

2021 FORM CT-1120

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Connecticut Corporation Business Tax

Instruction Booklet

Dear Taxpayer,

The 2021 **Form CT-1120**, *Connecticut Corporation Business Tax Instruction Booklet*, contains information about the Department of Revenue Services' (DRS) **myconneCT** online system. Using **myconneCT** enables you to file your return and pay your Connecticut taxes quickly and accurately on the DRS user-friendly electronic filing and paying online system. Electronically filing your return and paying your Connecticut taxes has never been easier or more secure.

The goal of DRS is to provide taxpayers with world-class customer service and a user-friendly approach to tax administration. If you have any questions about filing this return or any Connecticut tax matter, visit the DRS website at portal.ct.gov/DRS to use the robust search engine tool to get the most up-to-date tax information, forms, and publications.

As always, we welcome your comments and ideas about how we can improve our products and the way we do business.

Sincerely,

Mark D. Boughton
Commissioner of Revenue Services

***Tax information is available on the DRS
website at portal.ct.gov/DRS.***

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What's New

Surtax Extended

Under prior law, the 10% surtax was set to expire with income years beginning on or after January 1, 2021. Under new legislation, the 10% surtax has been extended two additional years to income years beginning on or after January 1, 2021, and prior to January 1, 2023.

Capital Base Tax Phaseout

Under prior law, the capital base tax phaseout was scheduled to begin in income year 2021.

Under new legislation, the capital base tax portion of the corporation business tax will begin to phase out starting in income year 2024 as follows:

Income Year	Capital Base Tax Rate
Beginning prior to January 1, 2024	0.0031
Beginning on or after January 1, 2024, and prior to January 1, 2025	0.0026
Beginning on or after January 1, 2025, and prior to January 1, 2026	0.0021
Beginning on or after January 1, 2026, and prior to January 1, 2027	0.0016
Beginning on or after January 1, 2027, and prior to January 1, 2028	0.0011

The minimum tax remains at \$250 for all income years.

Relief from Interest on Underpayment of Estimated Taxes

Any additional tax attributable to the 10% surtax extension and the delay in the phaseout of the capital base tax, which are both described above, shall not be included when calculating interest on the underpayment of estimated tax (CT-1120I interest). This provision only applies to income years that began on or after January 1, 2021 and before June 23, 2021.

Research Credit Utilization

Beginning with income year 2022, a company may utilize research and experimental tax credits available under section 12-217j (R&E Tax Credits) and research and development tax credits available under section 12-217n (R&D Tax Credits) in excess of the standard credit limitation.

In general, the amount of tax credits allowable against the corporation business tax shall not exceed 50.01% of the amount of tax due. However, R&E Tax Credits and R&D Tax Credits may be used up to 60% of the tax due in income year 2022, and up to 70% of the tax due in income year 2023 and thereafter.

R&D Tax Credit Carryforward

Unused R&D Tax Credits that are earned during income years that begin on or after January 1, 2021 may be carried forward for up to 15 years.

For more information, see **Special Notice 2021(5)**, *2021 Legislative Changes Affecting the Corporation Business Tax*.

DRS myconneCT

Corporation business tax filers can now use **myconneCT** to file tax returns, make payments, view filing history, and communicate with the agency. For more information, see *Where to File* on Page 7.

Amended Returns

Beginning with income year 2021, **Form CT-1120X**, *Amended Connecticut Corporation Business Tax Return*, will no longer be issued. Instead, companies that file on a separate company basis can file an amended 2021 corporation business tax return by using **Form CT-1120**, *Corporation Business Tax Return*, and checking the *Amended* box on Page 4 of the return. Amended returns for prior years can be filed using Form CT-1120X for the applicable year.

Combined unitary filers should continue to use **Form CT-1120CU**, *Combined Unitary Corporation Business Tax Return*, to file amended returns. For more information, see *Amended Returns* on Page 9.

Other Taxes for Which the Corporation May be Liable

The information that follows is intended to be a general description of other Connecticut taxes for which a corporation may be liable. Failure to pay these or any taxes for which the corporation is liable may subject the corporation and its officers to civil and criminal penalties.

Connecticut Income Tax Withholding

Any corporation that maintains an office or transacts business in Connecticut (regardless of the location of the payroll department) and is considered an employer for federal income tax withholding purposes must withhold Connecticut income tax from Connecticut wages as defined in Conn. Agencies Reg. § 12-706(b)-1. See the current edition of the *Connecticut Employer's Tax Guide, Circular CT*, which is available on the DRS website at portal.ct.gov/DRS.

Connecticut Sales and Use Taxes

A corporation may be responsible for filing sales and use tax returns. Sales tax is due if the company sells taxable goods or services. Use tax is due on the purchase of taxable goods or services from out-of-state retailers or Connecticut retailers who have not collected the sales tax. Use **Form OS-114**, *Connecticut Sales and Use Tax Return*, to report both sales tax and business use tax.

Controlling Interest Transfer Tax

Tax is imposed on the sale or transfer for consideration of a controlling interest in an entity where the entity owns, directly or indirectly, an interest in Connecticut real property. This tax is reported on **Form AU-330**, *Connecticut Controlling Interest Transfer Tax Return*. See **Special Notice 2003(11)**, *2003 Legislation Affecting the Controlling Interest Transfer Tax*.

Registration

A corporation must register with the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services (DRS) if it is liable for any taxes administered by DRS. If the corporation does not have a Connecticut Tax Registration Number, the corporation may register online through the DRS website at portal.ct.gov/DRS-myconneCT. If the corporation already has a Connecticut Tax Registration Number, additional taxes for which the corporation is liable may be added to the registration online through **myconneCT**.

myconneCT is the new Connecticut Department of Revenue Services' online portal to file tax returns, make payments, and view your filing history.

File and pay your taxes online!

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Revenue Services

portal.ct.gov/DRS-myconneCT



Form CT-1120 must be filed electronically and payments must be made electronically using either **myconneCT** or the Connecticut Federal/State Electronic Filing Modernized e-File (MeF) Program, unless a taxpayer has received an electronic filing and payment waiver from DRS.

See *Where to File* on Page 7.

