/1/06 through 12/31/06	January 16, 2007

For more information concerning estimated taxes or payment voucher and worksheet call (302) 577-8200.

**Estimated Tax Penalty**

You may owe this penalty if the amount you owe (Line 19, Balance Due) is more than 10% of the tax shown on your return (Line 14, Balance).

**Exceptions to the Penalty**

You will not owe the penalty if your 2004 tax return was for a period of 12 full months AND ONE of the following applies:

1. You had no tax liability for 2004 (Line 14), or
2. The total of Line 13 (Total Non-Refundable Credits) and Line 18, (Total Refundable Credits) on your 2005 return equals at

**Who Must File Estimated Taxes for 2006**

To determine if you must pay estimated income tax payments complete the following:

1. Enter the amount of your total estimated tax liability for 2006 (See the tax table or tax rate schedule.) \_\_\_\_\_ 1
2. Enter the amount of your estimated Delaware withholding taxes and other credits for 2006. - \_\_\_\_\_ 2
3. Enter the balance due (Line 1 minus Line 2). = \_\_\_\_\_ 3
4. You DO NOT have to file estimated taxes if:
  - Line 3 is less than \$400, or
  - Line 2 is at least 90% of Line 1, or
  - Line 2 is at least equal to 100% of your total tax liability for 2005. Use 110% of your 2005 tax liability if your 2005 Delaware adjusted gross income exceeded \$150,000, or if you are filing status 3 and your 2005 Delaware adjusted gross income exceeded \$75,000.

least 100% of the tax liability shown on your 2004 return and estimated tax payments for 2005 were made on time. Use 110% of your 2004 tax liability if your 2004 Delaware adjusted gross income exceeded \$150,000, or if you are filing status 3 and your 2004 Delaware adjusted gross income exceeded \$75,000.

3. For Special Rules regarding Farmers and Fishermen and for waivers of the penalty please see the separate Instructions for Form 200-ES and/or Form DE2210.

### Penalties and Interest

#### 1. **Interest – Underpayment or late payment**

The Delaware Code provides that interest on any underpayment or late payment of income taxes due shall accrue at the rate of 1% per month, from the date prescribed for payments to the date paid.

#### 2. **Penalty – Late-filing of balance due return**

The law imposes substantial penalties for failure to file a timely return. Late-filed returns with a balance due are subject to a penalty of 5% per month up to a maximum of 50% of the balance due.

#### 3. **Penalty – Negligence/fraud/substantial understatement**

The law also provides severe penalties for a false or fraudulent return, or for a false certification. The mere fact that the figures you report on your Delaware return are taken from your Federal return will not relieve you from the imposition of penalties for negligence or for filing a false or fraudulent return.

#### 4. **Penalty – Failure to pay**

The law provides a penalty of ½% per month (not to exceed 25%) of the net tax liabilities for failure to pay the tax liability due on a timely filed or late-filed return. This penalty is in addition to the interest charged for late payment.

#### 5. **Penalty – Failure to File/Pay Estimated Taxes**

The law provides a penalty of 1½% per month of the computed tax payment for failure to file/pay estimated taxes due. This penalty is in addition to those penalties and interest listed above. The penalty is also assessed if the estimated payment is filed late.

### Federal Privacy Act Information

Social Security Numbers must be included on your income tax return. The mandatory disclosure of your Social Security Number is authorized by Section 306, Title 30 of the Delaware Code. Such numbers are used primarily to administer and enforce all tax laws, both civil and criminal, for which the Division of Revenue has statutory responsibility.

### Amended Returns

If any changes made to your federal return affect your state income tax liability, you are required to report the change to the Delaware Division of Revenue within ninety (90) days after the final determination of such a change and indicate your agreement with the determination or the grounds of your disagreement. Use Form 200-01-X to change an income tax return you have already filed, and attach a copy of any federal adjustments.

### Rounding Off Dollars

Dollar amounts on your return must be rounded off to the nearest whole dollar. This means that amounts from 50 to 99 cents are increased to the next dollar. For example, \$1.50 becomes \$2.00 and \$1.49 becomes \$1.00.

### Address Change

If you move after you file your return, you should notify the Division of Revenue of your address change. Please be sure to include your and your spouse's Social Security Number(s) in any correspondence with the Division of Revenue, or you may change your address by

calling the **Address Change voice mailbox at (302) 577-8589**. You may also call toll free 1-800-292-7826 (Delaware only).

## FRONT OF FORM 200-01

### Name, Address and Social Security Number

Attach the preprinted label provided with your booklet or postcard to the front of the form in the space provided, *if your name, address, and social security number has NOT changed since last year*. NOTE: To protect your privacy, the number on your label is not your social security number.

DO NOT use the mailing label if your name, address, social security number or marital filing status HAS changed since last year. Print your name(s), address, and social security number(s) in the space provided. If you are married, give names and social security numbers for both you and your spouse whether you file joint or separate returns. If you are a Jr., Sr., II, III, etc., please indicate it in the Jr., Sr., III, block.

