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## DEALER APPLICATION PACKAGE

### INSTRUCTIONS / CHECKLIST

Please fill out completely (type or print clearly) and return to us via fax with all other required documentation. **Mail or bring to the sale with you the originals with original signatures.** We can get the process started with fax copies but we do ultimately need the originals for our files. Thank you.

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# Registration Application

## Dealership Information

Dealership AuctionACCESS ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Trade or DBA Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Name (if different): \_\_\_\_\_ Date Business Started: \_\_\_\_\_

Federal ID: \_\_\_\_\_

(US-EIN, MX-RFC, CA-GST/BIN, International-Owners Passport)

RIN (Canadian Province of Ontario only): \_\_\_\_\_

Check only one  Sole Proprietorship  General Partnership  Limited Partnership

Company Type:  Business Corporation  Limited Liability Company  Unlimited Liability Corporation

## Business Types

Check all that apply	New	Used	Lease	Wholesale	Parts	Salvage	Export	Rental
Automobile								
Motorcycle								
Moped								
RV								
Mobile Home								
Trailer (Pull Behind)								
Motorcycle (Off Road)								
ATV								
Snowmobile								
Heavy Equipment								
Boat								
Personal Watercraft								
Airplane								
Unknown								

## Contact Information

Lot Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Colony (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

St/Prov (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Colony (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

St/Prov (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Bus. Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Bus. Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Website Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Agreement**

Dealership Auction ACCESS ID: \_\_\_\_\_

You, the undersigned entity and individuals hereby authorize AutoTec, LLC, its affiliate Auction Insurance Agency("AIA"), and those customers that subscribe to AutoTec's AuctionACCESS system (including Manheim, Inc. and its affiliates, ADESA, Inc. and its affiliates, and all other subscribing auctions, collectively, "Customers") to provide, obtain, store, use and share amongst themselves, and externally, as each sees fit, the information contained on this application, on any other forms provided to AutoTec and other information regarding you and/or your dealings with each, including transaction, bank, credit information, and consumer reports. You acknowledge that AutoTec provides such information to Customers without verifying the same, on an "as is" basis, expressly disclaiming any express or implied warranties regarding such information. Customers are not limited to businesses in the automobile auction or dealer industries, but may also include other businesses providing goods or services to such industries.

By signing below, you (1) agree to the terms of this application, any exhibits hereto, and AutoTec's Terms and Conditions as they may be amended from time to time and posted on www.AuctionACCESS.com, (2) warrants that you are solvent, properly registered to do business and licensed as a dealer (if applicable), and that the information provided herein is complete, accurate, and truthful, (3) acknowledges that registration in the AuctionACCESS System is no guarantee of purchasing privileges or credit with any Customer, which each retain the discretion to deal with you as they see fit, (4) agrees to be bound by the policies and procedures of each Customer at which you register or transact with your AuctionACCESS credentials, (5) agree that AutoTec, AIA, and each Customer, on their own behalf or on behalf of their respective customers and business partners may contact you for any commercial or advertising purpose using the telephone numbers (whether business, home, or mobile numbers), fax numbers, e-mail addresses, and/or other contact information provided on this form, or otherwise used in connection with your business, and (6) agree to disclose AuctionACCESS numbers only to AutoTec Customers.

You agree that these terms and any other commitments or account forms submitted to AutoTec, its affiliates, and any Customers, by you or any authorized Individual, shall have the same force and effect as though personally signed by each of you and may be enforced as originals, even if they were accepted online, by email, via "click-through" agreement, or in other digital, pdf, or facsimile format.

**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Legal Name of Entity** (Corp/LLC/LLP/ULC/Partnership/Individual)

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Trade or DBA Name of Entity**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name** of Authorized Signer (Owner/Officer/Manager)

Its: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Title** of Authorized Signer (Owner/Officer/Manager)

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature** of Authorized Signer (Owner/Officer/Manager)

Witness/Attester: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Owners**

*Owner Name*

*Owners AA ID*

*Owner Name*

*Owners AA ID*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**References**

*Auction Name*

*Phone Number*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Franchise Information**

*Franchise Name*

*Franchise Number*

*Franchise Name*

*Franchise Number*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_



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Auction Access #: \_\_\_\_\_

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

By signing below Dealer acknowledges it has read, understands, agrees to and received a copy of the Auction Terms and Conditions and Auction Trading Policies.

