

Corporate Taxprep®

Frequently Asked Questions

2015 Versions

Client filter and customized diagnostic templates now offered with the Frequently Asked Questions

To assist you in identifying clients that could be affected by the described subjects, a downloadable client filter and customized diagnostic template is now associated with certain questions. These templates allow you to display a diagnostic in the returns that have tax situations that were the subject of an FAQ and provide access to a list of clients affected by the problems described.

Installing the client filter and diagnostic template

To find the predefined folder for customized client filters or diagnostics, proceed as follows:

1. Launch *Taxprep*.
2. On the **Tools** menu, click **Options and Settings**.
3. Under **Options**, click **File Locations**.
4. Verify the predefined location for the filters and diagnostics. After the installation, the default location is usually the following: **My Documents\CCH\T2 Taxprep 2015-x\Filter and Diagnostics**.
5. Copy the downloaded file to this location.
The client filter will be available in the Client Manager, while the diagnostic will display in the relevant returns.

Publication	Subject/Question	Affected Version	Identifier (to download the client filter and diagnostic template, if applicable)
January 2016	Electronic filing with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) - Using a Web Access Code (WAC)	Version 2015 2.0	FT22015-004
January 2016	CO-17 bar code returns filed with version 2015 2.0	Version 2015 2.0	FT22015-003
September 2015	Electronic filing with the federal government - Returns filed in EDI format using versions prior to Corporate Taxprep 2009 v.1.0	Version 2008 2.0 and previous versions	FT22015-002

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June 2015	CO-17.A.1, Net Income for Income Tax Purposes (Jump Code: Q1) - Amount calculated on line 54 and implementation of Form CO-17.B, Adjustment of Income from One or More Partnerships (Jump Code: CO17B)	Version 2015 1.1	FT22015-001
February 2015	InfoConnect functionality	Version 2014 2.0	FT22014-025
October 2014	Filing of the annual updating declaration with the Registraire des entreprises du Québec, and registration fee exemption	Version 2014 1.0 and later	FT22014-023
May 2014	Schedule 88 - Internet Business Activities (Jump Code: 88) - Filing the form	Version 2014 1.0 and later	FT22014-022
February 2014	EFILE CO-17 - Error code 13965 and Corporate Taxprep versions that can be used for electronic filing with "Clic Revenu" or "NetFile Québec"	Version 2013 2.0 and later	FT22014-021
June 2013	Tracking the transitional relief for joint ventures that made the election to benefit from this relief as a result of the elimination of the separate fiscal period	Version 2013 1.0 and later	FT22014-020
June 2013	Schedule 71, Income Inclusion for Corporations that Are Members of Single-Tier Partnerships (Jump Code: 71), and Schedule 72, Income Inclusion for Corporations that Are Members of Multi-Tier Partnerships (Jump Code: 72) - Current fiscal period of the partnership	Version 2013 1.0 and later	FT22014-019
January 2013	Internet filing of Québec tax return prepared by tax preparers	Version 2012 2.0 and later	FT22014-017

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February 2012	CO-1136, Calculation of Paid-Up Capital (Jump Code: 1136) - Filing of the form	Version 2011 2.0 and later	FT22014-016
January 2011	Electronic Filing and balance payment	Version 2010 2.0 and later	FT22014-015
January 2011	Electronic Filing and balance payment	Version 2010 2.0 and later	FT22014-014
January 2011	Electronic Filing and balance payment	Version 2010 2.0 and later	FT22014-013
June 2010	Notes, Notes to the Financial Statements (Jump Code: NOTES) - Diagnostic N11	Version 2010 1.0 and later	FT22014-012
Before 2010	T661, Scientific Research and Experimental Development (SR&ED) Expenditures Claim (Jump Code: 661) - Calculations of line 429b and 429b2	Versions 2009 and later	FT22014-011
Before 2010	T661, Scientific Research and Experimental Development (SR&ED) Expenditures Claim (Jump Code: 661) Part 2, Project information (Jump Code: 661 PART 2)	Versions 2009 and later	FT22014-010
Before 2010	Schedule 141, Notes Checklist (Jump Code: G141) - Parts 1 and 4	Versions 2009 and later	FT22014-009
Before 2010	Dividends Received from Foreign Non-Affiliated Corporations	Versions 2009 and later	FT22014-008
Before 2010	Schedule 13, Continuity of reserves (Jump Code: 13) - Section "Financial statement reserves (not deductible) (federal)"	Versions 2009 and later	FT22014-007
Before 2010	Schedule 24, question 100, type of operation that applies to the corporation	Versions 2009 and later	FT22014-006

Publication	Subject/Question	Affected Version	Identifier (to download the client filter and diagnostic template, if applicable)
Before 2010	Returns Filed Without a Business Number (BN)	Versions 2009 and later	FT22014-005
Before 2010	Québec Returns Filed Without an Identification Number	Versions 2009 and later	FT22014-004
Before 2010	Schedule 546, Corporations Information Act Annual Return for Ontario Corporations (Jump Code: 546) - Schedule filing	Versions 2009 and later	FT22014-003
Before 2010	GIFI - Non-resident Corporations	Versions 2009 and later	FT22014-002

Federal

Question FT22015-004

Electronic filing with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) - Using a Web Access Code (WAC)

QUESTION:

How can I use a WAC to electronically file T2 returns with the CRA?