General Information

Tax Assistance

The Connecticut Department of Revenue Services (DRS) offers a variety of fast and convenient taxpayer service options.

Secure Messaging

Send a secure message through **myconneCT**:

- Log in to **myconneCT**.
- Open the *More...* menu.
- Locate the *Correspondence* group and click the *Send Message* link.
- Select the account, period, message area (e.g. account, return, refund), and category.
- Enter the subject and message. You can also add attachments to your message.

Telephone

Business Hours: Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

- **860-297-5962** (from anywhere)
- **800-382-9463** (within CT, outside Greater Hartford area only)
- **860-297-4911** (Hearing Impaired, TDD/TT users only)

Email

- **DRS@po.state.ct.us** (general questions only)
- Subscribe to *E-alerts*.

In-Person Assistance

DRS offers convenient options:

- Remote videoconferencing via the Microsoft Teams platform. Taxpayers will receive DRS assistance in the comfort of their own homes from a trained DRS professional.
- In-person meetings with a DRS professional at the 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT location. In-person meetings are by appointment only and scheduled during normal business hours, Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

To schedule an appointment, taxpayers should contact the DRS **Taxpayer Services Contact Center** at **DRS@po.state.ct.us**.

For additional information, visit the DRS website at **portal.ct.gov/DRS**.

Who Must File

Form CT-1120, *Corporation Business Tax Return*, must be filed by every corporation (or association taxable as a corporation) that carries on business or has the right to carry on business in Connecticut. Any corporation dissolved or

withdrawn from Connecticut is subject to the Corporation Business Tax up to the date of dissolution or withdrawal.

Groups of companies that are engaged in a unitary business, where at least one member of the group is subject to the Corporation Business Tax, are required to calculate their tax liability on a combined unitary basis on **Form CT-1120CU**, *Combined Unitary Corporation Business Tax Return*. See **Special Notice 2016(1)**, *Combined Unitary Legislation*.

Who is Exempt From Corporation Business Tax

The following companies **are exempt from filing** Form CT-1120:

- Insurance companies incorporated under the laws of any other state or foreign government, and domestic insurance companies;
- Companies exempt by the federal corporation net income tax law;
- A domestic international sales corporation (DISC) which has made a valid election for federal income tax purposes to be treated as a DISC;
- Companies subject to gross earnings taxes under Chapter 210 of the Connecticut General Statutes or whose properties in Connecticut are operated by railroad companies subject to gross earnings taxes under Chapter 210;
- Cooperative housing corporations, as defined for federal income tax purposes;
- Corporate limited partners in one or more investment partnerships that are otherwise not doing business in Connecticut; **and**
- Non-United States corporations whose sole activity in Connecticut is trading in stocks, securities, or commodities for their own account.

The following companies, organizations, or associations **are exempt** from payment of Connecticut Corporation Business Tax **but must register with DRS and file** Form CT-1120 to claim the exemption:

- A homeowner's association that has elected to be treated as such for federal income tax purposes. (A copy of federal Form 1120-H **must** be available only upon request from DRS. Do not mail a copy unless otherwise requested.);
- Certain political organizations or associations exempt from federal income taxes under IRC § 527

(if the organization or association files federal Form 1120-POL, then it must be attached to the Form CT-1120);

- Financial service companies whose corporate headquarters are located in the export zone in the City of Hartford, Connecticut, and who are conducting all of their business outside the United States; **and**
- Passive investment companies (PICs), as defined under Conn. Gen. Stat. § 12-213(a)(27), **must** file **Form CT-1120 PIC, Information Return for Passive Investment Companies**, in place of Form CT-1120.

Accounting Period and Method of Accounting

A corporation must use the same accounting period and method of accounting for Connecticut tax purposes as it does for federal tax purposes. If a corporation's accounting period or method of accounting is changed for federal tax purposes, the same change must be made for Connecticut tax purposes.

When to File

Every corporation must file a return on or before the fifteenth day of the month following the due date of the corporation's corresponding federal income tax return for the income year (May 15 for calendar year taxpayers). If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the return is considered timely if filed on the next business day.

Extension Request

Use **Form CT-1120 EXT, Application for Extension of Time to File Connecticut Corporation Business Tax Return**, to request a six-month extension (seven-month extension for corporations with a June 30 fiscal year end) to file **Form CT-1120, Corporation Business Tax Return**. It is not necessary to include a reason for the Connecticut extension request if an extension on federal Form 7004, Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File Certain Business Income Tax, Information, and Other Returns, was filed with the Internal Revenue Service.

If federal Form 7004 was not filed, the corporation may apply for an extension to file the Connecticut Corporation Business Tax return if there is reasonable cause for the request.

To get a Connecticut filing extension the corporation MUST:

- Complete Form CT-1120 EXT in its entirety;
- File it on or before the fifteenth day of the month following the due date of the corporation's corresponding federal income tax return for the income year (May 15 for calendar year taxpayers); **and**
- Pay the amount shown on Line 15.

Year End	Original Due Date	Extended Due Date
Anything except June 30	15 th day of 5 th month after year end	15 th day of 11 th month after year end
June 30	15 th day of 4 th month after year end	15 th day of 11 th month after year end

Form CT-1120 EXT **must** be filed and paid electronically. Payment of the total tax due must be included with the extension request. Form CT-1120 EXT extends **only** the **time to file** the Connecticut Corporation Business Tax return. Form CT-1120 EXT **does not extend the time to pay** the amount of tax due. Visit **myconneCT** at **portal.ct.gov/DRS-myconneCT** to file Form CT-1120 EXT and to make an extension payment.

Interest on any tax not paid by the original due date is computed at 1% per month or fraction of a month until the tax is paid in full.

To apply for a waiver from the electronic filing and payment requirement, see *Electronic Filing and Payment Waiver* on Page 8.

Where to File

File Electronically

All Corporation Business Tax returns **must** be filed electronically. See **Informational Publication 2021(5), Filing and Paying Connecticut Taxes Electronically**.

Form CT-1120 can be filed electronically through **myconneCT**. DRS **myconneCT** allows taxpayers to electronically file, pay, and manage state tax responsibilities. If you file electronically you are expected to pay electronically at the time of filing. Visit **myconneCT** at **portal.ct.gov/DRS-myconneCT**.