**Do not use the label if either the primary taxpayer or spouse is deceased. The surviving spouse information should be entered first under "Your Social Security No. and Your Last Name". The deceased person's data should be entered under "Spouse's Social Security No. and Spouse's Last Name". Also, write DECD after their last name and insert the date of death on Page 2 of the Delaware return.**

### Filing Status

Please indicate your filing status by marking the appropriate box.

#### FILING STATUS 1 – SINGLE TAXPAYER

If you were single on December 31, 2005, consider yourself Single for the whole year and use Filing Status 1.

#### FILING STATUS 2, 3, AND 4 – MARRIED TAXPAYERS

**You may file Joint, Separate, or Combined Separate Delaware returns even if you filed Joint federal returns.** However, if you filed Separate federal returns, you must file Separate Delaware returns. By using Filing Status 4, you are in fact filing two separate returns which have been combined on the same form for convenience.

**NOTE: Generally, separate returns (filing status 3 or 4) will be advantageous if both spouses have a Delaware adjusted gross income in excess of \$9,400.**

**If you elect to use Filing Status 3 or 4, both you and your spouse must compute your taxable income the same way. This means if one itemizes deductions, the other must itemize. If one takes the standard deduction, the other must take the standard deduction in computing taxable income.**

**For Filing Status 3 or 4**, you each report only your own income, personal credits, deductions, and one half of the income derived from securities, bank accounts, real estate, etc., which are titled or registered in joint names.

#### FILING STATUS 5 – HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

If you filed as Head of Household on your federal return or qualify as certain married persons living apart, you may file as Head of Household on your Delaware return.

#### PART-YEAR RESIDENTS

If you were a part-year resident of Delaware in 2005 electing to file as a full-year resident, indicate the dates of your Delaware residency.

### DE 2210 Indicator

Check the "Form DE2210 Attached" box if you have calculated the Underpayment of Estimated taxes **and the Estimated penalty is**

**due OR if you completed Part 3.** Use Form DE2210 to determine if you owe a penalty for the underpayment of estimated tax and to calculate the amount of the penalty.

To obtain Form DE2210, please contact our offices or visit the Division of Revenue website at [www.state.de.us/revenue](http://www.state.de.us/revenue). **Do NOT check this box if a completed DE2210 (Pages 1 and 2) is not being sent with your return. Do NOT submit a Federal Form 2210 instead of a Delaware Form 2210. Do not submit computer worksheets in lieu of Form DE2210.**

## LINE-BY-LINE INSTRUCTIONS

Next, complete the back of this form beginning with Line 26. **Instructions begin on Page 9.** Once the back is completed, return to the front and use the following instructions.

**NOTE:** If you have no Delaware modifications and do not elect to itemize your deductions, you may eliminate completing page 2 of the return and begin on Line 1 of the Delaware return by entering your Federal Adjusted Gross Income from Federal Form 1040, Line 37; 1040A, Line 21; or 1040EZ, Line 4.

### 1 Delaware Adjusted Gross Income

Enter the amount from Line 39 on the back of your Delaware return.

### 2a Standard Deduction

The law allows you to take a standard deduction in lieu of itemizing your deductions. If you elect to take the Delaware STANDARD DEDUCTION, **be sure to check the block on Line 2a** and enter the appropriate amount as listed below:

Delaware Filing Status	Standard Deduction	Enter on Line 2
1	\$3,250	Column B
2	\$6,500	Column B
3	\$3,250	Column B
4	\$3,250	Column A & B
5	\$3,250	Column B

**NOTE:** If you have itemized deductions greater than your allowable Delaware standard deduction, you can itemize deductions on your Delaware return even though you did not itemize deductions on your federal return.

### 2b Itemized Deductions

If you elect to itemize deductions:

- Check the block on Line 2b.**
- Complete Section C, Lines 40 through 45 on the back of your Delaware return.
- Enter the amount from Line 45 on Line 2.
- Attach a copy of Federal Form 1040 Schedule A to your Delaware return.

If you claimed a standard deduction on your federal return, you may still elect to itemize your deductions on the Delaware return. In this case, complete and attach Federal Schedule A, showing the itemized deductions you would have claimed on the federal return.

### 3 Additional Standard Deduction

The additional standard deduction is allowable only for those persons 65 and over OR blind, electing to use the Delaware standard deduction (Line 2a).

**NOTE: If you elect to itemize your deductions, you do not qualify for the additional standard deduction even though you may be 65 years of age or older and/or blind. If you itemize deductions, do not check the "65 or over" box.**

If you qualify for the additional standard deduction:

- Be sure you checked the block on Line 2a to indicate you are using the standard deduction.
- Check the appropriate box(es) relating to age and/or blindness on Line 3.
- Multiply the number of boxes checked on Line 3 by \$2,500 and determine the total (a maximum of \$5,000 per individual).
- If you are filing a combined separate return, enter the amount pertaining to each spouse (boxes checked x \$2,500) in the spouses' respective columns (\$5,000 per spouse age 65 or over and blind; \$2,500 per spouse age 65 and over or blind).
- All other filing statuses should enter the total for both individuals in Column B.

