2021

# **Instructions for Form 2210**



#### Underpayment of Estimated Tax by Individuals, Estates, and Trusts

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

# **General Instructions Future Developments**

For the latest information about developments related to Form 2210 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to <code>IRS.gov/Form2210</code>.

#### What's New

Exclusion of Unemployment Compensation Recovery Effort (EUCRE). The American Rescue Plan Act suspended tax on a portion of unemployment compensation for those whose modified AGI was less than \$150,000. This special rule applies only to tax year 2020. See *EUCRE*, for additional information.

#### Reminders

Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. Generally, if a due date for performing any act for tax purposes falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the act is considered to be performed timely if it's performed no later than the next day that isn't a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. A legal holiday includes any legal holiday in the District of Columbia. These instructions make the adjustment for Saturdays, Sundays, and federal legal holidays.

**Health coverage tax credit.** The health coverage tax credit has been extended.

**Additional Medicare Tax.** A 0.9% Additional Medicare Tax applies to Medicare wages, railroad retirement act (RRTA) compensation, and self-employment income over a threshold amount based on your filing status. See Form 8959.

**Net Investment Income Tax.** You may be subject to Net Investment Income Tax (NIIT). NIIT is a 3.8% (0.038) tax on the lesser of net investment income or the excess of your modified adjusted gross income over a threshold amount. See Form 8960.

Premium tax credit. You may be eligible to claim the premium tax credit (PTC). The PTC is a tax credit for certain people who enroll, or whose family member enrolls, in a qualified health plan offered through a Health Insurance Marketplace (also called an Exchange). The PTC provides financial assistance to pay the premiums by reducing the amount of tax you owe, giving you a refund, or increasing your refund amount. Advance payment of the PTC may be made through the Marketplace directly to your insurance provider. If you received premium assistance through advance payments of the PTC in 2021, and the amount advanced exceeded the amount of PTC you can take, you could be subject to a penalty for underpaying your estimated tax. For example, you completed Form 8962, Premium Tax Credit, and have additional income tax liability because too much was advanced to your insurance provider. For more information about the PTC and advance payments of the PTC, see Form 8962 and Pub. 974.

Forms for the qualified business income deductions. See Form 8995-A, Qualified Business Income Deduction, or Form 8995, Qualified Business Income Deduction Simplified Computation, and their separate instructions for information about your qualified business income deduction.

**Tax Withholding Estimator.** To determine adjustments to your withholdings, go to the Tax Withholding Estimator at *IRS.gov/W4App*.

## **Purpose of Form**

Use Form 2210 to see if you owe a penalty for underpaying your estimated tax. The IRS will generally figure your penalty for you and you

should not file Form 2210. You can, however, use Form 2210 to figure your penalty if you wish and include the penalty on your return. There are some situations in which you must file Form 2210, such as to request a waiver.

#### **Who Must File Form 2210**

Use the flowchart at the top of Form 2210, page 1, to see if you must file this form.



If box B, C, or D in Part II is checked, you must figure the penalty yourself and attach Form 2210 to your return.

# The IRS Will Figure the Penalty for You

If you didn't check box B, C, or D in Part II, you don't need to figure the penalty. The IRS will figure any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax and send you a bill. If you file your return by April 15, 2022, no interest will be charged on the penalty if you pay the penalty by the date shown on the bill. If you want us to figure the penalty for you, complete your return as usual. Leave the penalty line on your return blank; don't file Form 2210.

# Other Methods of Figuring the Penalty

There are different ways to figure the correct penalty. You don't have to use the method used on Form 2210 as long as you enter the correct penalty amount on the "Estimated tax penalty" line of your return.

However, if you're required to file Form 2210 because one or more of the boxes in Part II applies, you must complete certain lines and enter the penalty on the "Estimated tax penalty" line of your return.

- If you use the regular method, complete Part I; check the applicable box(es) in Part II; and complete Part III, Section A, and the penalty worksheet (Worksheet for Form 2210, Part III, Section B—Figure the Penalty), later. Enter the penalty on Form 2210, line 19, and on the "Estimated tax penalty" line on your tax return.
- If you use the annualized income installment method, complete Part
  I; check the applicable box(es) in Part II; and complete Schedule AI
  and Part III, Section A. Complete the penalty worksheet (Worksheet
  for Form 2210, Part III, Section B—Figure the Penalty), later. Enter
  the penalty on Form 2210, line 19, and on the "Estimated tax
  penalty" line on your tax return.

## Who Must Pay the Underpayment Penalty

In general, you may owe the penalty for 2021 if the total of your withholding and timely estimated tax payments didn't equal at least the smaller of:

- 1. 90% of your 2021 tax, or
- 2. 100% of your 2020 tax. Your 2020 tax return must cover a 12-month period.

**Special rules for certain individuals.** Different percentages are used for farmers and fishermen, and certain higher income taxpayers.

**Farmers and fishermen.** If at least two-thirds of your gross income for 2020 or 2021 is from farming and fishing, substitute 662/3% for 90% in (1) above. See <u>Farmers and fishermen</u>, later, to see if you qualify.

*Higher income taxpayers.* If your adjusted gross income (AGI) for 2020 was more than \$150,000 (\$75,000 if your 2020 filing status was married filing separately), substitute 110% for 100% in (2) above.

**Penalty figured separately for each required payment.** The penalty is figured separately for each installment due date. Therefore, you may

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owe the penalty for an earlier due date even if you paid enough tax later to make up the underpayment. This is true even if you're due a refund when you file your tax return. However, you may be able to reduce or eliminate the penalty by using the annualized income installment method. For details, see <u>Schedule Al Annualized Income Installment Method</u>, later.