Modernized e-File Program (MeF)

DRS accepts Corporation Business Tax returns, extensions and estimated payments through the MeF Program. Check with your software provider for availability.

File a Paper Return

A paper return may be filed **only** if a waiver from the electronic filing requirement has been granted. To apply for a waiver from the electronic filing requirement, complete **Form DRS-EWVR, Electronic Filing and Payment Waiver Request**. See *Electronic Filing and Payment Waiver* on Page 8 for more information.

If you file a paper return, print in blue or black ink, or type the information requested in the space provided at the top of Form CT-1120.

Mail paper return **with payment** to:

Department of Revenue Services
State of Connecticut
PO Box 2974
Hartford CT 06104-2974

Mail paper return **without payment** to:

Department of Revenue Services
 State of Connecticut
 PO Box 150406
 Hartford CT 06115-0406

Make check payable to **Commissioner of Revenue Services**. To ensure payment is applied to the correct account, write “**2021 Form CT-1120**” and the corporation’s Connecticut Tax Registration Number on the front of the check. Be sure to sign your check and paper clip it to the front of your return. DRS may submit your check to your bank electronically. **Do not send cash.**

The return will meet the timely filed and timely payment rules if the U.S. Postal Service cancellation date, or the date recorded or marked by a designated private delivery service (PDS) using a designated type of service, is on or before the due date. Not all services provided by these designated PDSs qualify. See **Policy Statement 2016(4), Designated Private Delivery Services and Designated Types of Service**, for a current list of qualified PDSs.

If Form CT-1120 is filed late, see *Interest and Penalties* on Page 9 to determine if interest and penalty should be reported with this return.

Electronic Payment Options

All Corporation Business Tax payments (e.g., estimates, extension payments, and return payments) **must** be made electronically. Non-electronic payments made without an electronic payment waiver will be subject to penalty. See **Informational Publication 2021(5), Filing and Paying Connecticut Taxes Electronically**.

Visit **myconneCT** at portal.ct.gov/DRS-myconneCT to make an electronic payment. After logging in to **myconneCT**, find your tax account on the Summary screen, select the *Make a Payment* link and choose your payment method.

- **Pay by Direct Payment:** Using this option authorizes DRS to electronically withdraw a payment from your bank account (checking or savings) on a date you select up to the due date.

- **Pay by Credit Card or Debit Card:** You may elect to pay your tax liability using a credit card (American Express®, Discover®, Master Card®, Visa®) or comparable debit card. A convenience fee will be charged by the credit card service provider. The convenience fee is generally 2.35% of the payment amount, with a minimum charge of \$3.95. You will be informed of the amount of the fee and may elect to cancel the transaction. Your payment will be effective on the date that you make the charge.

At the end of the transaction, you will receive a confirmation number for your records. As a reminder, even if you pay electronically, you must still file your return by the due date. Tax not paid on or before the due date will be subject to penalty and interest.

Electronic Filing and Payment Waiver

If a corporation can show that filing and paying electronically creates an undue hardship, the Commissioner of Revenue Services may grant a one year waiver of the electronic filing and payment requirement. Request a waiver by completing **Form DRS-EWVR, Electronic Filing and Payment Waiver Request**, no fewer than 30 days before the due date of your first electronic filing and payment. See **Policy Statement 2020(2), Requests for Waiver of Electronic Filing and Electronic Payment Requirements**.

Estimated Tax Payments

Every corporation subject to the Connecticut Corporation Business Tax whose estimated current year tax exceeds \$1,000 must make its required annual payment in four installments.

All Corporation Business Tax estimated tax payments **must** be filed and paid electronically. To file and pay estimated taxes electronically, visit **myconneCT** at portal.ct.gov/DRS-myconneCT. See **Informational Publication 2021(5), Filing and Paying Connecticut Taxes Electronically**.

The required annual payment is the lesser of:

- 90% of the tax (including surtax) shown on the return for the income year, or, if no return is filed, 90% of the tax for such year; **or**

Estimated Tax Payments		
Estimated Tax Due Dates		Required Payment Amounts
		The estimated payments for the income year are the lesser of:
First	ESA - Fifteenth day of the third month of the income year	30% of prior year tax (including surtax) without regard to credits or 27% of current year tax (including surtax)
Second	ESB - Fifteenth day of the sixth month of the income year	* 70% of prior year tax (including surtax) without regard to credits or 63% of current year tax (including surtax)
Third	ESC - Fifteenth day of the ninth month of the income year	* 80% of prior year tax (including surtax) without regard to credits or 72% of current year tax (including surtax)
Fourth	ESD - Fifteenth day of the twelfth month of the income year	* 100% of prior year tax (including surtax) without regard to credits or 90% of current year tax (including surtax)

* Taking into account all prior estimated tax payments made for this year.

- 100% of the tax (including surtax) shown on the return for the previous income year without regard to any credit, if the previous income year was an income year of 12 months and if the company filed a return for the previous income year showing a liability for tax.

If the due date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the return is considered timely if filed on the next business day.

The estimated tax due dates table (on Page 8) indicates the amount due for each installment under the regular installment method. For more information on estimated Corporation Business Tax payments, including information regarding the annualized installment method, see **Informational Publication 2021(9)**, *2021 Q & A on Estimated Corporation Business Tax and Worksheet CT-1120AE*.

Amended Returns

Any corporation that fails to include items of income or deduction or makes any other error on a return must file an amended return using **Form CT-1120**, *Corporation Business Tax Return*, that applies to the income year being amended. Check the *Amended* box on Form CT-1120, Page 4, Question 2 and enter the reason for amending.

If a corporation has filed an amended federal return with the IRS and the amendment affects the corporation's Connecticut tax return, then within 90 days of the IRS final determination on that amended federal return, the corporation shall file Form CT-1120, and attach a copy of federal Form 1120X, Amended U.S. Corporation Income Tax return.

Corrections to taxable income made by the IRS must be reported to the Commissioner of Revenue Services on or before 90 days after the final determination of the change. All federal adjustments must be reported on an amended return. An extension request for reporting federal audit changes may be submitted in writing to the Commissioner stating the reason additional time is required.