ANSWER:

To electronically file a T2 return using a WAC, follow the steps below:

1. In version 2014 1.0 and future versions of *Corporate Taxprep*, you can use Form *Online Request to Get a Web Access Code* (Jump Code: **WAC**) directly in the software. To get a WAC, click the **Get WAC** button in this form. The program will then transmit the information displayed in the form, and the WAC will display on the line *Corporation's Web Access Code (WAC)* once the information is validated by the CRA.

Online Request to Get a Web Access Code

This form is used to make an online request with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) to get a Web Access Code (WAC).

A Web Access Code is required for the corporation that wants to file its corporate tax return using the Corporation Internet Filing service.

Business Number (BN)	11111 1118 RC0001
Taxation year end	2015-12-31
Date of incorporation/Date of amalgamation	1999-10-10
Postal code/Zip code of mailing address	A0A0A0
Last name of authorized signing officer	Last Name
First name of authorized signing officer	First Name
Position, office, or rank of the authorized signing officer	Position

To get a Web Access Code online with the CRA, click the **Get WAC** button.
(All fields in the form, except for the "Web Access Code" field, must be completed.)

Corporation's Web Access Code (WAC) 69801016

Get WAC

Note that if the WAC form contains all of the information required to get a WAC and you want to get a WAC to file one or more returns, you can request a WAC in a single step when filing the applicable returns via the Internet by clicking the **Get WAC** button in the **Transmit** dialog box.

Transmit

Selection of returns to transmit

Client	Federal	Alberta	Québec
Corporation A	☒ Eligible	☐ Not applica	☐ Not eligible

Federal (CIF)

☐ EFILE Number

☒ WAC

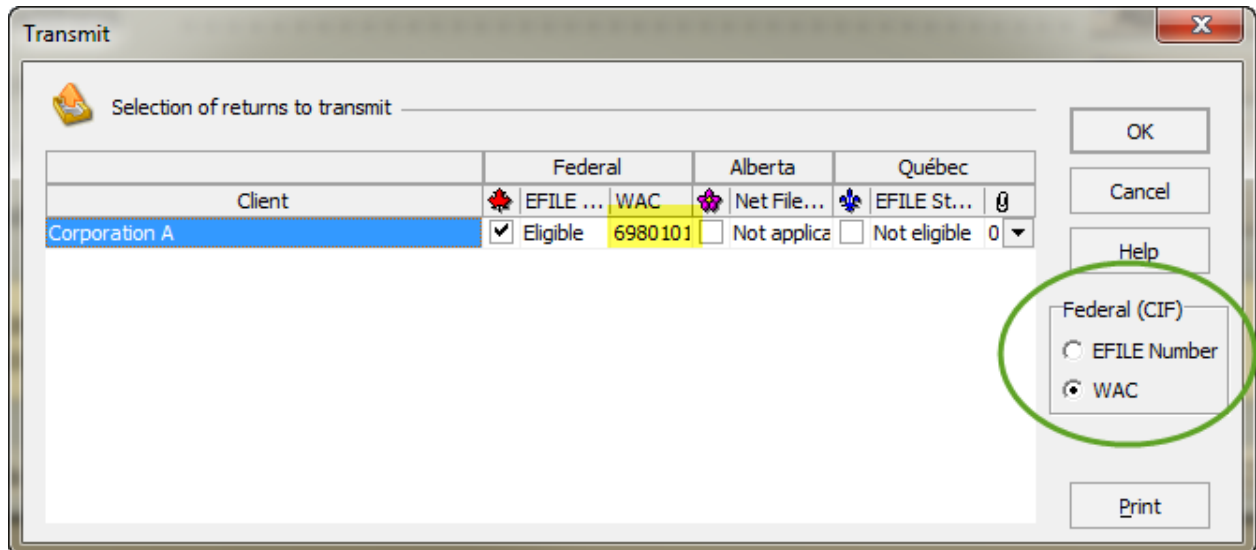
Federal

One or more WACs are missing for transmission of the selected returns.
To get a WAC online from the CRA, click the **Get WAC** button.

Get WAC

OK, Cancel, Help, Print

- Then, in the **Transmission** menu, click **Federal/Alberta/Québec** to display the **Transmit** dialog box. The program will prompt you to save the return before continuing if you have not already done so after getting the WAC. You have to manually select "WAC" by choosing the option box in the right portion of the **Transmit** dialog box to use the WAC and not the EFILE number. The WAC is selected for filing when the number is shown in the WAC column.