**Return.** In these instructions, "return" refers to your original return. However, a second, subsequent, or amended return filed by the due date (including extensions) of the original return is a "superseding" return and is considered as if it were the original return. The first return filed is ignored to the extent it was changed by the superseding return. Also, a joint return that replaces previously filed separate returns is considered the original return.

**EUCRE.** On March 11, 2021, the President signed P.L. 117-2, the American Rescue Plan Act, into law. This law allowed for an exclusion of up to \$10,200, per person, of unemployment compensation for tax year 2020. Because many taxpayers had already filed 2020 returns paying tax on their unemployment compensation, the IRS asked them not to file a subsequent return taking the exclusion. Instead, the IRS would perform an Exclusion of Unemployment Compensation Recovery Effort (EUCRE), which would figure and send refunds to taxpayers as appropriate. Use amounts as adjusted by any EUCRE changes to your 2020 return when completing Form 2210 for your 2021 tax year. See *IRS.gov/newsroom/2020-unemployment-compensation-exclusion-faqs*, for additional information.

#### **Exceptions to the Penalty**

You won't have to pay the penalty or file this form if either of the following applies.

- You had no tax liability for 2020, you were a U.S. citizen or resident alien for the entire year (or an estate of a domestic decedent or a domestic trust), and your 2020 tax return was (or would have been had you been required to file) for a full 12 months.
- The total tax shown on your 2021 return minus the amount of tax you paid through withholding is less than \$1,000. To determine whether the total tax is less than \$1,000, complete Part I, lines 1 through 7.

Estates and trusts. No penalty applies to either of the following.

- A decedent's estate for any tax year ending before the date that is 2 years after the decedent's death.
- A trust that was treated as owned by the decedent if the trust will receive the residue of the decedent's estate under the will (or if no will is admitted to probate, the trust primarily responsible for paying debts, taxes, and expenses of administration) for any tax year ending before the date that is 2 years after the decedent's death.

**Farmers and fishermen.** If you meet both tests 1 and 2 below, you don't owe a penalty for underpaying estimated tax.

- Your gross income from farming or fishing is at least two-thirds of your annual gross income from all sources for 2020 or 2021.
- 2. You filed Form 1040, 1040-SR, or 1041 and paid the entire tax due by March 1, 2022.

See chapter 2 of Pub. 505, Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax, for the definition of gross income from farming and fishing.

If you meet test 1 but not test 2, use Form 2210-F, Underpayment of Estimated Tax by Farmers and Fishermen, to see if you owe a penalty. When using Form 2210-F, refer to the Instructions for Form 2210-F, which discuss special rules that may apply. If you don't meet test 1, use Form 2210.

#### **Waiver of Penalty**

If you have an underpayment, all or part of the penalty for that underpayment will be waived if the IRS determines that:

- In 2020 or 2021, you retired after reaching age 62 or became disabled, and your underpayment was due to reasonable cause (and not willful neglect); or
- The underpayment was due to a casualty, disaster, or other unusual circumstance, and it would be inequitable to impose the penalty.
   For federally declared disaster areas, see <u>Federally declared</u> disaster, later.

To request any of the above waivers, do the following.

1. Check box A or box B in Part II, as applicable.

- If you checked box A, complete only page 1 of Form 2210 and attach it to your tax return (you aren't required to figure the amount of penalty to be waived).
- b. If you checked box B, complete Form 2210 through line 18 without regard to the waiver. Enter the amount you want waived in parentheses on the dotted line next to line 19. Subtract this amount from the total penalty you figured without regard to the waiver, and enter the result on line 19.
- Attach Form 2210 and a statement to your return explaining the reasons you were unable to meet the estimated tax requirements and the time period for which you are requesting a waiver.
- If you're requesting a waiver due to retirement or disability, attach documentation that shows your retirement date (and your age on that date) or the date you became disabled.
- 4. If you're requesting a waiver due to a casualty, disaster (other than a federally declared disaster, as discussed next), or other unusual circumstance, attach documentation such as copies of police and insurance company reports.

The IRS will review the information you provide and decide whether to grant your request for a waiver.

Federally declared disaster. Certain estimated tax payment deadlines for taxpayers who reside or have a business in a federally declared disaster area are postponed for a period during and after the disaster. During the processing of your tax return, the IRS automatically identifies taxpayers located in a covered disaster area (by county or parish) and applies the appropriate penalty relief. Don't file Form 2210 if your underpayment was due to a federally declared disaster. If you still owe a penalty after the automatic waiver is applied, the IRS will send you a bill.

An individual or a fiduciary for an estate or trust not in a covered disaster area but whose books, records, or tax professionals' offices are in a covered area is also entitled to relief. Also eligible are relief workers affiliated with a recognized government or charitable organization assisting in the relief activities in a covered disaster area. If you meet either of these eligibility requirements, you must call the IRS disaster hotline at 866-562-5227 and identify yourself as eligible for this relief. For information about claiming relief, see IRS.gov/DisasterTaxRelief. For more information on disaster assistance and emergency relief for individuals and businesses, see IRS.gov/DisasterRelief. See Pub. 976, Disaster Relief, for more details. For guidance on figuring estimated taxes for trusts and certain estates, see Notice 87-32, 1987-1 C.B. 477.

# Specific Instructions Part I—Required Annual Payment

Complete lines 1 through 9 to figure your required annual payment.