If the adjustment on a Connecticut amended return is not related to an adjustment made on a federal amended return (e.g. an adjustment to Connecticut net income, Connecticut minimum tax base, a Connecticut apportionment factor, a Connecticut net operating loss, or a Connecticut Corporation Business Tax credit), explain such adjustment in detail and attach all appropriate supporting forms and schedules.

Interest and Penalties

In general, interest and penalty apply to any portion of the tax not paid on or before the original due date of the return.

Interest

If the corporation does not pay the tax when due, it will owe interest at the rate of 1% per month or fraction of a month until the tax is paid in full. Interest due on the underpayment of estimated tax is computed using **Form CT-1120I**, *Computation of Interest Due on Underpayment of Estimated Tax*. Interest on underpayment or late payment of tax **cannot** be waived.

Penalty for Failure to Remit Payments Electronically

The following graduated penalty amounts will apply if you fail to remit payments electronically:

- First offense – 10% penalty on the amount of the tax payment, but not more than \$2,500;
- Second offense – 10% penalty, but not more than \$10,000; **and**
- Third and subsequent offenses – 10% penalty.

When initiating a payment through your financial institution's online banking system you **must** verify that your financial institution is sending an EFT, not a check.

Penalty for Late Payment or Late Filing

The penalty for late payment or underpayment of Corporation Business Tax is 10% of the tax due or \$50, whichever is greater. If a request for a filing extension has been granted, a corporation may avoid a penalty for failure to pay the full amount due by the original due date if it pays:

- At least 90% of the tax shown to be due on the return on or before the original due date of the return; **and**
- The balance due with the filing of Form CT-1120, on or before the extended due date.

If no tax is due, DRS may impose a \$50 penalty for the late filing of any return or report required by law to be filed.

Penalty for Willful Failure to File or Pay

Anyone who willfully fails to pay the tax or file a return will be fined up to \$1,000 or imprisoned up to one year, or both, in addition to any other penalty.

Penalty for Willful Filing of a Fraudulent or Materially False Return

If you willfully file a tax return you know to be fraudulent or false in any material matter, you may be fined up to \$5,000 or imprisoned from one to five years, or both.

Penalty for Failure to Disclose Listed Transaction

A penalty of 75% of the amount of the deficiency may be imposed when it appears that any part of the deficiency is due to failure to disclose a listed transaction, as defined in IRC § 6707A.

Waiver of Penalty

To make a waiver of penalty request, taxpayers must complete and submit **Form DRS-PW**, *Request for Waiver of Civil Penalty*, to the DRS Operations Bureau/Penalty Waiver through **myconneCT** at **portal.ct.gov/DRS-myconneCT**; by mail (to the address below); or fax to **860-297-5727** (*ATTN: Operations Bureau/Penalty Waiver*).

Department of Revenue Services
Operations Bureau/Penalty Waiver
PO Box 5089
Hartford CT 06102-5089

Form DRS-PW must be filed no later than one year from the date that the first notice of the penalty was sent to the taxpayer or, if the penalty was reported on a return, no later than one year from the date the return was filed. DRS will **not** consider a penalty waiver request unless **Form DRS-PW** is fully completed, signed, and sent to DRS with supporting documentation.

For detailed information about the penalty waiver process, see **Policy Statement 2019(3)**, *Requests for Waiver of Civil Penalties*.

Refund Information

Get the refund faster by filing electronically and choosing **direct deposit** to have the refund directly deposited into a checking or savings account.

If any of the bank information supplied for direct deposit does not match, or the applicable bank account is closed prior to the deposit of the refund, the refund will automatically be mailed.

Status Letter Requests

Requests for status letters may be made by logging into your **myconneCT** account, and select the *More...* tab on the Summary page, then select *Request Status Letter* in the *Correspondence* group.

If requested via **myconneCT** and your account is in good standing, a letter will be displayed that can be printed out. If your account is not in good standing, you can check the status of your returns and payments by navigating to your accounts on the Summary page, select *Cancel*, and navigate to your account(s) by selecting the *Summary* tab near the top of the screen.

A status letter will not be provided until the account is in compliance.

You can also request a Status Letter by completing **TPG-170**, *Business Taxes Status Letter Request*, and mailing it to:

Department of Revenue Services
Compliance Support Unit
Request for Status Letter
450 Columbus Blvd, Ste 1
Hartford CT 06103-1837

A third party, such as a practitioner, may be authorized to receive a status letter if a properly completed **Form LGL-001**, *Power of Attorney*, signed by an authorized representative of the business, is submitted with the request.

DRS does not accept status letter requests made by email, fax, or telephone. See **Informational Publication 2021(11)**, *Status Letters*.

Recordkeeping

Keep a copy of the tax return, worksheets, and records of all items appearing on the return until the statute of limitations expires for that return. Usually, this is three years from the date the return was due or filed, whichever is later. However, if the corporation reports a net operating loss or credit carryforward or carryback, the statute of limitations may expire later.

Copies of Returns

A corporation may request a copy of a previously filed tax return from DRS by completing form **LGL-002**, *Request for Disclosure of Tax Return or Tax Return Information*.

Form CT-1120 General Instructions

Attach to Form CT-1120 a completed copy of the corporation's federal income tax return, including all schedules and attachments as filed with the IRS.

Required Information

Enter the beginning and ending dates of the corporation's income year regardless of whether the corporation is a calendar year or fiscal year filer. Also enter the corporation's Connecticut Tax Registration Number and FEIN.

Enter in the spaces provided the total assets from the corporation's federal Form 1120, U.S. Corporation Income Tax Return, Schedule L, Line 15, Column (d), and the amount from federal Form 1120, Line 11 (see Form CT-1120, *Schedule C*, Line 1b). Also enter the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for principal business activity.

NAICS Code for Principal Business Activity

Enter the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for your principal business activity. General information concerning the classification of principal business activity under NAICS can also be found at www.census.gov/naics.