### 6 Tax Liability

If Line 5 is less than \$60,000, use the tax table to compute your tax liability. If line 5 is \$60,000 or greater, use the tax schedule at the end of the tax table to compute your tax liability. Enter your tax liability on Line 6.

### 7 Lump Sum Distribution

This line applies, in the case of someone who is not self-employed, only when the distribution is made:

- Due to the participant's death;
- Due to the participant's separation from employment;
- After the participant had attained age 59 ½.

In the case of a self-employed person, this line applies only when the distribution is made:

- Due to the participant's death;
- After the participant reached age 59 ½.
- The participant was previously disabled.

**This line does not apply when your distribution was:**

- Rolled over;
- An early distribution including an early distribution received for medical, education or housing exclusions;
- Subject to the early withdrawal penalty on line 59 of your federal Form 1040.

Delaware does not impose a penalty for early withdrawal from IRAs and Pension Plans. The law provides for separate tax treatment of lump sum distributions received from qualified pension plans, profit sharing or stock bonus plans. The law provides for ten year averaging of the distribution designated to be taxed as ordinary income. Under this provision, lump sum distributions will be taxed separately as ordinary income in the year of receipt. However, the federal "rollover" provisions apply to this income, so recipients have sixty days in which to invest the proceeds of the lump sum distributions into an IRA or other qualified pension plan without being subjected to tax. Persons receiving a lump sum distribution in 2005 must complete Delaware Form 329 to compute the tax liability on this income. The amount of tax (from Line 16, Form 329) should be placed on Line 7 of the Delaware return. You must attach Form 329 to your return. If you received a lump sum distribution, but did not qualify for or did not elect lump sum averaging on your federal return, you can still use Form 329 for Delaware purposes. See instructions for Line 34 (page 10) to exclude your lump sum distribution from your Delaware Adjusted Gross Income.

### 9a Personal Credits

Enter the total number of personal exemptions claimed on your federal return, multiply by \$110 and enter the total on Line 9a. If you are married and filing a combined separate return (Filing Status 4), split the total between Columns A and B in increments of \$110. **If you are married and filing separate returns (Filing**

**Status 3), allocate exemptions appropriately to each return and multiply by \$110, entering the total for each return in Column B.** All other filing statuses place the total in Column B.

If you were not required to file a federal return, enter \$110 for each spouse reporting income plus \$110 for each person who could have been claimed as a personal exemption had you been required to file a federal return. Allocate the totals for your filing status as described in the paragraph above.

If you filed a federal EZ return, enter \$110 if you filed as single.

**NOTE:** You are not entitled to a Delaware Personal Credit if you are claimed as a dependent on another individual's Federal return. Enter "0" in the space provided on Line 9a.

If you filed the federal return as a married couple filing jointly and have no dependents, enter \$220

- \$110 in each column if Filing Status 4
- \$110 per return if Filing Status 3, or
- \$220 in Column B if Filing Status 2.

Please ensure that the number of personal credits claimed on the Delaware return does not exceed the Federal number of exemptions. This data will be verified with the IRS.

**9b Additional Personal Credits**

If you and/or your spouse were 60 years of age or over on December 31, 2005, check the appropriate box(es), multiply the number of boxes checked by \$110, and enter the total on Line 9b.

If you are filing a combined separate return (Filing Status 4), enter \$110 in the column(s) that correspond to the checked box(es).

**10 Other State Tax Credit**

If you are a resident of Delaware (or elect to be taxed as one) and pay income taxes to another State on income earned in the other State which is also included in your Delaware taxable income, the law allows you a tax credit against your Delaware income tax. **Do not include city wage taxes or county taxes payable with your other State return.** (See Worksheet below.)

If you claim the tax credit, you must **attach to your Delaware return a signed copy of the income tax return filed with the other State(s). In addition, your Delaware return information will be shared with the other State(s) that you claimed the credit for.**

With regard to any credit claimed for taxes paid to another state, the credit is limited to the smallest of the following:

- a. The Delaware tax liability;
- b. The tax liability due and paid, after the application of all credits, to the other state (not including amounts paid on your state return to local jurisdictions). The amount due and paid **is not the amount on your W-2**; or
- c. The amount computed by multiplying the Delaware tax by a fraction, the numerator of which is your adjusted gross income from sources in the other state and the denominator of which is your Delaware Adjusted Gross Income (Line 1).

If the other state income is not included in Delaware Source Income, then the other State tax credit cannot be taken in Delaware for that income.

**NOTE:** Taxes paid to a political subdivision of a state cannot be claimed as credit. The District of Columbia, however, is classified as a "State" for the purpose of this credit and, therefore, can be claimed as credit on Line 10.