If you file an amended return by the due date of your original return, use the amounts shown on your amended return to figure your underpayment. If you file an amended return after the due date, use the amounts shown on the original return.

**Exception.** If you and your spouse file a joint return after the due date to replace previously filed separate returns, use the amounts shown on the joint return to figure your underpayment.

#### Line 1

Enter the amount from Form 1040, 1040-SR, or 1040-NR, line 22. For an estate or trust, enter the amount from Form 1041, Schedule G, line 3.



Form 1040, 1040-SR, or 1041 filers: You may exclude the amount of your net tax liability under section 965 when calculating the amount of your required annual payment.

#### Line 2

Enter the total of the following amounts.

IF you file	THEN include on line 2 the amounts on
1040,	Schedule 2 (Form 1040):
1040-NR, or	Line 4,
1040-SR	Line 8 (additional tax on distributions only),
	Line 9,
	Line 10,
	Line 11,
	Line 12,
	Line 14,
	Line 15,
	Line 16,
	Line 17a,
	Line 17c,
	Line 17d,
	Line 17e,
	Line 17f,
	Line 17g,
	Line 17h,
	Line 17i,
	Line 17j,
	Line 17I,
	Line 17z,
	Line 19.

<sup>\*</sup> If you're a household employer, include your household employment taxes on line 2. Don't include household employment taxes if both of the following are true: (1) You didn't have federal income tax withheld from your income, and (2) You wouldn't be required to make estimated tax payments even if the household employment taxes weren't included.

IF you file	THEN include on line 2 the amounts on
1041	Schedule H (Form 1040): Line 8d*,
	Schedule G (Form 1041): Line 4, Line 5, Line 6, Line 8, don't include the following write-ins:  • Look-back interest due under section 167(g) (identified as "From Form 8866"); • Look-back interest due under section 460(b) (identified as "From Form 8697"); and • Interest accrued on deferred tax under a section 1294 election for the year of termination (see Form 8621, Part VI, line 24, and the Instructions for Form 8621).

<sup>\*</sup> If you're a household employer, include your household employment taxes on line 2. Don't include household employment taxes if both of the following are true: (1) You didn't have federal income tax withheld from your income, and (2) You wouldn't be required to make estimated tax payments even if the household employment taxes weren't included.

#### Line 3

Enter the total amount of the following payments and refundable credits, if any, that you claim on your tax return.

- · Earned income credit.
- Additional child tax credit.
- Refundable part of the American opportunity credit (Form 8863, line 8).
- Recovery rebate credit.
- Premium tax credit (Form 8962).
- Credit for federal tax paid on fuels.
- Qualified sick and family leave credits from Schedule(s) H and Form(s) 7202 (Schedule 3 (Form 1040), lines 13b and 13h).
- Refundable child and dependent care expenses credit from Form 2441 (Schedule 3 (Form 1040), line 13g).
- · Health coverage tax credit.
- Credit determined under section 1341(a)(5)(B). To figure the amount of the section 1341 credit, see Repayments in Pub. 525.

#### Line 6

Enter the taxes withheld shown on the following lines:

- Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 25d;
- Form 1040-NR, lines 25d, 25e, 25f, and 25g;
- Also, Schedule 3 (Form 1040), line 11, if you filed the above forms;
- Form 1041, Schedule G, line 14.

Filers of Form 8689, Allocation of Individual Income Tax to the U.S. Virgin Islands. Also enter on this line the amount(s) from Form 8689, lines 41 and 46, that you entered on line 33 of your 2021 Form 1040 or 1040-SR.

#### Line 8

To figure your 2020 tax, first add the amounts listed in (1) below, then subtract from that total amount the refundable credits listed in (2), later, that are shown on your 2020 tax return.



If you received unemployment compensation in 2020, you may need to use amounts as adjusted by the EUCRE.

# (1) Add the amounts listed in the chart below based on which tax return you filed for 2020.

IF you filed for 2020	THEN add the following amounts shown on your 2020 tax return.
1040 or 1040-SR	Line 22,
	Schedule 2 (Form 1040):
	Line 4,
	Line 6 (additional tax on distributions only),
	Line 7a,*
	Line 7b,
	Line 8, don't include the following write-ins:
	<ul> <li>Uncollected social security and Medicare tax or RRTA tax on tips or group-term life insurance (identified as "UT");</li> <li>Tax on excess golden parachute payments (identified as "EPP");</li> <li>Excise tax on insider stock compensation from an expatriated corporation (identified as "ISC");</li> <li>Look-back interest due under section 167(g) (identified as "8866"), and under section 460(b) (identified as "8697");</li> </ul>
	Recapture of federal mortgage subsidy (identified as "FMSR"); and
	Interest accrued on deferred tax under a section 1294 election for the year of termination (see Form 8621, Part VI, line 24, and the Instructions for Form 8621). Also subtract the amount from Form 8621, line 9c, that has been entered in brackets to the left of Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 24.

<sup>\*</sup> If you're a household employer, include your household employment taxes on line 2. Don't include household employment taxes if both of the following are true: (1) You didn't have federal income tax withheld from your income, and (2) You wouldn't be required to make estimated tax payments even if the household employment taxes weren't included.