Exchange of Research and Development Tax Credits

Credit Refund Application Procedure

Check the **Yes** box if the corporation is exchanging Research and Development tax credits available under Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 12-217j or 12-217n, for a credit refund equal to 65% of the value of the credit, subject to certain limitations. Enter the amount of credit refund requested in the space provided on Page 1 of Form CT-1120.

File **Form CT-1120 XCH**, *Application for Exchange of Research and Development or Research and Experimental Expenditures Tax Credits by a Qualified Small Business* separately from Form CT-1120. Attach **Form CT-1120RC**, *Research and Experimental Expenditures Tax Credit*, or **Form CT-1120 RDC**, *Research and Development Expenditures Tax Credit*, and all required supporting schedules and documentation to Form CT-1120 XCH.

At the same time as filing Form CT-1120, mail the completed application and supporting information to:

Department of Revenue Services
PO Box 150420
Hartford, CT 06115-0420

Form CT-1120 Line Instructions

Rounding Off to Whole Dollars

You must round off cents to the nearest whole dollar on your return and schedules. If you do not round, DRS will disregard the cents. Round down to the next lowest dollar all amounts that include 1 through 49 cents. Round up to the next highest dollar all amounts that include 50 through 99 cents.

However, if you need to add two or more amounts to compute the amount to enter on a line, include cents and round off **only** the total.

Example: Add two amounts (\$1.29 + \$3.21) to compute the total (\$4.50) to enter on a line. \$4.50 is rounded to \$5.00 and entered on the line.

Schedule A - Computation of Tax on Net Income

A corporation entitled to apportion its net income must complete either **Form CT-1120A**, *Corporation Business Tax Return Apportionment Computation*, or one of the special apportionment forms listed below:

- Air carriers use **Form CT-1120A-A**, *Corporation Business Tax Return Apportionment Computation – Air Carriers*.
- Motor bus companies and motor carriers engaged in multistate business use **Form CT-1120A-BMC**, *Corporation Business Tax Return Apportionment Computation – Motor Bus and Motor Carrier Companies*.

- Financial service companies use **Form CT-1120A-FS**, *Corporation Business Tax Return Apportionment Computation of Income From Financial Service Company Activities*.
- Broadcasters and production entities use **Form CT-1120A-BPE**, *Corporation Business Tax Return Apportionment Computation – Broadcasters and Production Entities*.
- Corporations that receive income from rendering securities brokerage services use **Form CT-1120A-SBC**, *Corporation Business Tax Return Apportionment Computation – Securities Brokerage Services*.
- Corporations that receive income from credit card activities use **Form CT-1120A-CCA**, *Corporation Business Tax Return Apportionment Computation of Income From Credit Card Activities*.
- If a corporation is a limited partner in one or more limited partnerships, other than an investment partnership, and is not otherwise carrying on or doing business in Connecticut, the partnership may elect for any income year to apportion its net income using **Form CT-1120A-LP**, *Corporation Business Tax Return Apportionment of Limited Partnership Interests*.
- Corporations that receive income from rendering services to or on behalf of regulated investment companies use **Form CT-1120A-IRIC**, *Corporation Business Tax Return Apportionment Computation of Income From Services to Regulated Investment Companies*.

Line 2 - Enter the appropriate apportionment fraction from Form CT-1120A, *Schedule Q*, Line 9 or from the appropriate forms previously referenced. The fraction must be expressed as a decimal and carried to six places.

Line 3 - Enter the amount from Line 1 multiplied by Line 2, or enter the amount from Line 1, if not entitled to apportion.

Line 4 - Enter the amount of any unused losses from **Form CT-1120 ATT**, *Corporation Business Tax Return Attachment, Schedule H*, Line 22, Column E. Do not exceed 50% of Line 3.

Apportioned net operating losses may be carried forward for 20 successive income years. Losses may not be carried back.

Schedule B - Computation of Minimum Tax on Capital

Use *Schedule B* to compute the minimum tax on the capital of a corporation. The minimum tax on capital cannot be less than \$250 or exceed \$1 million.

Financial service companies are subject to a minimum tax on capital of \$250 and do not complete *Schedule B*. Real estate investment trusts, regulated investment companies, or interlocal risk management agencies formed under Chapter 113a of the Connecticut General Statutes are not subject to the minimum tax on capital and do not complete *Schedule B*.

Line 2 - Corporations, other than air carriers, enter the apportionment fraction from Form CT-1120A, *Schedule S*, Line 3, Column C. Air carriers enter the amount from Form CT-1120A-A, *Schedule R-A*, Line 5. The fraction must be expressed as a decimal and carried to six places.

Line 3 - Enter the amount from Line 1 multiplied by Line 2, or enter the amount from Line 1, if not entitled to apportion.

Line 4 - Enter the number of months the corporation carried on business or had the right to carry on business in Connecticut, whichever is greater. A fractional part of a month is counted as a full month.

Line 6 - Multiply Line 5 by 0.31%. The maximum tax for *Schedule B* is \$1 million.

Schedule C - Computation of Amount Payable

Line 1a - Enter the amount from *Schedule A*, Line 6; *Schedule B*, Line 6; or \$250, whichever is greater.

Line 1b - Multiply Line 1a by 10%. If the amount on Line 1a is \$250 or the amount on federal Form 1120, Line 11 is less than \$100 million, enter "0."

Line 1c - Enter the total tax credit that must be recaptured. The following tax credits are subject to recapture:

- Historic Preservation;
- Fixed Capital Investment;
- Insurance Reinvestment; **and**
- Urban and Industrial Site Reinvestment.

In most cases, other than the Fixed Capital Investment tax credit, the corporation will have been advised by the agency administering the tax credit that recapture is required. A corporation is required to recapture the Fixed Capital Investment tax credit when the fixed capital is not held and used in Connecticut by the corporation for five full years following its acquisition. See **Form CT-1120 FCIC**, *Fixed Capital Investment Tax Credit*, to calculate the amount of tax credit that must be recaptured. See the *Guide to Connecticut Corporation Business Tax Credits* available on the DRS website at portal.ct.gov/DRS.

Line 2 – Multiply Line 1 by 49.99%.

Line 5 - Enter the total tax credits applied from **Form CT-1120K, Business Tax Credit Summary, Part II**, Line 9. Do not exceed the amount on Line 4.