**11 Volunteer Firefighter/Other Non-Refundable Credits**

Enter on Line 11 the total of the following credit(s) to which you are entitled:

**Volunteer Firefighter's Credit**

The law allows a credit of \$400 against the income tax liability of Delaware residents who are **active** firefighters, or members of fire company auxiliaries or rescue squads. To qualify for the credit, you must be an active volunteer firefighter on call to fight fires on a regular basis, a member of a fire company auxiliary or active member of an organized rescue squad in a Delaware Volunteer Company. Active status of the members is verified annually by the Division of Revenue with the Volunteer Firefighter Companies. You must enter the Fire Company number where you volunteer on Line 11 in the space provided, to qualify for the credit. Enter the amount of this credit on Line 11, Column A and/or B. Only one \$400 credit may be claimed by each spouse.

**Form 700 Credits**

Any taxpayer claiming any of the following credits should complete Form 700 (available from the Division of Revenue and on our website at [www.state.de.us/revenue](http://www.state.de.us/revenue)) and submit it with their Delaware return.

**Blue Collar.** Certain businesses are eligible for tax credits based on combinations of capital investment and new employment in this state. These credits may be taken on personal income tax returns, in the case of business proprietors, partners in partnerships, or shareholders in S Corporations.

**Green Industry** credits are available for reducing waste release, use of recycled materials, processing of waste materials, and collection and distribution of recycled materials. Only those taxpayers whose eligibility is certified by the Department of Natural Resources and the Delaware Development Office may claim these credits.

**Brownfield** tax credits are available for promoting the rehabilitation of contaminated industrial and commercial sites. Only those taxpayers whose eligibility is certified by the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control may claim these credits.

**Land and Historic Resource Tax Credit.** A business or individual may take an income tax

LINE 10 WORKSHEET. CREDIT FOR TAXES PAID TO ANOTHER STATE		
	Column A	Column B
1. Enter adjusted gross income from the other state return.	_____	_____ 1
2. Delaware adjusted gross income (Line 1 of return).	_____	_____ 2
3. <b>If Line 1 is less than Line 2:</b> divide Line 1 by Line 2 and enter. If Line 1 is greater than Line 2: <b>enter 100%.</b>	_____	_____ 3
4. Enter amount from Line 6, Form 200-01 or Line 8, Form 200-03.	_____	_____ 4
5. Multiply Line 3 by Line 4.	_____	_____ 5
6. Enter taxes paid to other states. (Exclude City Wage and County taxes).	_____	_____ 6
7. Your credit allowance for this state is the smaller of Line 5 or 6. Enter this amount here and on Line 10 of Form 200-01 or Form 200-03.	_____	_____ 7

credit for permanent gifts of land or interest in land to public agencies and qualified private non-profit charitable organizations. The tax credit is based on 40% of the appraised fair market value of the gift. The credit is limited to \$50,000 and cannot exceed the tax due. Unused portions of the \$50,000 credit can be carried forward for up to five (5) consecutive years. Only those taxpayers whose eligibility is certified by the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control may claim this credit. A Division of Revenue approval letter must be attached to your Delaware Return.

**Historic Preservation Tax Credits** are available to Resident Curators and to those persons who work to promote community revitalization and restoration, and the rehabilitation of historic properties. Only those taxpayers whose eligibility is certified by the State Office of Historic Preservation may claim these credits. Approved credits can be claimed after July 1, 2002.

## 12 Child Care Credit

A resident individual is allowed a credit against his/her individual tax in the amount of fifty percent (50%) of the child and dependent care credit allowable for federal income tax purposes. Use the worksheet provided below to compute the amount of the deduction. **The Child Care Credit should not be confused with the Child Tax Credit, which is not an allowable credit on the Delaware return.**

**In the case of a husband and wife who file a joint federal return, but who elect to file separate or combined separate returns for Delaware, the credit may only be applied against the tax imposed on the spouse with the lower taxable income reported on Line 5.**

**NOTE:** You must attach to your Delaware return a copy of Federal:

- Form 2441, if you file Federal Form 1040; or
- Schedule 2, if you file a Federal Form 1040A.

### LINE 12 WORKSHEET. CHILD CARE CREDIT

Enter the total amount from Line 11 of Federal Form 2441, or Line 11 of Schedule 2, Form 1040A (Federal Form and/or Schedule must be attached) and multiply by 50% (.50).

\_\_\_\_\_ x .50 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Enter result on Line 12 of your return.

**Do not enter an amount in excess of \$1,050.**

## 13 Total Non-Refundable Credits

The total of all non-refundable credits (Lines 9a through 12) is limited to the amount of your Delaware tax liability on Line 8.