IF you filed for 2020	THEN add the following amounts shown on your 2020 tax return.
1040-NR	Line 22, Line 23a, Line 23c,
	Schedule 2 (Form 1040): Line 4, Line 6 (additional tax on distributions only), Line 7a,* Line 7b, Lines 8a & 8c, don't include the following write-ins:
	<ul> <li>Uncollected social security and Medicare tax or RRTA tax on tips or group-term life insurance (identified as "UT");</li> <li>Tax on excess golden parachute payments (identified as "EPP");</li> <li>Excise tax on insider stock compensation from an expatriated corporation (identified as "ISC");</li> <li>Look-back interest due under section 167(g) (identified as "8866"), and under section 460(b) (identified as "8697");</li> <li>Recapture of federal mortgage subsidy (identified as "FMSR"); and</li> <li>Interest accrued on deferred tax under a section 1294 election for the year of termination (see Form 8621,</li> </ul>
	Part VI, line 24, and the Instructions for Form 8621).
1041	Schedule G: Line 5, Line 6, Line 7,* Line 8, don't include the following write-ins:
	<ul> <li>Look-back interest due under section 167(g) (identified as "From Form 8866");</li> <li>Look-back interest due under section 460(b) (identified as "From Form 8697"); and</li> <li>Interest accrued on deferred tax under a section 1294 election for the year of termination (see Form 8621, Part VI, line 24, and the Instructions for Form 8621).</li> </ul>

\* If you're a household employer, include your household employment taxes on line 2. Don't include household employment taxes if both of the following are true: (1) You didn't have federal income tax withheld from your income, and (2) You wouldn't be required to make estimated tax payments even if the household employment taxes weren't included.

#### (2) Subtract refundable credits listed below.

Subtract the total of the following refundable credits, if any, that you claimed on your 2020 tax return.

- Earned income credit.
- Additional child tax credit.
- Refundable part of the American opportunity credit (Form 8863,
- Premium tax credit (Form 8962).
- Recovery rebate credit.
- Credit for federal tax paid on fuels.
- Qualified sick and family leave credits from Schedule(s) H and Form(s) 7202 (Schedule 3 (Form 1040), line 12b).
- Health coverage tax credit.
- Credit determined under section 1341(a)(5)(B).

Enter the 2020 tax you figured above unless the AGI on your 2020 return is more than \$150,000 (\$75,000 if married filing separately for 2021). If the AGI shown on your 2020 tax return is more than \$150,000 (\$75,000 if married filing separately), enter 110% of the amount of the tax computed earlier.

If you are filing a joint return for 2021, but you didn't file a joint return for 2020, add your 2020 tax (as figured earlier) to your spouse's 2020 tax (as figured earlier) and enter the total on line 8. If you file a separate return for 2021, but you filed a joint return with your spouse for 2020, your 2020 tax is your share of the tax on the joint return. You are filing a separate return if you file as single, head of household, or married filing

separately. If you didn't file a return for 2020 or your 2020 tax year was less than 12 months, don't complete line 8. Instead, enter the amount from line 5 on line 9. However, see Exceptions to the Penalty, earlier.



Form 1040, 1040-SR, or 1041 filers: You may exclude the amount of your net tax liability under section 965 when calculating the amount of your maximum required annual payment based on your prior year's tax.

## **Part III—Penalty Computation**

If you checked box C in Part II, complete Schedule AI before Part III.

Form 1040-NR filers. If you're filing Form 1040-NR and didn't receive wages as an employee subject to U.S. income tax withholding, the instructions for completing Part III are modified as follows.

- 1. Skip column (a).
- 2. On line 10, column (b), enter one-half of the amount on line 9 of Part I (unless you're using the annualized income installment method).
- 3. On line 11, column (b), enter the total tax payments made through June 15, 2021, for the 2021 tax year. If you're treating federal income tax (and excess social security or tier 1 railroad retirement tax) as having been withheld evenly throughout the year, you're considered to have paid one-third of these amounts on each payment due date.

### Section A—Figure Your Underpayment Line 10

Enter on line 10, columns (a) through (d), the amount of your required installment for the due date shown in each column heading.

For most taxpayers, this is one-fourth of the required annual payment shown on Part I, line 9.

However, it may be to your benefit to figure your required installments by using the annualized income installment method. See the Schedule Al Annualized Income Installment Method instructions, later.

#### Line 11

Table 1—List your estimated tax payments for 2021. Before completing line 11, enter in Table 1 the payments you made for 2021. Include the following payments.

- Any overpayment from your 2020 return applied to your 2021 estimated tax payments. Generally, treat the payment as made on April 15, 2021.
- Estimated tax payments you made for the 2021 tax year, plus any federal income tax and excess social security and RRTA tax
- Any payment made on your balance due return for 2021. Use the date you filed (or will file) your return or April 15, 2022, whichever is earlier, as the payment date for these purposes.

#### **Table 1. Estimated Tax Payments**

Date	Payment amount	Date	Payment amount

Entries on Form 2210. Enter on line 11 the applicable tax payments.

- Column (a)—payments you made by April 15, 2021.
- Column (b)—payments you made after April 15, 2021, through June 15, 2021.
- Column (c)—payments you made after June 15, 2021, through September 15, 2021.
- Column (d)—payments you made after September 15, 2021, through January 18, 2022.

When figuring your payment dates and the amounts to enter on line 11 of each column, apply the following rules.

- For withheld federal income tax and excess social security or tier 1 railroad retirement tax (RRTA), you are considered to have paid one-fourth of these amounts on each payment due date unless you can show otherwise. You'll find these amounts on the following lines.
  - ° Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 25d;
  - ° Form 1040-NR, lines 25d, 25e, 25f, and 25g;
  - ° Also, Schedule 3 (Form 1040), line 11, if you filed the above forms:
  - ° Form 1041, Schedule G, line 14.