3. Finally, click **OK** in order to electronically file the T2 return.

If you are using a version prior to *Corporate Taxprep* 2014 v.1.0 or if you do not want to use the WAC form, you can obtain a WAC from the CRA online or by phone (consult the page <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/esrvc-srvce/rf/cd-eng.html> for more information). You will then need to enter the number obtained in the **WAC** column of the **Transmit** dialog box.

Because a WAC number is unique to each corporation, each tax year end and each transmission, you will have to use the above-described procedure for each T2 return that you want to electronically file with the CRA.

Question FT22015-002

Electronic filing with the federal government - Returns filed in EDI format using versions prior to *Corporate Taxprep* 2009 v.1.0

QUESTION

Is it true that beginning in October 2015, the Canada Revenue Agency's (CRA) Corporation Internet Filing (CIF) page will no longer accept the T2 returns filed in EDI format?

ANSWER

Yes. Beginning on October 19, 2015, the CRA's Corporation Internet Filing (CIF) page will no longer accept T2 returns filed in EDI format. This format has been replaced in 2009, but the CIF page continued accepting returns in EDI format.

Corporate Taxprep was using the EDI format for the electronic transmission of returns until version 2008 2.0 inclusively. Therefore, beginning on October 19, 2015, the CRA's CIF page will reject returns transmitted using versions prior to *Corporate Taxprep* 2009 v.1.0 by issuing message no. 40: "We no longer accept returns in the format of the attached file. Please file your return on paper."

However, you will be able to use *Corporate Taxprep* 2009 v.1.0 and later versions to electronically file returns whose taxation year start and end dates are supported.

If this solution is impossible, you will have to print the bar codes and file them with CRA in paper version.

Question FT22014-022

Schedule 88 - Internet Business Activities (Jump Code: 88) - Filing the form**QUESTION**

When does a corporation that earned income on the Internet have to file Schedule 88 with its T2 return?

ANSWER

The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) has extended the filing date for Schedule 88.

According to the CRA's latest guidelines, if the corporation earns income from one or more Web pages or Web sites, you are required to file the new Schedule 88, *Internet Business Activities* along with your corporation income tax return (T2) for tax years where your filing due date is **after December 31, 2014**.

When Schedule 88 is applicable, data it contains will be included in the *T2 - Bar Codes* return and in the transmission file.

For more information on Schedule 88, please visit the Web page "Reporting Internet business activities" of the CRA Web site at: <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/tx/bsnss/tpcs/cmm/ncm/wbncm-eng.html>.

Question FT22014-020

Tracking the transitional relief for joint ventures that made the election to benefit from this relief as a result of the elimination of the separate fiscal period**QUESTION**

How do I keep track of the transitional relief for joint ventures that made the election to benefit from this relief?

ANSWER

The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) indicated that the reserve claimed has to be reported on line *Other tax reserves* in Schedule 13, *Continuity of Reserves* (Jump Code: 13). For more details, consult the CRA Web site at: (<http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/tx/bsnss/tpcs/crprtns/dfrrl/jntvntr-eng.html>).

Part 2 – Other reserves					
Description	Balance at the beginning of the year \$	Transfer on an amalgamation or the wind-up of a subsidiary \$	Add \$	Deduct \$	Balance at the end of the year \$
Other tax reserves ☐	230 0	235 0	0	0	240 0

In addition, to calculate this transitional reserve, you must make your calculations on a separate worksheet. Under no circumstances should you file Schedules 71 (Jump Code: 71), 72 (Jump Code: 72) or 73 (Jump Code: 73) for joint ventures. These schedules are for the sole use of partnerships.

Question FT22014-019

Schedule 71, Income Inclusion for Corporations that Are Members of Single-Tier Partnerships (Jump Code: 71), and Schedule 72, Income Inclusion for Corporations that Are Members of Multi-Tier Partnerships (Jump Code: 72) - Current fiscal period of the partnership

QUESTION

In the calculation of the Adjusted Stub Period Accrual in Part 3 of Schedule 71 and/or Schedule 72, why is the number of days in the stub period calculated by *Taxprep* greater than the number of days in the fiscal period(s) of the partnership that end in the corporation's taxation year?

ANSWER

As noted in the *Troubleshooting Memo of Corporate Taxprep 2012 v.2.0* issued in January 2013, the CRA has indicated that the current fiscal period of the partnership to be entered in Part 1 of Schedule 71 and/or Schedule 72 should be the fiscal period that **starts** in the corporation's taxation year and that **ends** after the end of the corporation's taxation year. The calculations in Schedules 71 and 72 of *Corporate Taxprep 2013 v.1.0* were adjusted to reflect this requirement.