(If a sole proprietorship)

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Signature of Dealer Date

Witness

Printed Name of Dealer

(If a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or some entity other than a sole proprietorship)

Printed Name of Corporation

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

By: Signature of Officer Date

Witness

Printed Name & Title of Officer

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The undersigned personally guaranties Dealer's payment and performance under the Auction Terms and Conditions and all transactions by Dealer taken pursuant thereto.

The undersigned acknowledges that Central, Inc. shall have the right to refuse to transact business with Dealer, to modify or release any and all collateral security, to extend or change time of payment and to settle or compromise with Dealer without notice to the undersigned and without discharging or affecting the liability of the undersigned hereunder. This personal guaranty is to be a continuing guaranty and the undersigned hereby waives notice of acceptance of this guaranty and presentment, demand, protest and any notice of non-payment or dishonor. The undersigned shall be liable as principal debtor(s) and not merely as surety (or sureties), and the bankruptcy or any assignment in favor of creditors of Dealer shall not affect the enforceability of this personal guaranty.

This personal guaranty shall bind the respective heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of the undersigned, and shall inure to the benefit of Central, Inc., its successors, assigns and subrogees.

I / we hereby authorize Central, Inc. to obtain my / our personal credit reports and / or other credit information from third party providers on an ongoing basis as Central, Inc. deems appropriate.

Where there is more than one signatory to this personal guaranty, each signatory shall be jointly and severally liable under this personal guaranty.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has (have) executed this personal guaranty this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_.

Owner / Officer signature as individual

Printed name of signatory

Owner / Officer signature as individual

Printed name of signatory



## Bank Authorization Letter

To Whom It May Concern:

In order to enable the undersigned dealership to participate in AutoTec’s AuctionACCESS System and thereby enhance its automotive business and ability to utilize bank accounts in connection with the same, you are hereby authorized to do the following:

- ◆ Release financial credit information, including account statements and credit reports, to AutoTec, LLC, its affiliate Auction Insurance Agency, and those customers that subscribe to AutoTec’s AuctionACCESS System (including Manheim, Inc. and its affiliates, ADESA, Inc. and its affiliates, and all other subscribing auctions and customers) (“Customers”).
- ◆ Include the information contained in the attached Bank Reference Letter regarding the undersigned dealership and its business checking and other accounts as requested by the AuctionACCESS Customer, AutoTec, LLC, and/or Auction Insurance Agency.
- ◆ Share this information with the AuctionACCESS Customers with whom I wish to register.

The information will be used for business purposes in connection with the AuctionACCESS System and/or affiliated programs provided for subscribing Customers. We have agreed that our online or digital signature to this and other forms is binding as if personally signed. Thus, you may rely on any system generated acknowledgment stamp with IP address below.

Dealership AuctionACCESS ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Dealership Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dealership Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Your prompt attention in answering the Bank Reference Letter will be greatly appreciated.**

Sincerely,

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name of Authorized Signer (Owner/Officer/Manager)

Its: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title of Authorized Signer (Owner/Officer/Manager)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Authorized Signer (Owner/Officer/Manager)



# Individual Authorization Letter

## Agreement

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Individual's AuctionACCESS ID: \_\_\_\_\_

To Whom It May Concern:

You, the individual referenced below ("Individual" or "you"), wish to register, as of the date listed above, with AutoTec, LLC's AuctionACCESS System. You hereby authorize AutoTec, LLC, its affiliate Auction Insurance Agency, and those of its customers that subscribe to AutoTec's AuctionACCESS System (including Manheim, Inc. and its affiliates, ADESA, Inc. and its affiliates, and all other subscribing auctions) and at which you deal (or otherwise provide any AuctionACCESS number) at any time ("Customers") to provide, obtain, store, use, and share amongst themselves, and externally, as each sees fit, the information contained on this application, on any other forms provided to AutoTec, and other information regarding you and/or your dealings with each, including transaction, bank, and credit information and consumer reports. You understand that AutoTec provides this information to said Customers without verifying the same, on an "as is" basis, expressly disclaiming any express or implied warranties regarding such information. Customers are not limited to businesses engaged in the automobile dealer or auction industries, but may also include other businesses providing goods or services to such industries. By signing below, you (1) agree to the terms of this registration and AutoTec's Terms and Conditions (as they may be amended from time to time) posted on www.AuctionACCESS.com, (2) warrant that you are solvent and the information provided herein is complete, accurate, and truthful, (3) acknowledge that registration in the AuctionACCESS System is no guarantee of purchasing privileges or credit with any Customer, (4) agree to be bound by the policies and procedures of each Customer with whom you deal or attend, (5) agree that AutoTec, LLC, Auction Insurance Agency, and subscribing Customers may contact you, or their own behalf or on behalf of their respective sellers, consignors, or other customers, for any commercial or advertising purpose, using the telephone numbers (whether business, home, or mobile numbers), fax numbers, e-mail addresses, and other contact information provided on this form, or at any other address, telephone number, fax number, or e-mail address used in connection with your business, and (6) agree to disclose AuctionACCESS numbers only to subscribing Customers. You agree that these terms and any other commitments or account forms submitted by you to AutoTec, its affiliates, and any Customers shall have the same force and effect as though personally signed by you and may be enforced as originals, even if they were accepted online, by email, via "click-through" agreement, or in other digital, pdf, or facsimile format.

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Taxpayer ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Please select ID type \_\_\_\_\_ US: \_\_\_\_\_ Mexico: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
SSN  ITIN  CURP  N/A

Printed Legal Name of Individual \_\_\_\_\_ Individual Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Photo Identification

Driver's License  State/Province Issued ID  Passport  Voter Registration Card (Mexico Only)  
Photo ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province or Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
Issue Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## Contact Information

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ Colony (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
State/Province (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mobile Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_



# Dealership Authorization of an Individual

Dealership Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Dealership AuctionACCESS ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Legal Name of Individual \_\_\_\_\_ Individual's AuctionACCESS ID \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

## Add or Change Roles

By signing or clicking approval below, the dealership referenced above ("you", "your", or "yours") authorizes AutoTec, LLC ("we", "us", or "our") to register the individual listed above ("Individual") to serve as your representative and agent in the following capacity:

**The role designated below will be the only role in effect for this Individual for this Dealership, replacing any previous role authorization (check one).**

- Representative
  Owner
  Officer/Manager
  Driver

Subject to our acceptance of this authorization, you acknowledge the following: (i) the capacities in which the Individual is authorized as your agent apply at and with us and our subscribing AuctionACCESS customers ("Customers"), including affiliates; (ii) the authorization will be valid until one business day after we receive and process your written notice of termination in the form of a Dealer Removal Letter; and (iii) once processed, the most recent authorization received and accepted by us will replace any prior authorization(s) for the Individual for transactions thereafter.

If you designate the Individual in the capacity of "Representative," "Owner," or "Officer/Manager" in this form, the Individual may buy and sell automobiles for you and execute company checks, drafts, certificates of title, and/or any other instruments or documents on your behalf at or with any Customer. All categories, including "Drivers," may pick up, receive, and/or deliver cars or other property on or for your account.

You guarantee performance of all obligations and payment of all debts incurred or authorized by this Individual on your account with us or any Customer. This guaranty includes but is not limited to payment of losses from dishonored checks or drafts, defective titles, or false or inaccurate Odometer Mileage Statements. You also guarantee that the Individual will honor the AutoTec Terms and Conditions (as they may be amended from time to time and posted on www.AuctionACCESS.com), conduct business with us and our Customers in a fair and ethical manner, honoring all policies and procedures of each and respecting decisions of ours or our Customers with respect to same. You will indemnify and hold harmless Customers, AutoTec, LLC, each's affiliates, and the officers, directors, employees, and agents of each of the foregoing, against any liability, loss, damages (including punitive damages), claim, settlement payment, cost, expense, award, judgment, fee, or other charge, including reasonable attorneys' fees, arising out of or relating to the authorized Individual's actions, as well as any expense incurred in attempting to collect such losses, including attorney fees.