## 15 Delaware Tax Withheld

Enter the Delaware income tax withheld as shown on your W-2 and/or 1099R Forms in Column A and/or B. **(Do NOT include City Wage Tax.) DO NOT INCLUDE S CORP PAYMENTS.**

## 16 Estimated Tax Payments and Payments with Extensions

Enter on Line 16, Column A and/or B, the total quarterly estimated tax payments for 2005 including any credit carryover from your 2004 return. In order to receive proper credit for fourth quarter estimated tax payments, they must be made by January 17, 2006. Also, enter the amount paid with Form 1027 (Automatic Extension) on this line. **DO NOT INCLUDE S CORP PAYMENTS.**

**If you file a combined separate return (Filing Status 4), you may allocate the estimated tax payments in any manner you wish. All other filing statuses must claim the estimated tax payments**

**under the Social Security Number for which the payments were made.**

## 17 S Corporation Payments

Enter on Line 17, Column A and/or B the Delaware estimated tax payment made on your behalf by an S Corporation. **Attach a copy of the Delaware, Form 1100S, Schedule A-1 reflecting such payment.**

## 21 Contribution to Special Funds

You and/or your spouse may wish to contribute to any/all of the worthwhile funds listed on page 13. Enter the amount of your donation on the line provided next to the designated fund(s) of your choice. **Enter the total amount donated on Line 21.** The minimum amount for a donation is \$1.

If you are not due a refund and you wish to make a contribution, you may do so. Include the total amount of your donation with the balance due.

## 22 Carryover to 2006 Estimated Tax Account

If you are using Filing Status 1, 2, 3 or 5, and wish to apply a portion of your overpayment to your 2006 Estimated Tax Account, enter on Line 22 the portion of your overpayment (Line 20) to be applied. If you use Filing Status 4, enter on Line 22 the portion of your net overpayment (Line 20, Column A and B, less Line 19, Column A and B) to be applied.

**NOTE:** Any amount entered on Line 22 will reduce the amount of overpayment refunded to you.

## 23 Penalties and Interest Due

You may choose to compute the amount of penalties and interest due or you may leave Line 23 blank and the Division of Revenue will calculate the amount for you and send you a bill. Penalties may be assessed for filing a balance due return late, failure to pay the tax liability due, fraud, negligence and failure to pay estimated taxes. (See page 5 for a description of the penalties and interest.)

If you have calculated the underpayment of Estimated taxes using Form DE2210 **and an Estimated penalty is due OR if you completed Part 3**, check the "Form DE2210 Attached" box at the top of your return and submit pages 1 and 2 of the form with your return. **Do not submit computer worksheets in lieu of Form DE2210. Checking the box without including a Form DE2210 will unnecessarily delay the processing of your return. A submitted DE2210 will not be processed automatically unless the box is checked.**

## 24 Net Balance Due

If you are using Filing Status 1, 2, 3 or 5, enter the amount of the net balance due (Line 19 plus Lines 21 and 23) and pay in full. If you are married using Filing Status 4, enter the total balance due (Line 19, Column A and B, less Line 20, Column A and B, plus Lines 21 and 23) and pay in full. Make the check payable to: Delaware Division of Revenue.

## 25 Net Refund

If you are using Filing Status 1, 2, 3 or 5, enter the amount of the total refund (Line 20 less amounts on Line 21 and/or Line 22 and Line 23) to be refunded to you. If you are using Filing Status 4, enter the total net refund (Line 20, Column A and B, less Line 19, Column A and B, less amounts on Line 21 and/or Line 22 and Line 23) to be refunded to you. If you do not have a balance due or a refund due, enter "0" on Line 25.

**26 Federal Adjusted Gross Income**

If you are using filing status 1, 2 or 5, enter your Federal Adjusted Gross Income from Federal Form 1040, Line 37; 1040A, Line 21; 1040EZ, Line 4 into Column B. If you were not required to file a federal return, fill out one of the mentioned federal forms to determine your federal adjusted gross income. If you are using Filing Status 3 or 4, use the worksheet on this page to assist in separating income, losses and deductions between spouses.

**27 Interest on State and Local Obligations other than Delaware**

Interest you received from any obligations of States other than Delaware or their political subdivisions, is taxable and must be added on Line 27. Examples of **interest that is taxable**:

- Interest received on Pennsylvania Turnpike Bonds.
- Mutual fund dividends not included on Line 26 that are attributable to interest on state or local obligations (minus those attributable to the State of Delaware and its authorities and political subdivisions – provided the mutual fund reports that amount to you in writing).

**28 Fiduciary Adjustments, Oil Percentage Depletion**

**Fiduciary Adjustments**

Net additions from fiduciary adjustments derived from income received from an estate or trust as shown on Federal Form K-1,

Beneficiary's Share of Federal Income and Deductions, should be included on Line 28.

The law provides for the disallowance of any percentage depletion deduction allowable under federal law, to the extent it is in excess of cost depletion. Add the excess to the amount of fiduciary adjustments and enter the total on Line 28.

**31 U.S. Obligations**

Interest received on obligations of the United States, and included on your federal tax return, is exempt from Delaware tax and should be entered on Line 31. Failure to identify the payor on Federal Schedule B or Federal Form 1040A Schedule 1 will result in the disallowance of the deduction. Interest received on obligations for which the United States is NOT the primary obligor or which are NOT guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States is not exempt from tax and may not be entered on Line 31. (Examples are shown in the table below.)