Part 1 – Partnership information

Partnership's name

Partnership's account number¹

1. Partnership's account number must include letters RZ.
If the partnership does not have an account number, enter "NR" to indicate that the partnership is not registered.

Did the partnership elect to change its fiscal period-end? 1 Yes ☐ 2 No ☒

If **yes**, give the dates of both the old and current fiscal periods of the partnership.

Old fiscal period	Fiscal period-start Year Month Day 	Fiscal period-end Year Month Day
Current fiscal period	Fiscal period-start Year Month Day 	Fiscal period-end Year Month Day

If **no**, give the start and end dates of the current fiscal period of the partnership.

Select the box that corresponds to the first year for which the filing corporation was eligible for transitional relief (transitional reserve) 2011 ☐ 2012 ☐ 2013 ☐

If the current fiscal period of the partnership shown in Part 1 is the fiscal period that ends in the corporation's taxation year, instead of the fiscal period that starts in the corporation's taxation year and that ends after the end of that same taxation year, the number of days in the stub period will be calculated incorrectly. Ensure that the appropriate current fiscal period is entered in Part 1 in order for the correct calculation to be performed in Part 3, which relates to the Adjusted Stub Period Accrual.

If an Alberta and/or a Québec copy have been created for Schedule 71 and/or Schedule 72, you will have to make the same modifications in those copies as was made in the federal copy.

Question FT22014-015

Electronic Filing and balance payment

QUESTION

How can I pay the balance due when I electronically file a corporate tax return?

ANSWER

We invite you to consult the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) Web site at the following address to become familiar with the different methods to pay a balance due when a return is electronically filed with the federal government:

www.cra.gc.ca/tx/bsnss/tpcs/crprtns/pymnts/mthds/menu-eng.html.

If you electronically file a CO-17 return, we invite you to consult the *Revenu Québec* Web site at the following address to become familiar with the different methods to pay a balance due

when a return is electronically filed with the Québec government:

http://www.revenuquebec.ca/en/entreprise/impot/societes/declaration/prod_ordi/trans_electronique/paiement_remboursement.aspx.

If you electronically file an AT1 return, we invite you to consult the *Alberta Treasury Board and Finance* Web site at the following address to become familiar with the different methods to pay a balance due when a return is electronically filed with the Alberta government:

http://www.finance.alberta.ca/publications/tax_rebates/making-payments.html#epay.

Question FT22014-012

Notes, Notes to the Financial Statements (Jump Code: NOTES) - Diagnostic N11

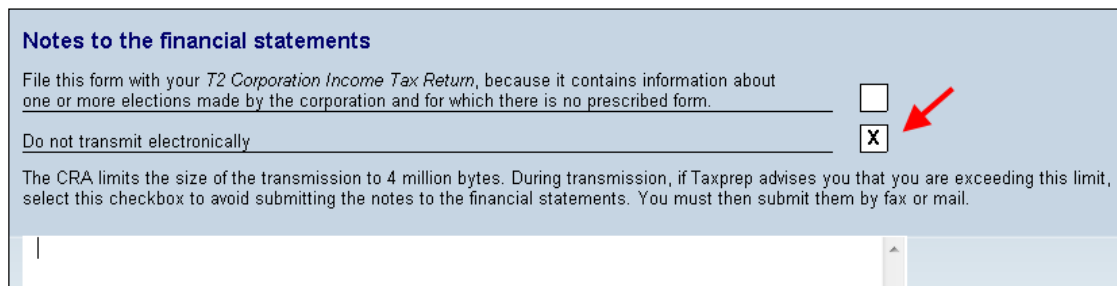
QUESTION

How can I clear the diagnostic N11 when I am not transmitting electronically the notes to the financial statements with the Notes form?

N11 - Schedule 141 - The return has been selected for Corporation Internet Filing and you have answered "Y" to the question on line 141101. However, there are no notes in the GIFI Notes form.

ANSWER

In the Notes form, select the box **Do not transmit electronically**.



Question FT22014-011

T661, Scientific Research and Experimental Development (SR&ED) Expenditures Claim (Jump Code: 661) - Calculations of line 429b and 429b2

QUESTION

How can I ensure that the program is correctly calculating the amounts at lines 429b and 429b2 of Form T661 in respect of the Ontario innovation tax credit and the Ontario research and development tax credit?

ANSWER

Here are the steps to follow to ensure that the program correctly calculates the amounts at lines 429b and 429b2 of Form T661:

Step 1: Complete Form T661.

Step 2: Complete Schedule 508, *Ontario Research and Development Tax Credit* (Jump Code: 508), but don't enter any amount at line 105 of the schedule.

Step 3: Complete Schedule 566, *Ontario Innovation Tax Credit* (Jump Code: 566), but don't enter any amount at line Government assistance, non-government assistance or a contract payment in respect of eligible expenditures of Schedule A located at the bottom of the schedule.