Line 7 - Enter the Pass-Through Entity tax credit from **Form CT-1120PE, Pass-Through Entity Tax Credit**, Line 3. Do not exceed the amount reported on Line 6.

Line 9a - Enter the amount paid with **Form CT-1120 EXT**.

Line 9b - Enter the amount(s) paid with **Forms CT-1120 ESA, ESB, ESC, or ESD**.

Line 9c - Enter the amount of any overpayment from the prior year.

Line 9d - Amended filers only. Enter the amounts paid with original return, plus additional tax paid after the original return was filed. Do not include penalty and interest.

Line 9 - Add Lines 9a, 9b, 9c, and 9d.

Line 10a - Amended filers only. Enter the overpayment, if any, as shown on original return or as previously adjusted. All others enter zero (“0”).

Line 10b - Subtract Line 10a from Line 9.

Line 11a - Enter penalty if applicable. See *Interest and Penalties* on Page 9.

Line 11b - Enter interest due on tax not paid by the original due date. See *Interest and Penalties* on Page 9.

Line 11c - Enter interest due on underpayment of estimated tax. Complete and attach **Form CT-1120I**.

Line 11 - Add Lines 11a, 11b, and 11c.

Line 12a - Enter the amount of overpayment to be credited to 2022 estimated tax.

The overpayment will be treated as estimated tax paid on the fifteenth day of the third month (March 15 for calendar year filers), if the tax return is filed on time or if the tax return is filed within the extension period if a timely request for extension was filed. **A request to apply an overpayment to the following income year is irrevocable.** See **Informational Publication 2021(9), 2021 Q & A on Estimated Corporation Business Tax and Worksheet CT-1120AE**.

Line 12b - Enter the amount of overpayment to be refunded.

Lines 12c through 12e – Get the refund faster by choosing **direct deposit**. Complete Lines 12c, 12d, and 12e to have the refund directly deposited into a checking or savings account.

Name of Depositor	Date _____		No. 101
Street Address			
City, State, Zip Code			
Pay to the Order of			\$ _____
Name of your Bank			
Street Address			
City, State, Zip Code			
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↑	↑		
Routing Number	Account Number		

Enter the nine-digit bank routing number and the bank account number in Lines 12d and 12e. The bank routing number is normally the first nine-digit number printed on the check or savings withdrawal slip. The bank account number generally follows the bank routing number. Do not include the check number as part of the account number. Bank account numbers can be up to 17 characters.

If any of the bank information supplied for direct deposit does not match, or the applicable bank account is closed prior to the deposit of the refund, the refund will automatically be mailed.

Line 12f – Federal banking rules require DRS to request information about foreign bank accounts when the taxpayer requests the direct deposit of a refund into a bank account. If the refund is requested to be deposited into a bank outside of the United States, DRS will mail the refund.

Line 12 - Add Line 12a and Line 12b.

Line 13 - Add Line 10 and Line 11.

Schedule D - Computation of Net Income

Line 1 - Enter the corporation’s federal taxable income (loss) before net operating loss and special deductions as filed on the corporation’s federal return.

Line 2 - Enter all interest income exempt from federal taxation.

Line 3 - Enter state and local income taxes deducted in the calculation of federal taxable income, including Connecticut Corporation Business Tax.

Line 4 - Enter the amount of interest expenses paid to a related member as reported on **Form CT-1120AB, Summary of Add Back and Exceptions to Add Back of Interest and Intangible Expenses**, Part I A, Line 1.

Line 5 - Enter the amount of intangible expenses paid to a related member as reported on Form CT-1120AB, Part I B, Line 3.

Line 6 - Enter the amount of the federal bonus depreciation allowed under IRC § 168(k) and claimed on federal Form 4562, Depreciation and Amortization.

Line 7 - Enter the amount of business interest expense that was incurred in a prior year and that was carried forward and deducted in the current year for federal tax purposes pursuant to IRC § 163(j).

Line 8 - Enter 80% of the IRC § 179 deduction claimed for federal tax purposes.

Line 9 - Enter any other income amount. Attach an explanation. Include the applicable amount of distributions from a manufacturing reinvestment account (MRA). Enter:

- 100% of distributions from an MRA to the extent they are used for non-qualifying purchases; **and**
- 100% of the money remaining in an MRA account that is returned to you after the five year period.

Line 11 - Enter the dividend deduction calculated on Form CT-1120 ATT, *Schedule I*, Line 5.

Line 12 - Enter the amount of any available capital loss carryover not deducted in computing federal capital gain. This amount is limited to the amount of the capital gain reported on the federal return as described in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 12-217.

Line 13 - Enter the value of any capital gain realized from the sale of any land, or interest in land, to the state, any political subdivision of the state, or to any nonprofit land conservation organization where such land is to be permanently preserved as protected open space or to a water company, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. § 25-32a, where such land is to be permanently preserved as protected open space or as Class I or Class II water company land.

Line 14 - Enter the federal bonus depreciation recovery amount from Form CT-1120 ATT, *Schedule J*, Line 26.

Line 15 - Enter the amount of exceptions to interest add back as reported on Form CT-1120AB, Part II A, Line 1.

Line 16 - Enter the amount of exceptions to interest add back as reported on Form CT-1120AB, Part II A, Line 2.

Line 17 - Enter the amount of exceptions to interest add back as reported on Form CT-1120AB, Part II A, Line 3.

Line 18 - Enter the amount of exceptions to the add back of intangible expenses paid to a related member as reported on Form CT-1120AB, Part II B, Line 1.

Line 19 - Enter 25% of IRC § 179 deduction that was added back in calculating Connecticut net income in the preceding three years.

Line 20 - Enter the amount of business interest expense that was incurred in the current year but was not allowed to be deducted for federal tax purposes pursuant to IRC § 163(j).

Line 21 - Enter the amount of any contributions made by the State of Connecticut or political subdivision thereof to the extent those contributions are included in *Schedule D*, Line 1 of this return.