If you treat withholding as paid for estimated tax purposes when it was actually withheld, you must check box D in Part II and complete and attach Form 2210 to your return.

- Include all estimated tax payments you made for each period.
   Include any overpayment from your 2020 tax return you elected to apply to your 2021 estimated tax. If your 2020 return was fully paid before April 15, 2021, treat the overpayment as a payment made on April 15, 2021. If you mail your estimated tax payments, use the date of the U.S. postmark as the date of payment.
- If an overpayment is generated on your 2020 return from a payment made after April 15, 2021, treat the payment as made on the date of payment. For example, you paid \$500 due on your 2020 return on August 1, 2021, and later amended the return and were due a \$400 refund which you elected to have applied to your estimated taxes. The \$400 overpayment would be treated as paid on August 1.
- If you file your return and pay the tax due by January 31, 2022, include on line 11, column (d), the amount of tax you pay with your tax return. In this case, you won't owe a penalty for the payment due on January 18, 2022.

Example 1. You filed your 2020 tax return on August 1, 2021, showing a \$2,000 refund. You elected to have \$1,000 of your 2020 overpayment applied to your 2021 estimated tax payments. In 2021, you had \$4,000 of federal income tax withheld from wages. You also made \$500 estimated tax payments on September 15, 2021, and January 18, 2022. On line 11, column (a), enter \$3,000 (\$2,000 withholding + \$1,000 overpayment). In columns (c) and (d), enter \$1,500 (\$1,000 withholding + \$500 estimated tax payment).

#### Line 17

If line 17 is zero for all payment periods, you don't owe a penalty. But if you checked box C or D in Part II, you must file Form 2210 with your return. If you checked box E, you must file page 1 of Form 2210 with your return. In certain circumstances, the IRS will waive all or part of the underpayment penalty. See *Waiver of Penalty*, earlier.

#### Section B—Figure the Penalty

Use the penalty worksheet (*Worksheet for Form 2210, Part III, Section B Figure the Penalty*), later, to figure your penalty for each period by applying the appropriate rate against each underpayment shown in Section A, line 17. The penalty is figured for the number of days that each underpayment remains unpaid.

Your payments are applied first to any underpayment balance on an earlier installment even if you designate a payment for a later period. See *Example 2* below. Use lines 3, 6, 9, and 12 of the penalty worksheet to show the number of days an underpayment remained unpaid. Use lines 4, 7, 10, and 13 to figure the actual penalty amount by applying the appropriate rate to an underpayment for the number of days it remained unpaid.

Example 2. You had a \$500 underpayment remaining after your April 15 payment. The June 15 installment required a payment of \$1,200. On June 10, you made a payment of \$1,200 to cover the June 15 installment. However, \$500 of this payment is applied first to the April 15 installment. The penalty for the April 15 installment is figured from April 15 to June 10 (56 days). The amount remaining to be applied to the June 15 installment is \$700.

**Total days per rate period.** If an underpayment remained unpaid for an entire rate period, use Table 2 below to determine the number of days to enter in each column. The chart is organized in the same format as the penalty worksheet.

#### **Table 2. Chart of Total Days**

Rate Period	(a) 04/15/21	(b) 06/15/21	(c) 09/15/21	(d) 01/15/22
04/16/21-06/30/21	76	15	_	_
07/01/21-09/30/21	92	92	15	_
10/01/21-12/31/21	92	92	92	_
01/01/22-04/15/22	105	105	105	90

For example, if you have an underpayment on line 17, column (a), but Table 1 shows you have no payments until after January 4, 2022, you would enter "76" on line 6, column (a), of the penalty worksheet.

If you make a payment during a rate period, see Table 4-1, below, for an easy way to figure the number of days the payment is late.

Table 4-1. Calendar To Determine the Number of Days a Payment Is Late

**Instructions**. Use this table with Form 2210 if you're completing Part III, Section B. First, find the number for the payment due date by going across to the column of the month the payment was due and moving down the column to the due date. Then, in the same manner, find the number for the date the payment was made. Finally, subtract the due date number from the payment date number. The result is the number of days the payment is late.

*Example*. The payment due date is June 15 (61). The payment was made on November 4 (203). The payment is 142 days late (203 – 61).

						Tax Year	2021						
Day of Month	2021 April	2021 May	2021 June	2021 July	2021 Aug.	2021 Sept.	2021 Oct.	2021 Nov.	2021 Dec.	2022 Jan.	2022 Feb.	2022 Mar.	2022 April
1		16	47	77	108	139	169	200	230	261	292	320	351
2		17	48	78	109	140	170	201	231	262	293	321	352
3		18	49	79	110	141	171	202	232	263	294	322	353
4		19	50	80	111	142	172	203	233	264	295	323	354
5		20	51	81	112	143	173	204	234	265	296	324	355
6		21	52	82	113	144	174	205	235	266	297	325	356
7		22	53	83	114	145	175	206	236	267	298	326	357
8		23	54	84	115	146	176	207	237	268	299	327	358
9		24	55	85	116	147	177	208	238	269	300	328	359
10		25	56	86	117	148	178	209	239	270	301	329	360
11		26	57	87	118	149	179	210	240	271	302	330	361
12		27	58	88	119	150	180	211	241	272	303	331	362
13		28	59	89	120	151	181	212	242	273	304	332	363
14		29	60	90	121	152	182	213	243	274	305	333	364
15	0	30	61	91	122	153	183	214	244	275	306	334	365
16	1	31	62	92	123	154	184	215	245	276	307	335	
17	2	32	63	93	124	155	185	216	246	277	308	336	
18	3	33	64	94	125	156	186	217	247	278	309	337	
19	4	34	65	95	126	157	187	218	248	279	310	338	
20	5	35	66	96	127	158	188	219	249	280	311	339	
21	6	36	67	97	128	159	189	220	250	281	312	340	
22	7	37	68	98	129	160	190	221	251	282	313	341	
23	8	38	69	99	130	161	191	222	252	283	314	342	
24	9	39	70	100	131	162	192	223	253	284	315	343	
25	10	40	71	101	132	163	193	224	254	285	316	344	
26	11	41	72	102	133	164	194	225	255	286	317	345	
27	12	42	73	103	134	165	195	226	256	287	318	346	
28	13	43	74	104	135	166	196	227	257	288	319	347	
29	14	44	75	105	136	167	197	228	258	289		348	
30	15	45	76	106	137	168	198	229	259	290		349	
31		46		107	138		199		260	291		350	

