



**Note: The form, instructions, or publication you are looking for begins after this coversheet.**

*Please review the updated information below.*

### **COVID-19 relief for Form 2555 filers**

The COVID-19 virus has caused a global health emergency that has prompted the Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service to provide a waiver of the time requirements of Internal Revenue Code section 911(d)(1).

If, due to the COVID-19 emergency, you were required to leave:

- The People’s Republic of China (excluding the Special Administrative regions of Hong Kong and Macau) on or after December 1, 2019, but on or before July 15, 2020; or
- Another foreign country on or after February 1, 2020, but on or before July 15, 2020;

you may still be able to meet requirements of the bona fide residence or physical presence test for 2019 or 2020 for purposes of determining the foreign earned income exclusion and housing cost exclusion or deduction. For more information and examples see [Revenue Procedure 2020-27 \(PDF\)](#).

If you are claiming this waiver for tax year 2019, write “Revenue Procedure 2020-27” across the top margin of your Form 2555, and attach it to your 2019 income tax return.

▶ **Attach to Form 1040 or 1040-SR. Complete the Foreign Earned Income Tax Worksheet in the Instructions for Forms 1040 and 1040-SR if you enter an amount on line 45 or line 50.**  
▶ **Go to [www.irs.gov/Form2555](http://www.irs.gov/Form2555) for instructions and the latest information.**

**For Use by U.S. Citizens and Resident Aliens Only**

Name shown on Form 1040 or 1040-SR

Your social security number

**Part I General Information**

1 Your foreign address (including country)

2 Your occupation

3 Employer's name ▶

4a Employer's U.S. address ▶

b Employer's foreign address ▶

5 Employer is (check any that apply):  
a  A foreign entity      b  A U.S. company      c  Self  
d  A foreign affiliate of a U.S. company      e  Other (specify) ▶

6a If you previously filed Form 2555 or Form 2555-EZ, enter the last year you filed the form. ▶

b If you didn't previously file Form 2555 or Form 2555-EZ to claim either of the exclusions, check here ▶  and go to line 7.

c Have you ever revoked either of the exclusions? . . . . .  Yes  No

d If you answered "Yes," enter the type of exclusion and the tax year for which the revocation was effective. ▶

7 Of what country are you a citizen/national? ▶

8a Did you maintain a separate foreign residence for your family because of adverse living conditions at your tax home? See **Second foreign household** in the instructions . . . . .  Yes  No

b If "Yes," enter city and country of the separate foreign residence. Also, enter the number of days during your tax year that you maintained a second household at that address. ▶

9 List your tax home(s) during your tax year and date(s) established. ▶

**Next, complete either Part II or Part III. If an item doesn't apply, enter "N/A." If you don't give the information asked for, any exclusion or deduction you claim may be disallowed.**

**Part II Taxpayers Qualifying Under Bona Fide Residence Test** (see instructions)

10 Date bona fide residence began ▶ \_\_\_\_\_, and ended ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

11 Kind of living quarters in foreign country ▶ a  Purchased house      b  Rented house or apartment      c  Rented room  
d  Quarters furnished by employer

12a Did any of your family live with you abroad during any part of the tax year? . . . . .  Yes  No

b If "Yes," who and for what period? ▶

13a Have you submitted a statement to the authorities of the foreign country where you claim bona fide residence that you aren't a resident of that country? See instructions . . . . .  Yes  No

b Are you required to pay income tax to the country where you claim bona fide residence? See instructions .  Yes  No

**If you answered "Yes" to 13a and "No" to 13b, you don't qualify as a bona fide resident. Don't complete the rest of this part.**

14 If you were present in the United States or its possessions during the tax year, complete columns (a)–(d) below. **Don't** include the income from column (d) in Part IV, but report it on Form 1040 or 1040-SR.