<b>LINE 31 EXAMPLES. INTEREST RECEIVED ON U.S. OBLIGATIONS</b>	
<b>Examples of INTEREST THAT IS EXEMPT</b>	<b>Examples of INTEREST THAT IS NOT EXEMPT</b>
U.S. Treasury Bill, Bonds (Series E, F, G, H), Certificates, Notes	Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Maes)
Export Import Bank	Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp.
Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.	Government National Mortgage Association (Ginnie Maes)
Federal Farm Credit Bank	International Bank of Reconstruction and Development
Federal Intermediate Credit Banks	
Federal Land Banks	
Tennessee Valley Authority	
Mutual Fund Dividends (Dollar amount or percentage directly attributed to a U.S. obligation, provided the Mutual Fund reports that amount to you.)	Student Loan Marketing Association (Sallie Maes)

**32 Pension Exclusion**

Amounts received as pensions from employers (including pensions of a deceased taxpayer) may qualify for an exclusion from Delaware taxable income, subject to the limitations described on the next page.

<b>LINE 26 WORKSHEET. ALLOCATION OF SPOUSES' FEDERAL ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME (Filing Status 3 and 4 Only)</b>						
		<b>Federal</b>	<b>Spouse</b>	<b>Yourself</b>		
1.	Wages, salaries, tips, etc.....	1.	00	00	00	1.
2.	Interest.....	2.	00	00	00	2.
3.	Dividends.....	3.	00	00	00	3.
4.	Taxable refunds, credits or offsets of state and local income taxes.....	4.	00	00	00	4.
5.	Alimony received.....	5.	00	00	00	5.
6.	Business income or (loss).....	6.	00	00	00	6.
7a.	Capital gain or (loss).....	7a.	00	00	00	7a.
7b.	Other gains or (losses).....	7b.	00	00	00	7b.
8.	IRA distributions.....	8.	00	00	00	8.
9.	Taxable pensions and annuities.....	9.	00	00	00	9.
10.	Rents, royalties, partnerships, s-corps, estates, trusts, etc.....	10.	00	00	00	10.
11.	Farm income or (loss).....	11.	00	00	00	11.
12.	Unemployment compensation (insurance).....	12.	00	00	00	12.
13.	Taxable social security benefits.....	13.	00	00	00	13.
14.	Other income .....	14.	00	00	00	14.
15.	Total income. Add Lines 1 through 14.....	15.	00	00	00	15.
16.	Total Federal Adjustments (Federal Form 1040, Line 36 or 1040A, Line 20).....	16.	00	00	00	16.
17.	Federal Adjusted Gross Income. Subtract Line 16 from Line 15. Enter on page 2, Line 26, columns A and B of your Delaware return.....	17.	00	00	00	17.

An early distribution from an IRA or Pension fund due to emergency reasons or due to separation from employment does not qualify for the pension exclusion. If you were assessed the additional 10% federal tax on the early distribution, then that amount does not qualify for the pension exclusion.

**NOTE:** Each taxpayer may receive ONLY ONE exclusion, even if he or she is receiving more than one pension or other retirement distribution. A husband and wife who each receive pensions are entitled to one exclusion each.

**IF YOU WERE UNDER 60 on December 31, 2005, your exclusion equals \$2,000 or the amount of your pension, whichever is less.**

**IF YOU WERE 60 OR OVER** on December 31, 2005, your exclusion is determined as follows:

1. Amount of pension.....	\$ _____
2. Amount of "eligible retirement income" (See definition).....	\$ _____
3. Total (add Lines 1 and 2).....	\$ _____
4. Enter Line 3 or \$12,500, whichever is less here and on Line 32.....	\$ _____

**Eligible retirement income** includes dividends, capital gains, interest, net rental income from real property and qualified retirement plans (IRC Sec. 4974), such as IRA, 401(K), Keogh plans, and government deferred compensation plans (IRC Sec. 457).

Disability pension income paid by your employer is reported as wages on the federal return, until you reach the minimum retirement age. Minimum retirement age generally is the age at which you can first receive a pension or annuity if you are not disabled. Therefore, Disability pension income would not qualify for the pension exclusion.

**Pension Exclusion Example:** The primary taxpayer received \$10,000 in pension income. The secondary taxpayer received no pension income. The taxpayers had joint bank accounts and mutual fund accounts. They earned \$5,000 in interest from the bank, \$1,000 in dividends and \$3,000 in capital gains. These accounts would be split equally between the two taxpayers. Both taxpayers, in this example, are over 60 years old. The primary taxpayer's exclusion is \$12,500 (10,000 + 2,500 + 500 + 1,500 = 14,500). The maximum exclusion for the primary taxpayer is \$12,500. The secondary taxpayer's exclusion is \$4,500 (2,500 + 500 + 1,500 = 4,500). The secondary taxpayer cannot include in the pension exclusion calculation the amount by which the primary taxpayer exceeded the \$12,500 maximum exclusion.

Please remember to enclose the 1099R Forms and other supporting schedules to support your pension exclusion.

**33 Delaware State Tax Refund**  
 Delaware state tax refunds may be excluded to the extent they are included in federal adjusted gross income.