### Worksheet for Form 2210, Part III, Section B—Figure the Penalty (Penalty Worksheet)

Line 1b. If more than one payment was applied to fully pay the underpayment amount in a column (line 1a), enter on line 1b the date and amount applied up to the underpayment amount. If a payment was more than the underpayment amount, enter the excess in the next column with the same date. However, for each column, only enter payments you made or plan to make after the date at the top of the column. Do not enter any withheld federal income tax and excess social security or tier 1 railroad retirement tax (RRTA) on line 1b.

**Example 3.** Your required installment for each payment due date is \$4,000. You made the following estimated tax payments.

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Date	Payments
04/30/21	\$2,000
06/15/21	\$3,000
09/15/21	\$4,000
01/15/22	\$4.000

On line 1a, column (a), shows \$4,000 and columns (b) through (d) show \$3,000. Enter "04/30 \$2,000" and "06/15 \$2,000" on line 1b, column (a). The remaining \$1,000 (\$3,000 – \$2,000) of the June 15 payment cannot be entered on line 1b, column (b), because the payment was not made after 06/15/21, and is already used to reduce the underpayment on

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Complete Rate Period 1 of each column before going to the next column; then go to Rate Periods 2, 3, and 4 in the same manner. If multiple estimated tax payments are applied to the underpayment amount in a column of line 1a, you'll need to make more than one computation for that column.

				Payment	Due Dates	
			(a) 04/15/21	<b>(b)</b> 06/15/21	(c) 09/15/21	(d) 01/15/22
1a	Enter your underpayment from Part III, Section A, line 17	1a				
i 6 1	Date and amount of each payment applied to the underpayment in the same column. Don't enter more than the underpayment amount on line 1a for each column (see instructions).  Note. Your payments are applied in the order made first to any underpayment balance in an earlier column until that underpayment is fully paid.	1b				
Rate	Period 1: April 16, 2021-June 30, 2021					
2 (	Computation starting dates for this period	2	04/15/21	06/15/21		
			Days:	Days:		
	Number of days <b>from</b> the date on line 2 to the date the amount on line 1a was paid <b>or</b> 06/30/21, whichever is earlier	3				
4	Underpayment Number of days on line 1a × on line 3 × 0.03	4	\$	\$		
Rate	Period 2: July 1, 2021-September 30, 2021					
5 (	Computation starting dates for this period	5	06/30/21	06/30/21	09/15/21	
			Days:	Days:	Days:	
	Number of days <b>from</b> the date on line 5 to the date the amount on line 1a was paid <b>or</b> 09/30/21, whichever is earlier	6				
7	Underpayment Number of days on line 1a × on line 6 × 0.03	7	\$	\$	\$	
Rate	Period 3: October 1, 2021-December 31, 2021					
8 (	Computation starting dates for this period	8	09/30/21	09/30/21	09/30/21	
			Days:	Days:	Days:	
	Number of days <b>from</b> the date on line 8 to the date the amount on line 1a was paid <b>or</b> 12/31/21, whichever is earlier	9				
10	Underpayment Number of days on line 1a × on line 9 × 0.03 365	10	\$	\$	\$	
Rate	Period 4: January 1, 2022–April 15, 2022					
11 (	Computation starting dates for this period	11	12/31/21	12/31/21	12/31/21	01/15/22
			Days:	Days:	Days:	Days:
	Number of days <b>from</b> the date on line 11 to the date the amount on line 1a was paid <b>or</b> 04/15/22, whichever is earlier	12				
13	Underpayment Number of days on line 1a × on line 12 × 0.03  365	13	\$	\$	\$	\$

line 1a, column (b). Also enter "09/15 \$3,000" on line 1b, column (b), because \$3,000 of the \$4,000 September payment must be used to fully pay the June underpayment. Also enter "01/15 \$3,000" on line 1b, column (c), because \$3,000 of the \$4,000 January payment must be used to fully pay the September underpayment. Do not enter any payment on line 1b, column (d).

**Line 3.** If more than one payment was applied to an underpayment on line 1a, enter the number of days each payment was late.

**Example 4.** Using the same facts as *Example 3* above, enter "15" (number of days from 04/15 to 04/30) and "61" (number of days from 04/15 to 06/15) on line 3, column (a) (see illustration under *Example 5* below).

**Line 4.** Make the computation requested on line 4 and enter the result. If more than one payment was required to fully satisfy an underpayment amount, make a separate computation for each payment. See *Example 5* below.