(a) Date arrived in U.S.	(b) Date left U.S.	(c) Number of days in U.S. on business	(d) Income earned in U.S. on business (attach computation)	(a) Date arrived in U.S.	(b) Date left U.S.	(c) Number of days in U.S. on business	(d) Income earned in U.S. on business (attach computation)

15a List any contractual terms or other conditions relating to the length of your employment abroad. ▶

b Enter the type of visa under which you entered the foreign country. ▶

c Did your visa limit the length of your stay or employment in a foreign country? If "Yes," attach explanation .  Yes  No

d Did you maintain a home in the United States while living abroad? . . . . .  Yes  No

e If "Yes," enter address of your home, whether it was rented, the names of the occupants, and their relationship to you. ▶

**Part III Taxpayers Qualifying Under Physical Presence Test** (see instructions)

- 16** The physical presence test is based on the 12-month period from **▶** \_\_\_\_\_ through **▶** \_\_\_\_\_
- 17** Enter your principal country of employment during your tax year. **▶** \_\_\_\_\_
- 18** If you traveled abroad during the 12-month period entered on line 16, complete columns **(a)–(f)** below. Exclude travel between foreign countries that didn't involve travel on or over international waters, or in or over the United States, for 24 hours or more. If you have no travel to report during the period, enter "Physically present in a foreign country or countries for the entire 12-month period." **Don't** include the income from column **(f)** below in Part IV, but report it on Form 1040 or 1040-SR.

(a) Name of country (including U.S.)	(b) Date arrived	(c) Date left	(d) Full days present in country	(e) Number of days in U.S. on business	(f) Income earned in U.S. on business (attach computation)

**Part IV All Taxpayers**

**Note:** Enter on lines 19 through 23 all income, including noncash income, you earned and actually or constructively received during your 2019 tax year for services you performed in a foreign country. If any of the foreign earned income received this tax year was earned in a prior tax year, or will be earned in a later tax year (such as a bonus), see the instructions. **Don't** include income from line 14, column **(d)**, or line 18, column **(f)**. Report amounts in U.S. dollars, using the exchange rates in effect when you actually or constructively received the income.

**If you are a cash basis taxpayer, report on Form 1040 or 1040-SR all income you received in 2019, no matter when you performed the service.**

<b>2019 Foreign Earned Income</b>		<b>Amount (in U.S. dollars)</b>
<b>19</b>	Total wages, salaries, bonuses, commissions, etc. . . . .	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	Allowable share of income for personal services performed (see instructions):	
<b>a</b>	In a business (including farming) or profession . . . . .	<b>20a</b>
<b>b</b>	In a partnership. List partnership's name and address and type of income. <b>▶</b> _____	<b>20b</b>
<b>21</b>	Noncash income (market value of property or facilities furnished by employer—attach statement showing how it was determined):	
<b>a</b>	Home (lodging) . . . . .	<b>21a</b>
<b>b</b>	Meals . . . . .	<b>21b</b>
<b>c</b>	Car . . . . .	<b>21c</b>
<b>d</b>	Other property or facilities. List type and amount. <b>▶</b> _____	<b>21d</b>
<b>22</b>	Allowances, reimbursements, or expenses paid on your behalf for services you performed:	
<b>a</b>	Cost of living and overseas differential . . . . .	<b>22a</b>
<b>b</b>	Family . . . . .	<b>22b</b>
<b>c</b>	Education . . . . .	<b>22c</b>
<b>d</b>	Home leave . . . . .	<b>22d</b>
<b>e</b>	Quarters . . . . .	<b>22e</b>
<b>f</b>	For any other purpose. List type and amount. <b>▶</b> _____	<b>22f</b>
<b>g</b>	Add lines 22a through 22f . . . . .	<b>22g</b>
<b>23</b>	Other foreign earned income. List type and amount. <b>▶</b> _____	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>	Add lines 19 through 21d, line 22g, and line 23 . . . . .	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b>	Total amount of meals and lodging included on line 24 that is excludable (see instructions) . . . . .	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	Subtract line 25 from line 24. Enter the result here and on line 27 on page 3. This is your <b>2019 foreign earned income</b> . . . . . <b>▶</b>	<b>26</b>

**Part V All Taxpayers**

<b>27</b> Enter the amount from line 26 . . . . .	<b>27</b>	
Are you claiming the housing exclusion or housing deduction?		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Complete Part VI.		
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> Go to Part VII.		