Line 22 - Enter any other income deduction and attach an explanation. Other amounts should include the following:

- The Foreign Derived Intangible Income (FDII) deduction claimed for federal purposes.
- The amount of contributions to a manufacturing reinvestment account.
- The amount received from a related member attributable to intangible expenses and costs or to interest expenses and costs, provided such income was:
 1. Included on *Schedule D*, Line 1 of this return;
 2. Received from a related member who filed a Connecticut Corporation Business Tax return for the same income year; **and**
 3. Required to be added back by the related member under Conn. Gen. Stat. §§ 12-218c or 12-218d and was not entitled to an exception of the add back.
- For all REITs, enter the deduction from federal Form 1120-REIT, U.S. Income Tax Return for Real Estate Investment Trusts, Schedule J, Line 2f, only if such amount is equal to \$50,000. In addition, for a REIT that is not a “captive REIT,” enter the deduction for dividends paid from federal Form 1120-REIT, Line 21b.

Line 24 - Subtract Line 23 from Line 10. Enter the result here and on *Schedule A*, Line 1.

Schedule E - Computation of Minimum Tax Base

Line 1 - Enter the beginning (Column A) and ending (Column B) values of the issued and outstanding capital stock including treasury stock at par or face value, fractional shares, scrip certificates, and payments on subscriptions. See federal Form 1120, Schedule L, Line 22a and Line 22b.

Line 2 - Enter the beginning (Column A) and ending (Column B) values of paid-in or capital surplus, including retained earnings. Any deficit must be reported as a negative number. See federal Form 1120, Schedule L, Lines 23, 24, and 25.

Line 3 - Enter the beginning (Column A) and ending (Column B) values of all surplus reserves. Attach a schedule of all surplus reserves to support the amounts shown on Line 3.

A *reserve* is an amount set aside or deducted from current or retained earnings for meeting future liabilities.

Line 4 - Add Lines 1, 2, and 3 in both Column A and Column B. Enter in Column C the average of Column A and Column B.

Line 5 - Enter the total holdings of stock of private corporations in Column A and Column B. Enter in Column C the average of Column A and Column B.

Attach a schedule that lists the beginning and ending book values of total holdings of stock of private corporations, including treasury stock. The total book value of shares must equal the amount claimed as a deduction on *Schedule E*, Line 5. The book value of stock does not include the value of other assets acquired and held in connection with or incidental to the ownership of such stock.

Private corporations means all non-governmental corporations, whether closely or publicly held.

Line 6 - Subtract Line 5, Column C, from Line 4, Column C. Enter the result here and on Form CT-1120, *Schedule B*, Line 1.

Schedule G - Additional Required Information

Attach a schedule of corporate officers' names, complete home addresses, and corporate titles.

Line 1 - Enter the Connecticut towns in which the corporation owns or leases, as lessee, real or tangible personal property or performed any services.

Line 2a - If the corporation transferred a controlling interest in an entity where the entity owns, directly or indirectly, an interest in Connecticut real property, the corporation (the transferor) may be subject to the controlling interest transfer tax. Enter the name and FEIN of the entity in which a controlling interest was transferred. The transferor is required to file **Form AU-330**, *Controlling Interest Transfer Taxes*.

Line 2b - If this corporation owned Connecticut real property and was the entity in which a direct or indirect controlling interest was transferred, enter the name and FEIN or SSN of the transferor. The transferor may be subject to the controlling interest transfer tax.

Line 2c - Enter the transferee(s) name(s) and the transfer date if the answer was **Yes** to either Line 2a or Line 2b. Attach a list of property addresses of the Connecticut realty owner according to the above transfer.

The entity in which a direct or indirect controlling interest was transferred is required to file **Form AU-331**, *Controlling Interest Transfer Taxes Informational Return*.

Line 3 - If any other corporation owns a majority of the voting stock of this corporation, enter the name and FEIN of the corporation.

Line 4 - Enter the last taxable year this corporation was audited by the IRS. Corrections to taxable income by the IRS must be reported to the Commissioner of Revenue Services on or before 90 days after the final determination of the change.

Check and Complete all Applicable Boxes

1. Change of Address

Check the *Address change* box, and go to portal.ct.gov/DRS-myconneCT to change your address through **myconneCT**. Log in to **myconneCT**, open the *More...* menu, locate the *Taxpayer Updates* group, and select *Manage Names & Addresses*.

2. Return Status

Check the corresponding box to indicate the type of return being filed.

- **Initial**
If this is the first time the corporation is filing Form CT-1120, check the *Initial* box.
- **Amended**
If the corporation is filing an amended return, check the *Amended* box and check the box to indicate the reason for amending. If the return is being amended to report a federal change, enter the date that the IRS made its final determination. For more information, see *Amended Returns* on Page 9.
- **Final**
If the corporation is filing a final return, check the *Final* box and complete Line 3, below.
- **Short Period**
If the corporation is filing a short period return, check the *Short period* box.

3. Final Return

Check the corresponding box providing the reason for the final return:

- **Dissolution**
To properly dissolve a domestic corporation you must file a Certificate of Dissolution with the Connecticut Office of the Secretary of the State. A dissolved corporation **must** file a return for the period up to the date of legal dissolution or the date of the final liquidation of assets, whichever is later.

Any dissolved corporation that continues to conduct business **must** file Form CT-1120 and pay any taxes due. If a corporation has been dissolved by forfeiture and wishes to be reinstated, it must submit a written request for a tax clearance to:

Department of Revenue Services
State of Connecticut
Corporation Tax Audit Unit
450 Columbus Blvd Ste 1
Hartford CT 06103-1837

The tax clearance and certificate of reinstatement must be filed with the Connecticut Office of the Secretary of the State.

- **Withdrawal From State**

A foreign corporation that wishes to withdraw from Connecticut must file a written application for withdrawal with the Connecticut Office of the Secretary of the State. Any corporation that has withdrawn must file Form CT-1120 up to the date of withdrawal and pay any taxes due.

- **Mergers and Reorganizations**

A corporation that has merged must file a written application with the Connecticut Office of the Secretary of the State. Any corporation that has merged must file Form CT-1120 covering the period up to the date of merger and pay any tax due.