**Lottery Winnings**  
 Delaware Lottery, Power Ball, and Delaware Lottery Video winnings are not included in Delaware taxable income. Lottery winnings from States other than Delaware are taxable and cannot be entered on this line.

**Gambling Losses**  
 Wagering losses can be deducted only to the extent of wagering gains. Under some circumstances Delaware Lottery Winnings may exceed the amount of net wagering gain subject to federal tax. The amount of subtraction is therefore limited to the lesser of:

- a. The difference between the amount of net gambling winnings included in federal adjusted gross income and the amount of gambling losses allowable in determining federal itemized deductions; or
- b. The amount of gain from Delaware Lottery winnings.  
 Enter the lesser amount on Line 33.

**Fiduciary Adjustment**  
 Net subtractions from fiduciary adjustments derived from income received from an estate or trust, as shown on your Federal Form K-1, Beneficiary's Share of Income and Deductions, should be included on Line 33.

**Work Opportunity Credit**  
 The law allows a deduction for the portion of wages paid but disallowed as a deduction for federal tax purposes by reason of claiming the work opportunity credit on the federal return. That portion of the deduction for wages, which is disallowed for federal purposes, should be entered on Line 33. In order to claim this modification, you must attach Federal Form 5884.

**Travelink Program**  
 You may enter on this line any income you received by virtue of your employer's providing or subsidizing a vehicle for your commuting to and from work, provided:

1. Your employer is an approved participant in the Department of Transportation Travelink Program; and
2. The amount you are subtracting on this line was included in the total income on Line 26.

**Delaware Net Operating Loss Carryovers**  
 Taxpayers who were prevented in previous years from carrying federal net operating losses to their Delaware returns (because of Delaware's \$30,000 limit on net operating loss carrybacks) are permitted to carry these additional losses forward on their Delaware return in years following the loss year.

**34 Social Security/Railroad Retirement Benefits**  
 Social Security and Railroad Retirement benefits are not taxable in Delaware and, therefore, should not be included in taxable income. Enter on Line 34 the total of any taxable payments included on Line 26.

**Higher Education**  
 Distributions received from qualified retirement plans (IRC Sec. 4974, including IRAs), cash or deferred arrangements (such as 401(k) plans) and government deferred compensation plans (IRC Sec. 457) may be excluded from Delaware adjusted gross income to the extent they are used in the same tax year to pay for books, tuition or fees at an institution of higher education attended by the taxpayer or by his or her dependents who have NOT attained the age of 26 by December 31, 2005; and as long as such amounts have been included in federal adjusted gross income.

**Certain Lump Sum Distributions**  
 Enter on Line 34 the amount, if any, of lump sum distributions included in federal adjusted gross income which you used Form 329 to calculate the tax on Line 7.

**36 Subtotal**  
 This line is used in the calculation of the 60 or Over OR Disabled credit.

**37 Persons 60 or Over OR Disabled**  
 The law provides for exclusions from gross income to persons who meet certain qualifications. Please refer to the Line 37 worksheet on the next page.

**LINE 37 WORKSHEET. PERSONS 60 OR OVER OR DISABLED**

Single or married filing separate returns	Y	N	Joint Returns	Y	N
Were you at least 60 years old or totally and permanently disabled on 12/31/2005?			Were <b>both</b> spouses at least 60 years old or totally and permanently disabled on 12/31/2005?		
Did your earned income (i.e., wages, tips, farm or business income) total less than \$2,500?			Is combined earned income (i.e., wages, tips, farm or business income) less than \$5,000?		
Is Line 36 \$10,000 or less?			Is Line 36 \$20,000 or less?		

If you answered YES to all, Enter \$2,000 on Line 37

If you answered YES to all, Enter \$4,000 on Line 37

**NOTE:** If you are filing a joint return and only one spouse qualifies for this exclusion, you should consider filing separate returns (Filing Status 3 or 4).

**Itemized Deductions**

If you elect to itemize deductions, complete Section C, Lines 40-45, to determine the amount of itemized deductions which you may claim on your Delaware return; otherwise, you may skip this section.

**NOTE:** If you claimed a standard deduction on your federal return, you may still elect to itemize your deductions on the Delaware return. In this case, complete and attach a Federal Schedule A showing the itemized deductions you would have claimed on the federal return.

NOTE: You cannot deduct the cost of taking a bus or driving a car between your home and your regular place of work as an Itemized Deduction on Schedule A. You cannot deduct commuting expenses no matter how far your home is from your regular place of work.

Do not enter motor vehicle title or transfer fees as personal property tax. They do not qualify.

**40 Itemized Deductions From Schedule A**

Enter on Line 40 the total amount of itemized deductions as shown on Line 28, Federal Schedule A.

If you are filing a joint federal return and separate Delaware returns, the deductions must be determined as if each spouse had filed separate federal returns.

If you are unable to specifically allocate deductions between spouses, prorate the deductions based on the ratio of your separate incomes to total joint income. For example, if one spouse earns 60% of the household income and the other earns 40%, designate 60% of the deductions to the spouse earning 60% of the household income and 40% of the deductions to the spouse earning 40% of the household income.