Step 4: Enter, at line 105 of Schedule 508, the government assistance, non-government assistance or a contract payment amount for eligible expenditures, but exclude the amounts calculated at lines 513b2 and 514b2 of Form T661.

Step 5: Enter, at line 514b2 of Form T661, the portion of the Ontario Research and Development Tax Credit (Schedule 508) attributable to the capital expenditures. For more details on the calculation that has to be done, please consult section 38 of the *Taxation Act*, 2007 (Ontario) and the SR&ED application policy 2005-02 available on the CRA Web site at the following address: <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/txcrdt/sred-rsde/clmng/ssstncndcntrctpymnts-eng.html>.

Step 6: Enter, in Schedule A of schedule 566, the government assistance, non-government assistance or a contract payment for eligible expenditures for the current expenditures and capital expenditures, but exclude the amounts calculated at lines 513b, 513b1 and 513b2 of Form T661 for the current expenditures, and the lines 514b, 514b1 and 514b2 for the capital expenditures.

Step 7: Repeat steps 4, 5 and 6.

Step 8: Repeat step 7 until the results stay unchanged to the nearest dollar.

Question FT22014-010

T661, Scientific Research and Experimental Development (SR&ED) Expenditures Claim (Jump Code: 661) Part 2, Project information (Jump Code: 661 PART 2)

QUESTION

Why doesn't *Taxprep* respect the maximum word limitation for fields 242, 244 and 246 as mentioned on the CRA Form T661, *Scientific Research and Experimental Development (SR&ED) Expenditures Claim*?

ANSWER

A limited number of words for fields 242, 244 and 246 is specified on the CRA Form T661; however, the CRA requires that software developers meet the following requirements instead:

fields 242 and 246 must contain a maximum of 50 lines and field 244 must contain a maximum of 100 lines. Note that the CRA also requires that each line contain a maximum of 78 characters.

Question FT22014-009

Schedule 141, Notes Checklist (Jump Code: G141) - Parts 1 and 4

QUESTION

What are the requirements to meet when completing Parts 1 and 4 of the GIFI Schedule 141?

ANSWER

If the person that prepares the tax return is **also** the person that prepared or reported the financial statements, he must complete Parts 1 and 4 (lines 101 to 108).

If the person that prepares the tax return is **not** the person that prepared or reported the financial statements, he must complete Parts 1 and 4 (lines 101 to 108). Furthermore, he must answer on line 110 **only** if he has a professional designation.

Question FT22014-008

Dividends Received from Foreign Non-Affiliated Corporations

QUESTION

Where do I enter dividends received from foreign *non-affiliated* corporations (i.e. dividends subject to Part I tax) on Schedule 3?

ANSWER

Do not enter these types of dividends on Schedule 3. The CRA has not provided a column on this schedule for these types of dividends. The CRA has stated that since these types of dividends are already included in net income for accounting and tax purposes (entered at the top of Schedule 1) there is no need to enter them on Schedule 3.

We have explained to the CRA officials that an additional column in Schedule 3 to enter these types of dividends would be useful, as Schedule 7 would automatically be updated. They have acknowledged this and may make a change in the next review of their forms.

In the meantime, enter dividends received from foreign non-affiliated corporations on the line *Other Property Income* (like interest income).

Question FT22014-007

Schedule 13, Continuity of reserves (Jump Code: 13) - Section "Financial statement reserves (not deductible) (federal)"

QUESTION

How can I take into account my reserves from financial statements if they are negative?

ANSWER

The reserves from financial statements entered on Schedule 13 will be carried forward to Schedule 1 in order to make the necessary adjustments to the net income. However, the CRA specifications do not allow any negative amounts in Schedule 1. Thus, if your reserves from financial statements are negative in Schedule 13, none of the amounts from these reserves will be carried forward to Schedule 1.

If this is the case, you can use the lines in the "Miscellaneous other additions" and "Miscellaneous other deductions" sections from Schedule 1 to readjust your net income with the reserves from financial statements. However, since the lines in these sections do not allow you to enter negative amounts, you will have to proceed by addition.

Financial statement reserves (not deductible) (federal)					
Description	Balance at the beginning of the year	Transfer on amalgamation or wind-up of subsidiary	Add	Deduct	Balance at the end of the year
1	0	0	0	0	0
Reserves from Section 2 below	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	0	0	0	0

The total of the amounts at lines "Totals" of the **Balance at the beginning of the year** and **Transfer on amalgamation or wind-up of subsidiary** columns will have to be entered as a positive amount in the "Miscellaneous other additions" section of Schedule 1. The same way, the negative amount calculated on the total line of the **Balance at the end of the year** column will have to be entered as a positive amount in the "Miscellaneous other deductions" section of Schedule 1.

Question FT22014-006**Schedule 24, question 100, type of operation that applies to the corporation****QUESTION**

For a new corporation, what “type of operation that applies to the corporation” code should I use when answering question 100 in Schedule 24?