Any organization that is reorganized must submit the details concerning the reorganization in writing and disclose the survivor's Connecticut Tax Registration Number to:

DRS Operations Bureau/Registration
450 Columbus Blvd Ste 1
Hartford CT 06103-1837

If the corporation already has a Connecticut Tax Registration Number, additional taxes for which the corporation is liable may be added to the registration by contacting the DRS at **800-382-9463** (Connecticut calls outside the Greater Hartford calling area only); or **860-297-5962** (from anywhere).

For further information about withdrawal from the state, mergers and reorganizations, or dissolutions, contact the Connecticut Office of the Secretary of the State at 860-509-6003.

4. Type of Federal Return Filed

Check the appropriate box for the type of federal return filed. If the *Consolidated Basis* box is checked, you must enter the parent company's name and FEIN.

An S corporation should file **Form CT-1065/CT-1120SI**, *Connecticut Pass-Through Entity Tax Return*. A limited liability company (LLC) should file Form CT-1120 only

if the company elects to be taxed as a corporation for federal income tax purposes.

5. Previous Combined Unitary Return

Indicate whether the corporation filed as part of a combined return on **Form CT-1120CU**, *Combined Unitary Corporation Business Tax Return*, for the previous income year and is no longer a member of the combined group.

6. Non-Unitary Business Income

Indicate if the corporation files as part of **Form CT-1120CU**, *Combined Unitary Corporation Business Tax Return*, in the current income year and is filing this Form CT-1120 to report non-unitary business income.

7. Principal Place of Business

If the principal place of business is located outside Connecticut, enter the name of the state where it is located.

Enter the state in which the corporation filed its Articles of Incorporation and the date of organization. If incorporated outside of Connecticut, enter the date qualified to do business in Connecticut. A corporation must enter the date it began business operations in Connecticut.

8. Exempt Corporation

If the corporation is exempt from Connecticut Corporation Business Tax, check this box and attach an explanation of the exemption, and a statutory cite for the exemption. See *Who is Exempt From Corporation Business Tax* in the *General Information* section of these instructions.

9. Annualization

Check the corresponding box if the corporation used the annualized installment method to calculate its estimated tax payments for this year.

Complete **Form CT-1120I**, *Computation of Interest Due on Underpayment of Estimated Tax*, and attach it to Form CT-1120. See **Informational Publication 2021(9)**, *2021 Q & A on Estimated Corporation Business Tax and Worksheet CT-1120AE*.

10. Interest Add Back

Check the corresponding box if the corporation paid, accrued, or incurred interest expenses or intangible expenses, costs, and related interest expenses to a related member. Complete **Form CT-1120AB**, *Summary of Add Back and Exceptions to Add Back of Interest and Intangible Expenses*, and attach it to Form CT-1120.

Signature

The return must be signed by a duly authorized officer.

Paid Preparer Signature

A paid preparer must sign and date Form CT-1120. Paid preparers must also enter their Social Security Number (SSN) or Preparer Tax Identification Number (PTIN) and their firm's FEIN in the spaces provided.

Paid Preparer Authorization

If the corporation wants to authorize DRS to contact the paid preparer who signed the 2021 Connecticut Corporation Business Tax Return to discuss it, check the **Yes** box in the signature area of the return. This authorization applies only to the individual whose signature appears in the *Paid preparer's signature* section of the return. It does not apply to the firm, if any, shown in that section.

If the **Yes** box is checked, the corporation is authorizing DRS to contact the paid preparer to answer any questions that may arise during the processing of the 2021 Connecticut Corporation Business Tax Return.

The corporation is also authorizing the paid preparer to:

- Give DRS any information that is missing from the return;
- Contact DRS for information about the processing of the corporation's return or the status of the corporation's refund or payment; **and**
- Respond to certain DRS notices that the corporation may have shared with the preparer regarding math errors, offsets, and return preparation. The notices will not be sent to the preparer.

The corporation is **not** authorizing the paid preparer to receive any refund check, bind the corporation to anything, including additional tax liability, or otherwise represent the corporation before DRS. The authorization cannot be revoked. However, the authorization will automatically end no later than the due date, without regard to extensions, for filing the 2022 Connecticut Corporation Business Tax Return. This is on or before the fifteenth day of the month following the due date of the corporation's corresponding federal income tax return for the income year (May 15 for calendar year filers).

File returns, pay amounts due, and choose to direct deposit refunds electronically using our easy, state-of-the-art, and mobile-friendly tax filing system.

TAX ASSISTANCE

The Connecticut Department of Revenue Services (DRS) offers a variety of fast and convenient taxpayer service options.

Secure Messaging

Send a secure message through **myconneCT**:

- Log in to **myconneCT**.
- Open the *More...* menu.
- Locate the *Correspondence* group and click the *Send Message* link.
- Select the account, period, message area (e.g. account, return, refund), and category.
- Enter the subject and message. You can also add attachments to your message.

Telephone

Business hours: Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

- **860-297-5962** (from anywhere)
- **800-382-9463** (within CT, outside Greater Hartford area only)
- **860-297-4911** (Hearing Impaired, TDD/TT users only)



860-297-5962



800-382-9463



860-297-4911

Email

- **DRS@po.state.ct.us** (general questions only)
- Subscribe to *E-alerts*.



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Mail

Department of Revenue Services
 450 Columbus Boulevard, Suite 1
 Hartford, Connecticut 06103-1837*

* A safe and secure drop box is also available at street level of the DRS Hartford location for quick drop off of tax documents.

In-Person Assistance

DRS offers convenient options:

- Remote videoconferencing via the Microsoft Teams platform. Taxpayers will receive DRS assistance in the comfort of their own homes from a trained DRS professional.
- In-person meetings with a DRS professional at the 450 Columbus Boulevard, Hartford, CT location. In-person meetings are by appointment only and scheduled during normal business hours, Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

To schedule an appointment, taxpayers should contact the DRS **Taxpayer Services Contact Center** at **DRS@po.state.ct.us**.

For additional information, visit the DRS website at **portal.ct.gov/DRS**.

Federal Tax Information

For questions about **federal taxes**, visit **www.irs.gov** or call the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) at 800-829-1040. To order **federal tax forms**, call 800-829-3676.



Statewide Services

Visit the **Official State of Connecticut Website** at **portal.ct.gov** for information on statewide services and programs.