**Part VI Taxpayers Claiming the Housing Exclusion and/or Deduction**

<b>28</b> Qualified housing expenses for the tax year. See instructions . . . . .	<b>28</b>	
<b>29a</b> Enter location where housing expenses incurred. See instructions. ▶		
<b>b</b> Enter limit on housing expenses. See instructions. . . . .	<b>29b</b>	
<b>30</b> Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 28 or line 29b . . . . .	<b>30</b>	
<b>31</b> Number of days in your qualifying period that fall within your 2019 tax year (see instructions) . . . . .	<b>31</b>	days
<b>32</b> Multiply \$46.42 by the number of days on line 31. If 365 is entered on line 31, enter \$16,944 here . . . . .	<b>32</b>	
<b>33</b> Subtract line 32 from line 30. If the result is zero or less, don't complete the rest of this part or any of Part IX . . . . .	<b>33</b>	
<b>34</b> Enter employer-provided amounts. See instructions . . . . .	<b>34</b>	
<b>35</b> Divide line 34 by line 27. Enter the result as a decimal (rounded to at least three places), but don't enter more than "1.000" . . . . .	<b>35</b>	
<b>36</b> <b>Housing exclusion.</b> Multiply line 33 by line 35. Enter the result but don't enter more than the amount on line 34. Also, complete Part VIII . . . . . ▶	<b>36</b>	
<b>Note:</b> The housing deduction is figured in Part IX. If you choose to claim the foreign earned income exclusion, complete Parts VII and VIII before Part IX.		

**Part VII Taxpayers Claiming the Foreign Earned Income Exclusion**

<b>37</b> Maximum foreign earned income exclusion. Enter \$105,900 . . . . .	<b>37</b>	
<b>38</b> • If you completed Part VI, enter the number from line 31. • All others, enter the number of days in your qualifying period that fall within your 2019 tax year. See the instructions for line 31. } . . . . .	<b>38</b>	days
<b>39</b> • If line 38 and the number of days in your 2019 tax year (usually 365) are the same, enter "1.000." • Otherwise, divide line 38 by the number of days in your 2019 tax year and enter the result as a decimal (rounded to at least three places). } . . . . .	<b>39</b>	
<b>40</b> Multiply line 37 by line 39 . . . . .	<b>40</b>	
<b>41</b> Subtract line 36 from line 27 . . . . .	<b>41</b>	
<b>42</b> <b>Foreign earned income exclusion.</b> Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 40 or line 41. Also, complete Part VIII . . . ▶	<b>42</b>	

**Part VIII Taxpayers Claiming the Housing Exclusion, Foreign Earned Income Exclusion, or Both**

<b>43</b> Add lines 36 and 42 . . . . .	<b>43</b>	
<b>44</b> Deductions allowed in figuring your adjusted gross income (Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 8b) that are allocable to the excluded income. See instructions and attach computation . . . . .	<b>44</b>	
<b>45</b> Subtract line 44 from line 43. Enter the result here and in parentheses on <b>Schedule 1 (Form 1040 or 1040-SR), line 8.</b> Next to the amount, enter "Form 2555." On Schedule 1 (Form 1040 or 1040-SR), subtract this amount from your additional income to arrive at the amount reported on Schedule 1 (Form 1040 or 1040-SR), line 9 . . . . .	<b>45</b>	

**Part IX Taxpayers Claiming the Housing Deduction—Complete this part only if (a) line 33 is more than line 36, and (b) line 27 is more than line 43.**

<b>46</b> Subtract line 36 from line 33 . . . . .	<b>46</b>	
<b>47</b> Subtract line 43 from line 27 . . . . .	<b>47</b>	
<b>48</b> Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 46 or line 47 . . . . .	<b>48</b>	
<b>Note:</b> If line 47 is <b>more than</b> line 48 and you couldn't deduct all of your 2018 housing deduction because of the 2018 limit, use the Housing Deduction Carryover Worksheet in the instructions to figure the amount to enter on line 49. Otherwise, go to line 50.		
<b>49</b> Housing deduction carryover from 2018 (from the Housing Deduction Carryover Worksheet in the instructions) . . . . .	<b>49</b>	
<b>50</b> <b>Housing deduction.</b> Add lines 48 and 49. Enter the total here and on Schedule 1 (Form 1040 or 1040-SR) to the left of line 22. Next to the amount on Schedule 1 (Form 1040 or 1040-SR), line 22, enter "Form 2555." Add it to the total adjustments to income reported on line 8a . . . . . ▶	<b>50</b>	