ANSWER

The CRA has recently explained to us that an improper use is being made of the codes for the “type of operation that applies to a corporation” that are found in question 100 of Schedule 24, *First time filer after incorporation, amalgamation, or winding-up of a subsidiary into a parent*.

Many people have been using code 9, “Investment Corporation,” by error instead of using code 99, “Other - if none of the previous descriptions apply.” Code 9 applies to the definition given in subsection 130(3) concerning a corporation that must first of all be a public corporation and that also meets several other conditions.

The CRA has asked us to advise you to pay particular attention to the code that is used when answering this question. Note that most of these codes refer to specific requirements that are defined in the Canadian *Income Tax Act*.

Question FT22014-005**Returns Filed Without a Business Number (BN)****QUESTION**

Is it necessary to have a business number to file a corporation income tax return with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA)?

ANSWER

In order to meet the CRA requirements, *Corporate Taxprep* allows you to print returns only if a business number is entered in the ID form, *Corporate Identification and Other Information* (Jump Code: ID) of the corporations’ returns. The purpose of this requirement is to diminish the processing delay of those returns.

For more information on how to obtain a business number, visit the CRA Web site at the following address: www.cra-arc.gc.ca/tx/bsnss/tpcs/bn-ne/menu-eng.html.

Québec**Question FT22015-003****CO-17 bar code returns filed with version 2015 2.0****QUESTION**

Why are the CO-17 returns filed with version 2015 2.0 of *Corporate Taxprep* rejected by *Revenu Québec*?

ANSWER

Those returns are rejected, because we had not yet received *Revenu Québec*’s certification at the time version 2015 2.0 was released. Diagnostic C144 had been included in version 2015 2.0 to inform you of the situation.

Diagnostic

C144 — Québec corporation income tax returns - Because of delays in Revenu Québec's certification process, this version of Corporate Taxprep does not have the authorizations required to be able to transmit corporate income tax returns with the Québec government. A certified version by Revenu Québec should be available in mid-December 2015, and you will be able to use this version to file income tax returns with the Québec government. Until this version is available, you can start completing the appropriate Québec schedules, but you must not try to transmit them to Revenu Québec. Note that this situation only affects income tax returns that must be submitted to the Québec government: the software program is certified for the transmission of tax returns and forms to the other tax authorities.

You will have to file the affected returns again using version 2015 2.1, which is certified by Revenu Québec. This version has been available since December 16, 2015.

Question FT22015-001

CO-17.A.1, Net Income for Income Tax Purposes (Jump Code: Q1) - Amount calculated on line 54 and Implementation of Form CO-17.B, Adjustment of Income from One or More Partnerships (Jump Code: CO17B)

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QUESTION

Why is the amount on line 129 of federal Schedule 1 (Jump Code: 1) no longer included on line 54 of Form CO-17.A.1 in *Corporate Taxprep* 2015 v.1.1?

ANSWER

As a result of the implementation of Form CO-17.B, the amount corresponding to the corporation's share in the partnership's income or loss must now be entered on line 30B of the form for each partnership of which the corporation is a member. In addition, this amount must be allocated based on the source of the income or the loss (business, property or other) in Part 6 of that form. The amount on line 54 of Form CO-17.A.1 is now calculated using the amounts entered in Form CO-17.B.

Therefore, you must now enter the income or losses of a partnership, allocated based on their source, as well as the other relevant information relating to the partnerships, in Form *Information About Partnerships* (Jump Code: **QSP**) in order for the amounts of Form CO-17.B and of line 54 of Form CO-17.A.1 to be calculated correctly.

Information			
1 - Name of partnership			
Québec enterprise number (NEQ)	Identification number	Start date of the fiscal period	End date of fiscal period
Corporation's share of the partnership income that represents:			
Business income	0	Business loss	0
Property income	0	Property loss	0
Other income	0	Other losses	0
Expenses incurred by the corporation to earn income from the partnership.		0	

A client filter and a diagnostic are provided with this FAQ to allow you to identify the client files that are affected by this change.

Question FT22014-023

Filing of the annual updating declaration with the *Registraire des entreprises du Québec*, and registration fee exemption

QUESTION

Does the annual updating declaration to the *Registraire des entreprises du Québec* need to be filed when there is no registration fee payable and box 39 of Form CO-17, *Corporation Income Tax Return* (Jump Code: QJ) is empty?

ANSWER

When the corporation has no registration fee payable and, consequently, does not select box 39 of the CO-17 return, it is still required to file an annual updating declaration with the *Registraire des entreprises du Québec*, using the online service to that effect. For more information, please consult the *Registraire des entreprises du Québec* Web site at: <http://www.registreentreprises.gouv.qc.ca/en/>.

Question FT22014-021

EFILE CO-17 - Error code 13965 and Corporate Taxprep versions that can be used for electronic filing with “Clic Revenu” or “NetFile Québec”

QUESTION

Why do I receive an error code 13695 when I file a return with the *Clic Revenu* or *NetFile Québec* electronic services (Web services)?