Our Customers are third-party beneficiaries of this authorization agreement. At their election, and in their sole discretion, they may avail themselves of any provision of this agreement. However, this document is a supplement to, and not a replacement or modification of, any agreement you have with those Customers, or any policies and procedures of such Customer. Each customer retains the right to stop doing business with this Individual as it sees fit.

Use of the AuctionACCESS System is open only to licensed dealers and their business associates and is a privilege, not a right. You may authorize and register only those individuals who are bona fide employees or independent contractors for your dealership. Retail buyers or others not affiliated with your business are not eligible to use the System. By signing or clicking approval below, you also certify that the Individual is affiliated with your business and is eligible to use the System. We reserve the right to immediately terminate any authorization obtained for ineligible persons and the right to terminate your AuctionACCESS membership if you authorize a person who is not eligible to use the System, as well as the right to terminate either or both without cause in our sole discretion.

You agree that these terms and any other commitments or account forms submitted to AutoTec, its affiliates, and any other Customers, by you or any authorized Individual, shall have the same force and effect as though personally signed by each of you and may be enforced as originals, even if they were accepted online, by email, via "click-through" agreement, or in other digital, pdf, or facsimile format.

## Signature

By: \_\_\_\_\_

**Printed Name** of Authorized Signer (Owner/Officer/Manager)

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature** of Authorized Signer (Owner/Officer/Manager)

Its: \_\_\_\_\_

**Title** of Authorized Signer (Owner/Officer/Manager)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE SERVICES

SALES & USE TAX RESALE CERTIFICATE

Issued to (Seller)

Address

\_\_\_\_\_

I certify that Name of Firm (Buyer) is engaged as a registered

\_\_\_\_\_

( ) Wholesaler

Street Address or P.O. Box No.

( ) Retailer

( ) Manufacturer

( ) Lessor

( ) Other (specify)

City

State

Zip

\_\_\_\_\_

and is registered with the below listed states and cities within which your firm would deliver purchases to us and that any such purchases are for wholesale, resale, ingredients or components of a new product to be resold, leased, or rented in the normal course of our business. We are in the business of wholesaling, retailing, manufacturing, leasing (renting) the following:

City or state

State Registration  
or I.D. No.

City or State

State Registration  
or I.D. No.

City or state

State Registration  
or I.D. No.

City or State

State Registration  
or I.D. No.

City or state

State Registration  
or I.D. No.

City or State

State Registration  
or I.D. No.

I further certify that if any property so purchased tax free is used or consumed by the firm as to make it subject to a sales or use tax we will pay the tax due direct to the proper taxing authority when state law so provides or inform the seller for added tax billing. This certificate shall be part of each order which we may hereafter give to you, unless otherwise specified, and shall be valid until cancelled by us in writing or revoked by the city or state.

General description of products to be purchased from the seller:

I declare under the penalties of false statement that this certificate has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is a true, correct and complete certificate.

Authorized Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Owner, Partner or Corporate Officer)

Title

Date



## Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

**Give Form to the  
 requester. Do not  
 send to the IRS.**

<b>Print or type See Specific Instructions on page 2.</b>	Name (as shown on your income tax return)	
	Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above	
	Check appropriate box for federal tax classification: <input type="checkbox"/> Individual/sole proprietor <input type="checkbox"/> C Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> S Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Trust/estate  <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership) ▶ _____  <input type="checkbox"/> Other (see instructions) ▶ _____	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Exempt payee	
	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)	Requester's name and address (optional)
City, state, and ZIP code		
List account number(s) here (optional)		

### Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on the "Name" line to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the Part I instructions on page 3. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN* on page 3.

Social security number									

**Note.** If the account is in more than one name, see the chart on page 4 for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Employer identification number									

### Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me), and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because: (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding, and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below).

**Certification instructions.** You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions on page 4.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of U.S. person ▶	Date ▶
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### General Instructions

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

#### Purpose of Form

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA.

Use Form W-9 only if you are a U.S. person (including a resident alien), to provide your correct TIN to the person requesting it (the requester) and, when applicable, to:

1. Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued),
2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
3. Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on foreign partners' share of effectively connected income.

**Note.** If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7).

**Special rules for partnerships.** Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business. Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income.