**41 Foreign Taxes Paid**

If you elected the Foreign Tax Credit on your federal return, your federal itemized deductions, allowed as Delaware itemized deductions, will be increased by the amount of foreign taxes actually paid. Foreign taxes accrued, but not paid, are not allowed as an addition on Line 41. On Line 41, enter the amount of foreign taxes paid included on Line 8 of Federal Form 1116. If you were not required to file Federal Form 1116, enter on line 41 the amount of foreign tax paid.

**42 Charitable Mileage Deduction**

If you used your automobile to perform a voluntary service for a charitable organization, you may increase your itemized deductions as follows:

Miles driven 1/1/05–12/31/05 \_\_\_\_\_ x .17 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(enter this amount on Line 42.)

**44a State Income Tax**

Enter the amount of (1) Delaware state income taxes claimed in your federal itemized deductions plus (2) any taxes imposed and paid to another State that are included in your federal itemized deductions and claimed as a credit on Line 10 of this form. For example, if you had \$1,000 of taxes withheld in another state, but the tax liability to the other state was \$700, you should only include \$700 on Line 44a, except as noted below.

**Exception:** If your level of adjusted gross income caused a reduction (limitation) of your federal itemized deductions, only enter on Line 44a the percentage of state income tax that was included in your federal itemized deductions which represents the same ratio as allowable federal itemized deductions is to total itemized deductions before the reduction. For example, if total state income taxes is \$500 and total federal itemized deductions is \$10,000 but is limited to \$9,000 due to the federal reduction rules (90% of your itemized deductions were allowed), you need enter only \$450 (90%) of the state taxes on Line 44a.

**NOTE:** Local taxes included in your federal itemized deductions should not be included on Line 44a. Also, state taxes paid to another state for which you will not claim a credit on Line 10 of your Delaware return should not be included on Line 44a.

**44b Form 700 Tax Credits**

Enter the amount of the charitable contribution claimed in your federal itemized deductions **for permanent gifts of land, or interest in land, to public agencies and qualified private non-profit charitable organizations** and any investment in Neighborhood Assistance for which you claimed a tax credit from Form 700 on Line 11 of your Delaware return. **Form 1801 AC and the Division of Revenue approval letter must be attached to your return.**

**45 Total Itemized Deductions**

Subtract Line 44a and 44b from Line 43 and enter the results on Line 45 and on Line 2 of your Delaware return. Make sure you have checked the block on Line 2b to indicate that you are electing to itemize your deductions.

Always compare the results of Line 45 to the standard deduction; you may benefit from using the standard deduction and from any allowable additional standard deductions.

## Section D

### Direct Deposit of Refund

Complete Section D if you want us to directly deposit the amount shown on Line 25, Form 200-01 or Line 22, Form 200-03 into your bank account.

### Why Use Direct Deposit?

- You get your refund fast – even faster if you file through the internet.
- Payment is more secure – there is no check to get lost.
- More convenient. No trip to the bank to deposit your check.

You can check with your financial institution to make sure your deposit will be accepted and to get the correct routing and account numbers.

### Line a – Routing Number

**The routing number must be nine digits. The first two digits must be 01 through 12 or 21 through 32. Otherwise, the direct deposit will be rejected and a check sent instead.** On the sample check on this page, the routing number is 031100000.

Your check may state that it is payable through a bank different from the financial institution at which you have your checking account. If so, do not use the routing number on that check. Instead, contact your financial institution for the correct routing number to enter on this line.

### Line b – Type

Please check the type of account: checking or savings.

### Line c – Account Number

The account number can be up to 17 characters (both numbers and letters). Include hyphens but omit spaces and special symbols. Enter the number from left to right and leave any unused boxes blank. On the sample check on this page, the account number is 12340818. Be sure not to include the check number.

**NOTE:** Some financial institutions will not allow a joint refund to be deposited into an individual account. The Delaware Division of Revenue is not responsible if a financial institution refuses a direct deposit.

**NOTE: If your refund is adjusted by \$10.00 or more, a paper check will be issued and mailed to the address on your return.**

### SAMPLE CHECK:

**JOHN J. MARTIN**  
**JANE A. MARTIN**  
428 Spring Street  
Our Town, DE 19000

Pay to the  
Order of \_\_\_\_\_

Routing number (Line a) \_\_\_\_\_

Account number (Line c) \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Dollars

First Bank of Delaware  
Our Town, DE 19000

Do not include Check number

031100000    12340818    0621

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15-0000350000

\_\_\_\_\_, 2005

### Deceased

Do not use the label if either the primary taxpayer or spouse is deceased. The surviving spouse information should be entered first under "Your Social Security No. and Your Last Name". The deceased person's data should be entered under "Spouse's Social Security No. and Spouse's Last Name". Also, write DECD after their last name on page 1 and insert the date of death on page 2.

### Signature

Please review your tax return before you sign it. Complete the return to the bottom of Page 1 to ensure you receive all credits and exclusions.

### Paid Preparer

Please complete all the fields in the Paid Preparer section.