ANSWER

When a tax return is filed electronically by *Corporate Taxprep*, the version of the program is automatically associated to a specific version of the Web service, as illustrated below:

Corporate Taxprep version number	Release date	Taxation year beginning on or after:	Taxation year ending on or before:	Web services version numbers
2015 v.2.0	November 2015	January 1, 2013	May 31, 2016	15.11.13.0
2015 v.1.1	May 2015	January 1, 2013	October 31, 2015	14.11.14.0
2015 v.1.0	May 2015	January 1, 2013	October 31, 2015	14.11.14.0
2014 v.2.0	November 2014	January 1, 2012	April 30, 2015	14.11.14.0
2014 v.1.1	July 2014	January 1, 2012	October 31, 2014	13.11.8.0
2014 v.1.0	May 2014	January 1, 2012	October 31, 2014	13.11.8.0
2013 v.2.0	November 2013	January 1, 2011	April 30, 2014	13.11.8.0

If the version of the program uses a version of the Web service **that is not included in the three most recent versions**, the preparer receives the 13965 error code from *Revenu Québec*.

For example, since the update of *Revenu Québec*'s Web service is in the fall of 2015, four versions of *Corporate Taxprep*, i.e. 2012 v.2.0, 2013 v.1.0, 2013 v.1.1 and 2013 v.1.2, no longer allow you to file corporate tax returns electronically. As for version 2015 2.0, it has been added to the list of versions allowing for electronic filing. Therefore, returns whose fiscal year begins **before January 1, 2011**, must be paper-filed and mailed. In addition, when version 2016 1.0 is released in the spring of 2016, it will be added to this list. The version of the Web service changes each fall, i. e. at the time version 2.0 of *Corporate Taxprep* is released.

Note that the version numbers of the Web services will be displayed in the “Version Coverage” help topic stating with version 2014 1.0.

Question FT22014-017**Internet filing of Québec tax return prepared by tax preparers****QUESTION**

Do tax preparers have to electronically file Québec tax returns like they have to for federal tax returns?

ANSWER

The Québec government has specified, in its Information Bulletin 2012-6, that Québec's tax legislation will be amended to incorporate the federal measures relating to electronic filing of tax returns prepared by tax preparers.

The Québec definition of a "tax preparer" is the same as the federal definition. Therefore, it consists of a person or partnership that prepares, in a given calendar year and for consideration, more than 10 corporate tax returns or more than 10 income tax returns for individuals.

Like the federal amendments, the changes made in Québec will apply to income tax returns for the 2012 and subsequent taxation years that are filed after 2012.

For more information, please consult the Information Bulletin 2012-6 at the following address:

http://www.finances.gouv.qc.ca/documents/bulletins/en/BULEN_2012-6-a-b.pdf.

Question FT22014-014

Electronic Filing and balance payment**QUESTION**

How can I pay the balance due when I electronically file a corporate tax return?

ANSWER

We invite you to consult the CRA Web site at the following address to become familiar with the different methods to pay a balance due when a return is electronically filed with the federal government: www.cra.gc.ca/tx/bsnss/tpcs/crprtns/pymnts/mthds/menu-eng.html.

If you electronically file a CO-17 return, we invite you to consult the *Revenu Québec* Web site at the following address to become familiar with the different methods to pay a balance due when a return is electronically filed with the Québec government:

http://www.revenuquebec.ca/en/entreprise/impot/societes/declaration/prod_ordi/trans_elecronique/paiement_remboursement.aspx.

If you electronically file an AT1 return, we invite you to consult the *Alberta Treasury Board and Finance* Web site at the following address to become familiar with the different methods to pay a balance due when a return is electronically filed with the Alberta government:

http://www.finance.alberta.ca/publications/tax_rebates/making-payments.html#epay.

Question FT22014-004

Québec Returns Filed Without an Identification Number**QUESTION**

Is it necessary to have an identification number to file a Québec corporation income tax return with *Revenu Québec*?

ANSWER

In order to meet *Revenu Québec's* requirements, *Corporate Taxprep* allows you to print Québec returns only if an identification number (XXXXXXXXXX IC 0001) is entered in the ID form, *Corporate Identification and Other Information* (Jump Code: ID) of the corporations' returns. The purpose of this requirement is to diminish the processing delay of those returns.

For more information on how to obtain an identification number, visit *Revenu Québec's* Web site at the following address:
<http://www.revenuquebec.ca/en/entreprise/demarrage/inscription/inscription-societe.aspx>.

Question FT22014-016

CO-1136, Calculation of Paid-Up Capital (Jump Code: 1136) - Filing of the form

QUESTION

Should Form CO-1136 be filed when the corporation's taxation year begins after December 31, 2010, and the corporation does not have capital tax payable?