The person who gives Form W-9 to the partnership for purposes of establishing its U.S. status and avoiding withholding on its allocable share of net income from the partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States is in the following cases:

- The U.S. owner of a disregarded entity and not the entity,
- The U.S. grantor or other owner of a grantor trust and not the trust, and
- The U.S. trust (other than a grantor trust) and not the beneficiaries of the trust.

**Foreign person.** If you are a foreign person, do not use Form W-9. Instead, use the appropriate Form W-8 (see Publication 515, Withholding of Tax on Nonresident Aliens and Foreign Entities).

**Nonresident alien who becomes a resident alien.** Generally, only a nonresident alien individual may use the terms of a tax treaty to reduce or eliminate U.S. tax on certain types of income. However, most tax treaties contain a provision known as a “saving clause.” Exceptions specified in the saving clause may permit an exemption from tax to continue for certain types of income even after the payee has otherwise become a U.S. resident alien for tax purposes.

If you are a U.S. resident alien who is relying on an exception contained in the saving clause of a tax treaty to claim an exemption from U.S. tax on certain types of income, you must attach a statement to Form W-9 that specifies the following five items:

1. The treaty country. Generally, this must be the same treaty under which you claimed exemption from tax as a nonresident alien.
2. The treaty article addressing the income.
3. The article number (or location) in the tax treaty that contains the saving clause and its exceptions.
4. The type and amount of income that qualifies for the exemption from tax.
5. Sufficient facts to justify the exemption from tax under the terms of the treaty article.

**Example.** Article 20 of the U.S.-China income tax treaty allows an exemption from tax for scholarship income received by a Chinese student temporarily present in the United States. Under U.S. law, this student will become a resident alien for tax purposes if his or her stay in the United States exceeds 5 calendar years. However, paragraph 2 of the first Protocol to the U.S.-China treaty (dated April 30, 1984) allows the provisions of Article 20 to continue to apply even after the Chinese student becomes a resident alien of the United States. A Chinese student who qualifies for this exception (under paragraph 2 of the first protocol) and is relying on this exception to claim an exemption from tax on his or her scholarship or fellowship income would attach to Form W-9 a statement that includes the information described above to support that exemption.

If you are a nonresident alien or a foreign entity not subject to backup withholding, give the requester the appropriate completed Form W-8.

**What is backup withholding?** Persons making certain payments to you must under certain conditions withhold and pay to the IRS a percentage of such payments. This is called “backup withholding.” Payments that may be subject to backup withholding include interest, tax-exempt interest, dividends, broker and barter exchange transactions, rents, royalties, nonemployee pay, and certain payments from fishing boat operators. Real estate transactions are not subject to backup withholding.

You will not be subject to backup withholding on payments you receive if you give the requester your correct TIN, make the proper certifications, and report all your taxable interest and dividends on your tax return.

#### **Payments you receive will be subject to backup withholding if:**

1. You do not furnish your TIN to the requester,
2. You do not certify your TIN when required (see the Part II instructions on page 3 for details),
3. The IRS tells the requester that you furnished an incorrect TIN,
4. The IRS tells you that you are subject to backup withholding because you did not report all your interest and dividends on your tax return (for reportable interest and dividends only), or
5. You do not certify to the requester that you are not subject to backup withholding under 4 above (for reportable interest and dividend accounts opened after 1983 only).

Certain payees and payments are exempt from backup withholding. See the instructions below and the separate Instructions for the Requester of Form W-9.

Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

### **Updating Your Information**

You must provide updated information to any person to whom you claimed to be an exempt payee if you are no longer an exempt payee and anticipate receiving reportable payments in the future from this person. For example, you may need to provide updated information if you are a C corporation that elects to be an S corporation, or if you no longer are tax exempt. In addition, you must furnish a new Form W-9 if the name or TIN changes for the account, for example, if the grantor of a grantor trust dies.

### **Penalties**

**Failure to furnish TIN.** If you fail to furnish your correct TIN to a requester, you are subject to a penalty of \$50 for each such failure unless your failure is due to reasonable cause and not to willful neglect.

**Civil penalty for false information with respect to withholding.** If you make a false statement with no reasonable basis that results in no backup withholding, you are subject to a \$500 penalty.

