

#### Notice 1382

(Rev. October 2012)

### **Changes for Form 1023**

- Mailing address
- Parts IX, X and XI

# Reminder: Do Not Include Social Security Numbers on Publicly Disclosed Forms

Because the IRS is required to disclose approved exemption applications and information returns, exempt organiztions shouldn't include social security or bank account numbers on these forms. By law, with limited exceptions, the IRS has no authority to remove that information before making the forms publicly available. Documents subject to disclosure include supporting documents filed with the form, and correspondence with the IRS about the filing.

# Changes for Form 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

#### Change of Mailing Address

The mailing address shown on Form 1023 Checklist, page 28, the first address under the last checkbox; and in the Instructions for Form 1023, page 4 under *Where to File*, has been changed to:

Internal Revenue Service P.O. Box 12192 Covington, KY 41012-0192

To file using a private delivery service, mail to:

201 West Rivercenter Blvd. Attn: Extracting Stop 312 Covington, KY 41011

## Changes for Parts IX and X

Changes to Parts IX and X are necessary to comply with new regulations that eliminated the advance ruling process. Until Form 1023 is revised to reflect this change, please follow the directions on this notice when completing Part IX and Part X of Form 1023. For more information about the elimination of the advance ruling process, visit us at IRS.gov. In the top right "Search" box, type "Elimination of the Advance Ruling Process" (exactly as written) and select "Search."

#### Part IX. Financial Data

The instructions at the top of Part IX on page 9 of Form 1023 are now as follows. For purposes of this schedule, years in existence refer to completed tax years.

- If in existence less than 5 years, complete the statement for each year in existence and provide projections of your likely revenues and expenses based on a reasonable and good faith estimate of your future finances for a total of:
  - a. Three years of financial information if you have not completed one tax year, or
  - b. Four years of financial information if you have completed one tax year.

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#### Part X. Public Charity Status

**Do not complete** line 6a on page 11 of Form 1023, and do not sign the form under the heading "Consent Fixing Period of Limitations Upon Assessment of Tax Under Section 4940 of the Internal Revenue Code."

Only complete line 6b and line 7 on page 11 of Form 1023, if in existence 5 or more tax years.

#### Part XI. Increase in User Fees

User fee increases are effective for all applications post marked after January 3, 2010.

- 1. \$400 for organizations whose gross receipts do not exceed \$10,000 or less annually over a 4-year period.
- 2. \$850 for organizations whose gross receipts exceed \$10,000 annually over a 4-year period.

For the current user fee amounts, go to IRS.gov and in the "Search" box type "Where Is My Exemption Application," click on the link for that page, and in the second paragraph click on "user fee." Alternatively, you can do a search for "user fees" with the applicable year in the "Search" box in the top right. Finally, you can also call 1-877-829-5500.

Application for reinstatement and retroactive reinstatement. After your organization's tax-exempt status was automatically revoked for failing to file a return or notice for three consecutive years, your organization must apply to have its tax-exempt status reinstated. You must file a Form 1023 if applying under section 501(c)(3) or Form 1024 if applying under a different Code section, pay the appropriate user fee, and write "Automatically Revoked" at the top of your application and the mailing envelope. If approved, the date of reinstatement will be the date of the application. See Notice 2011-44, 2011-25 I.R.B. 883, at

http://www.irs.gov/irb/2011-25\_IRB/ar10.html, for details.

Transitional relief scheduled to end December 31, 2012. Smaller organizations — defined as having annual gross receipts of \$50,000 or less, in its most recently completed tax year — that have lost their tax-exempt status because of failure to file a required electronic notice (Form 990-N e-Postcard) may be eligible for transitional relief, including retroactive reinstatement and a reduced user fee of \$100. See Notice 2011-43, 2011-25 I.R.B. 882, at

http://www.irs.gov/irb/2011-25\_IRB/ar09.html, for details.

### Changes for the Instructions for Form 1023

- Change to Part III. Required Provisions in Your Organizing Documents
- Clarification to Appendix A. Sample Conflict of Interest Policy

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#### Changes to Instructions for Form 1023. Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (Rev. June 2006) Part III. Required Provisions in Your

## Organizing Document

Changes are necessary to comply with Rev. Proc. 82-2, 1982-1 C.B. 367, to incorporate the state of New York as jurisdiction that complies with the cy pres doctrine to keep a charitable testamentary trust from failing the requirement for a dissolution clause under Regulation sections 1.501(c)(3)-1(b)(4), when the language of the trust instrument demonstrates a general intent to benefit charity. Therefore, the instructions on page 8, line 2c, after the third paragraph now includes the state of New York in the state listing as an authorized state. Since the state of New York allows testamentary charitable trusts formed in that state and the language in the trust instruments provides for a general intent to benefit charity, you do not need a specific provision in your trust agreement or declaration of trust providing for the distribution of assets upon dissolution.

#### Appendix A. Sample Conflict of Interest **Policy**

Appendix A, Sample Conflict of Interest Policy, is only intended to provide an example of a conflict of interest policy for organizations. The sample conflict of interest policy does not prescribe any specific requirements. Therefore, organizations should use a conflict of interest policy that best fits their organization.