ANSWER

Form CO-1136 should be filed when the corporation's taxation year begins after December 31, 2010, even if the corporation does not have capital tax payable.

Form CO-1136 is used to determine the paid-up capital for the purpose of calculating capital tax, but it is also used to determine the paid-up capital for the purpose of establishing the eligibility and calculation of certain deductions, exemptions and credits, and to perform the calculation. Although in most cases, the paid-up capital to be used for those calculations corresponds to the paid-up capital for the preceding year, *Revenu Québec* requires that form CO-1136 be filed with the income tax return each year.

Please note that the same rule applies for corporations that have to complete Form CO-1140, *Calculation of the Paid-Up Capital of a Financial Institution* (Jump Code: 1140).

Ontario

Question FT22014-003

Schedule 546, Corporations Information Act Annual Return for Ontario Corporations (Jump Code: 546) - Schedule filing

QUESTION

Does Schedule 546 have to be filed annually?

ANSWER

For tax years ending after December 31, 2008, every corporation that is incorporated, continued, or amalgamated in Ontario and subject to the *Business Corporations Act* or the *Corporations Act*, except for registered charities under the federal *Income Tax Act*, must file Schedule 546 annually.

The form will be applicable when the answer to the question *Is the corporation incorporated in Ontario under the Business Corporations Act or the Corporations Act?*, located above Part 1 of Schedule 546, is "Yes."

Is the corporation incorporated in Ontario under the <i>Business Corporations Act</i> or the <i>Corporations Act</i> ?	☒ Yes	☐ No
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By default, the answer to this question is "Yes" when it is indicated that the corporation is incorporated under the Ontario laws in Form *Corporate Identification and Other Information* (Jump Code: ID).

If you've never answered this question, the jurisdiction will default to "Federal" and Schedule 546 will not be applicable.

Jurisdiction incorporated	
Federal	☐
Province	☒ ON Ontario
Other (please specify):	

Please note that a corporation that is incorporated, continued, or amalgamated in a jurisdiction outside Canada with a licence under the *Extra-Provincial Corporations Act* to carry on a business in Ontario must file Schedule 548, *Corporations Information Act Annual Return for Foreign Business Corporations* (Jump Code: **548**) and not Schedule 546.

Alberta

Question FT22014-0013

Electronic Filing and balance payment

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InfoConnect

Question FT22014-025

InfoConnect functionality

QUESTION

What is InfoConnect?

RÉPONSE

InfoConnect is a functionality that displays, for the current field or form in *Taxprep*, an excerpt of the *Income Tax Act* or Wolters Kluwer's tax research material, such as *Preparing Your Income Tax Returns*, available from the *IntelliConnect* platform:

Please answer the following question:

Did you own or hold foreign property at any time in 2014 with a total cost of more than CAN\$100,000? See "Foreign income" in the guide for more information. If yes, complete Form T1135 and attach it to your return. If you had dealings with a non-resident trust or corporation in 2014, see "Foreign income" in the guide.

266 Yes ☒ 1 No ☐ 2

As a resident of Canada, you have to report your income from all sources both inside and outside

Total income		
Employment income (box 14 of all T4 slips)		101
Commissions included on line 101 (box 42 of all T4 slips)	102	0.00
Wage loss replacement contributions (see line 101 in the guide)	103	0.00
Other employment income		104
Old age security pension (box 18 of the T4A(OAS) slip)		113
CPP or QPP benefits (box 20 of the T4A(P) slip)		114
Disability benefits included on line 114 (box 16 of the T4A(P) slip)	152	0.00
Other pensions and superannuation	115	0.00
Elected split-pension amount (attach Form T1032)	116	0.00
Universal child care benefit (UCCB)	117	0.00
UCCB amount designated to a dependent	185	0.00

[5496] Foreign investments, offshore transfers, and foreign receipts

Canadian residents are taxed on world income. The government has become increasingly concerned in recent years about its ability to protect the Canadian revenue base from under-reporting of offshore income. At its simplest, the concern is that Canadians will invest surplus funds offshore and not report the income. At a somewhat more sophisticated level, the concern is that complex schemes are devised to move funds to offshore trusts (or leave them in offshore trusts on immigration to Canada) under tax plans which may in fact be technically sound, but which the CRA cannot test (or legislate against in future) because, ...

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General Index of Financial Information (GIFI)

Question FT22014-002

GIFI - Non-resident Corporations

QUESTION

Do non-resident corporations have to use the General Index of Financial Information (GIFI)?

ANSWER

Non-resident corporations can use the GIFI when they are reporting in unconsolidated Canadian funds. Exceptions to this are non-resident corporations that are filing under section 115 of the *Income Tax Act* only because of section 116, and treaty-based exempt corporations.

All corporations, with the exception of insurance companies, must submit their financial statements in GIFI format for taxation years ending in 2000 or later.