

New, Expanded Guidance on 90-Day Taxpayer Relief

On March 20, 2020 the Treasury Department and Internal Revenue Service issued Notice 2020-18, which restated and expanded upon the relief provided in Notice 2020-17, issued in response to the COVID-19 (“coronavirus”) pandemic. **Below are the five key take-aways:**

1 Filing Deadline Also Extended Until July 15, 2020

In addition to Federal income tax payments with a due date of April 15, 2020 being automatically extended until July 15, 2020, the 90-day relief NOW also applies to filing Federal income tax returns. Any affected taxpayer with a Federal income tax payment or a Federal income tax return due April 15, 2020 is automatically postponed to July 15, 2020.

- Affected taxpayers include an individual, a trust, estate, partnership, association, company or corporation, as provided in section 7701(a)(1) of the internal revenue code.
- Federal income tax payments eligible to be postponed include 2019 balances due, as well as the 2020 1st quarter estimated income tax payment due April 15, 2020.

2 You Do Not Need to File Extension Forms

Affected taxpayers do not have to file Form 4868 (Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return) or Form 7004 (Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File Certain Business Income Tax, Information, and Other Returns.)

3 There is No Longer a Dollar Limitation on the Amount That May Be Postponed to 7/15

4 Interest & Penalties Waved from April 15, 2020 to July 15, 2020

As a result of the expanded relief, the period beginning on April 15, 2020 and ending on July 15, 2020 will be disregarded in the calculation of any interest, penalty, or addition to tax for failure to file the Federal income tax returns or to pay the Federal income taxes for the affected taxpayers above.

- Interest, penalties, and additions to tax with respect to such postponed Federal income tax filings and payments will begin to accrue on July 16, 2020.

5 Relief Does Not Apply to State Income Tax Payments, Payroll Tax Deposits or Payments of Any Other Type of Federal Tax

The relief provided in IRS Notice 2020-18 only applies to Federal income tax (including tax on self-employment income) payments due April 15, 2020. Therefore, it does not include state income tax payments, payroll tax deposits, or payments of any other type of Federal tax.

Next Steps & Ways Restivo Monacelli Can Assist You:

Several states have begun to announce their own special relief. These are determined on a state-by-state basis. Your team at Restivo Monacelli can help you determine which states apply to your specific tax situation.

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