*Example 5.* Assume the same facts as in *Example 3*, earlier. On line 4, enter the penalty for each underpayment: "\$2.47" (\$2,000 × (15  $\div$  365) × 0.03) and "\$10.03" (\$2,000 × (61  $\div$  365) × 0.03). The entries are illustrated below.

(a)				
2	04/15/21			
3	Days: 15	Days: 61		
4	\$2.47	\$10.03		

Column (a) is fully paid in the second rate period; therefore, lines 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, and 13 for column (a) would be blank. Continue with the underpayment in columns (b), (c), and (d) in the same manner.

**Note.** If an underpayment balance remains for the remaining rate periods, calculate the penalty using the same steps as explained above, but use the days and interest rates on lines 6 and 7 for rate period 2, lines 9 and 10 for rate period 3, and lines 12 and 13 for rate period 4.

# Schedule Al—Annualized Income Installment Method

If your income varied during the year because, for example, you operated your business on a seasonal basis or had a large capital gain late in the year, you may be able to lower or eliminate the amount of one or more required installments by using the annualized income installment method. Use Schedule AI to figure the required installments to enter on Form 2210, Part III, line 10.



If you use Schedule AI for any payment due date, you must use it for all payment due dates.

To use the annualized income installment method to figure the penalty, you must do all of the following.

- Complete Schedule AI, Part I (and Part II, if necessary). Enter the amounts from Schedule AI, Part I, line 27, columns (a) through (d), in the corresponding columns of Form 2210, Part III, line 10.
- Complete Part III to figure the penalty. This includes completing the penalty worksheet, earlier, in the instructions.
- 3. Check box C in Part II.
- 4. For each period shown on Schedule AI, figure your income and deductions based on your method of accounting. If you use the cash method of accounting (used by most people), include all income actually or constructively received during the period and all deductions actually paid during the period.
- 5. Attach Form 2210, Parts I, II, III, and Schedule AI to your return.

**Note.** Each period (see the top of Schedule AI) includes amounts from the previous period(s).

- Period (a) includes items for January 1 through March 31.
- Period (b) includes items for January 1 through May 31.
- Period (c) includes items for January 1 through August 31.

• Period (d) includes items for the entire year.

Additional information. Estates and trusts, see Notice 87-32.

**Individuals filing Form 1040-NR.** If you're filing Form 1040-NR and you didn't receive wages as an employee subject to U.S. income tax withholding, follow these modified instructions for Schedule AI.

- 1. Skip column (a).
- 2. Beginning with column (b), enter on line 1 your income for the period that is effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business.
- Increase the amount on line 19 by the amount determined by multiplying your income for the period that isn't effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business by the following.
  - In column (b), 72%.
  - In column (c), 45%.
  - In column (d), 30%.

However, if you can use a treaty rate lower than 30% for all your income during the year that isn't effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business, use the percentages determined by multiplying your treaty rate by 2.4, 1.5, and 1, respectively.

If different treaty rates are applicable, substitute your weighted average treaty rate during the year for the treaty rate in the previous sentence. For example, if you have \$1,000 of income during the year that isn't effectively connected with a U.S. trade or business, and \$500 is subject to a 15% treaty rate, \$200 is subject to a 5% treaty rate, and \$300 is subject to a 30% treaty rate, the weighted average treaty rate would be 17.5%. You would use the percentages for columns (b), (c), and (d) determined by multiplying 17.5% by 2.4, 1.5, and 1, respectively.

- Enter on line 24, column (b), one-half of the amount from Form 2210, Part I, line 9. In columns (c) and (d), enter one-fourth of that amount.
- 5. Skip column (b) of lines 22 and 25.

#### Part I—Annualized Income Installments

To figure the amount of each required installment, Schedule Al selects the smaller of the annualized income installment or the regular installment (that has been increased by the amount saved by using the annualized income installment method in figuring any earlier installments).

#### Line 1

For each period (column), figure your total income minus your adjustments to income. Include your share of partnership or S corporation income or loss items for the period.

If you're self-employed, be sure to take into account the deductible part of your self-employment tax.

#### Line 2

Estates and trusts don't use the amounts shown in columns (a) through (d). Instead, use 6, 3, 1.71429, and 1.09091, respectively, as the annualization amounts.

#### Line 6

If you itemized deductions, multiply line 4 of each column by line 5 and enter the result on line 6.

#### Line 7

If you're a resident of India and a student or business apprentice, enter your standard deduction from Form 1040-NR, line 12a.

#### Line 9

Enter your deduction for qualified business income. For information on how to compute your deduction for qualified business income, see the instructions for Forms 8995 and 8995-A.

## 2021 Estimated Tax. Part I, Line 4 Qualified Dividends and Capital Gain Tax Worksheet



1.	<ul> <li>Enter the amount from the appropriate worksheet.</li> <li>Line 3 of your 2021 Estimated Tax Worksheet. (Worksheet 2-1 in Pub.</li> </ul>		
	505)     Line 3 of Worksheet 2-6 in Pub. 505 (use if you will exclude or deduct foreign earned income or housing)		
2.	Enter your qualified dividends expected for 2021 2		
3.	B. Enter your net capital gain expected for 2021 <sup>1</sup> 3.		
4.	4		
	i. Enter your 28% rate gain or loss expected for		
6	2021 <sup>2</sup>		
	for 2021		
7.	7. Add lines 5 and 6		
8.	8. Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 3 or line 7		
	9		
10.	D. Subtract line 9 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0 10		
11.	Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 1 or \$80,800 (\$40,400 if single or married filing separately, or \$54,100 if head of household)		
12.	2. Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 10 or line 11		
13.	S. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0		
14.	Lenter the <b>larger</b> of line 12 or line 13		
15.	i. Subtract line 12 from line 11. This is the amount taxed at 0%		
4.0	Note. If lines 1 and 11 are the same, skip lines 16 through 36 and go to line 37.		
	5. Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 1 or line 9		
	Z. Enter the amount from line 15. If line 15 is blank, enter -0		
	3. Subtract line 17 from line 16. If zero or less, enter -0		
19.	Description:  State		
20.	b. Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 1 or line 19		
21.	. Add lines 14 and 15 21		
	2. Subtract line 21 from line 20. If zero or less, enter -0		
	3. Enter the smaller of line 18 or line 22 23		
24.	Multiply line 23 by 15% (0.15)	24	_
	i. Add line 17 and line 23. If line 1 equals the sum of lines 21 and 23, then skip lines 26 through 36 and go to line 37		
	5. Subtract line 25 from line 16		
	'. Multiply line 26 by 20% (0.20)	27	—
	3. Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 3 or line 6		
	29		
	D. Enter the amount from line 1 above		
	. Subtract line 30 from line 29. If zero or less, enter -0		
	2. Subtract line 31 from line 28. If zero or less, enter -0-		
	Nultiply line 32 by 25% (0.25)  Note. If line 5 is zero or blank, skip lines 34 through 36 and go to line 37.	33	_
	34		
	35		
36.	i. Multiply line 35 by 28% (0.28)	36	_
37.	'. Figure the tax on the amount on line 14 from the 2021 Tax Rate Schedules	37	_
38.	3. Add lines 24, 27, 33, 36, and 37	·	
		(Continued on next page	e)

39. Figure the tax on the amount on line 1 from the 2021 Tax Rate Schedules	39
40. Tax on all taxable income (including capital gains and qualified dividends). Enter the smaller of line 38	40.
or line 39 here and on Part I, line 4 (or line 4 of Worksheet 2-6 in Pub. 505)	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If you expect to deduct investment interest expense, don't include on this line any qualified dividends or net capital gain that you will elect to treat as investment income.

#### Line 12

Form 1040, 1040-SR, or 1040-NR filers, enter -0- in each column. Estates and trusts, use the exemption amount shown on your return.

#### Line 14

To compute the tax, see the instructions for your tax return for the applicable Tax Table or worksheet to use. For example, Form 1040 or 1040-SR filers can use the Tax Table; Tax Computation Worksheet; Qualified Dividends and Capital Gain Tax Worksheet; Schedule D Tax Worksheet; Foreign Earned Income Tax Worksheet; Schedule J; or Form 8615, Tax for Certain Children Who Have Unearned Income.

#### Line 16

Enter all of the other taxes you owed because of events that occurred during the months shown in the column headings. Include the same taxes used to figure Form 2210, Part I, line 2 (except self-employment tax), plus the tax from Form 4972, Tax on Lump-Sum Distributions; Form 8814, Parents' Election To Report Child's Interest and Dividends; and any alternative minimum tax (AMT).

To figure the AMT, Form 1040 or 1040-SR filers use Form 6251; estates and trusts use Schedule I (Form 1041). Figure alternative minimum taxable income based on your income and deductions during the periods shown in the column headings. Multiply this amount by the annualization amounts shown for each column on Schedule AI, line 2, before subtracting the AMT exemption.

#### Line 18

For each column, enter the credits you're entitled to because of events that occurred during the months shown in the column headings. These are the credits you used to arrive at the amounts on lines 1 and 3 of Part I. Required Annual Payment.

When figuring your credits, annualize any item of income or deduction used to figure each credit. For example, if your earned income (and AGI) for the first period (column (a)) is \$8,000 and you qualify for the earned income credit (EIC), use your annualized earned income (\$32,000) to figure your EIC for column (a).

#### Part II—Annualized Self-Employment Tax

If you had net earnings from self-employment during any period, complete Part II for that period to figure your annualized self-employment tax.

If you're married and filing a joint return and both you and your spouse had net earnings from self-employment, complete a separate Part II for each spouse. Enter on line 15 of Schedule AI, Part I, the combined amounts from line 36 of each spouse's Part II.

Any Additional Medicare Tax on self-employment income will be computed in Part I.

#### Line 28

Generally, to figure your net earnings from self-employment on line 28, multiply your net profit from all trades or businesses for each period by 92.35% (0.9235).

However, if your Form W-2 showed church employee income or you deducted Conservation Reserve Program payments on your Schedule SE, use a separate Schedule SE as a worksheet to calculate net earnings from self-employment for each period. For this purpose, net earnings from self-employment is the amount on Schedule SE, line 6.

#### Line 30

If you filed Form 4137, Social Security and Medicare Tax on Unreported Tip Income, or Form 8919, Uncollected Social Security and Medicare Tax on Wages, use the following instructions to figure the additional amount to include in the appropriate columns of line 30.

- Form 4137: Include the actual unreported tips for the period subject to social security tax. This will be the amount on Form 4137, line 10, when the form is completed for a specific period.
- Form 8919: Include the actual wages for the period from which the social security tax wasn't withheld. This will be the amount on Form 8919, line 10, when the form is completed for a specific period.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This includes a section 1202 exclusion from eligible gain on qualified small business stock and gain or loss from the sale or exchange of collectibles. See the Instructions for Schedule D (Form 1040) for more information.