**Criminal penalty for falsifying information.** Willfully falsifying certifications or affirmations may subject you to criminal penalties including fines and/or imprisonment.

**Misuse of TINs.** If the requester discloses or uses TINs in violation of federal law, the requester may be subject to civil and criminal penalties.

### **Specific Instructions**

#### **Name**

If you are an individual, you must generally enter the name shown on your income tax return. However, if you have changed your last name, for instance, due to marriage without informing the Social Security Administration of the name change, enter your first name, the last name shown on your social security card, and your new last name.

If the account is in joint names, list first, and then circle, the name of the person or entity whose number you entered in Part I of the form.

**Sole proprietor.** Enter your individual name as shown on your income tax return on the “Name” line. You may enter your business, trade, or “doing business as (DBA)” name on the “Business name/disregarded entity name” line.

**Partnership, C Corporation, or S Corporation.** Enter the entity's name on the “Name” line and any business, trade, or “doing business as (DBA) name” on the “Business name/disregarded entity name” line.

**Disregarded entity.** Enter the owner's name on the “Name” line. The name of the entity entered on the “Name” line should never be a disregarded entity. The name on the “Name” line must be the name shown on the income tax return on which the income will be reported. For example, if a foreign LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for U.S. federal tax purposes has a domestic owner, the domestic owner's name is required to be provided on the “Name” line. If the direct owner of the entity is also a disregarded entity, enter the first owner that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. Enter the disregarded entity's name on the “Business name/disregarded entity name” line. If the owner of the disregarded entity is a foreign person, you must complete an appropriate Form W-8.

**Note.** Check the appropriate box for the federal tax classification of the person whose name is entered on the “Name” line (Individual/sole proprietor, Partnership, C Corporation, S Corporation, Trust/estate).

**Limited Liability Company (LLC).** If the person identified on the “Name” line is an LLC, check the “Limited liability company” box only and enter the appropriate code for the tax classification in the space provided. If you are an LLC that is treated as a partnership for federal tax purposes, enter “P” for partnership. If you are an LLC that has filed a Form 8832 or a Form 2553 to be taxed as a corporation, enter “C” for C corporation or “S” for S corporation. If you are an LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner under Regulation section 301.7701-3 (except for employment and excise tax), do not check the LLC box unless the owner of the LLC (required to be identified on the “Name” line) is another LLC that is not disregarded for federal tax purposes. If the LLC is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner, enter the appropriate tax classification of the owner identified on the “Name” line.

**Other entities.** Enter your business name as shown on required federal tax documents on the "Name" line. This name should match the name shown on the charter or other legal document creating the entity. You may enter any business, trade, or DBA name on the "Business name/disregarded entity name" line.

**Exempt Payee**

If you are exempt from backup withholding, enter your name as described above and check the appropriate box for your status, then check the "Exempt payee" box in the line following the "Business name/disregarded entity name," sign and date the form.

Generally, individuals (including sole proprietors) are not exempt from backup withholding. Corporations are exempt from backup withholding for certain payments, such as interest and dividends.

**Note.** If you are exempt from backup withholding, you should still complete this form to avoid possible erroneous backup withholding.

The following payees are exempt from backup withholding:

1. An organization exempt from tax under section 501(a), any IRA, or a custodial account under section 403(b)(7) if the account satisfies the requirements of section 401(f)(2),
  2. The United States or any of its agencies or instrumentalities,
  3. A state, the District of Columbia, a possession of the United States, or any of their political subdivisions or instrumentalities,
  4. A foreign government or any of its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities, or
  5. An international organization or any of its agencies or instrumentalities.
- Other payees that may be exempt from backup withholding include:
6. A corporation,
  7. A foreign central bank of issue,
  8. A dealer in securities or commodities required to register in the United States, the District of Columbia, or a possession of the United States,
  9. A futures commission merchant registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission,
  10. A real estate investment trust,
  11. An entity registered at all times during the tax year under the Investment Company Act of 1940,
  12. A common trust fund operated by a bank under section 584(a),
  13. A financial institution,
  14. A middleman known in the investment community as a nominee or custodian, or
  15. A trust exempt from tax under section 664 or described in section 4947.

The following chart shows types of payments that may be exempt from backup withholding. The chart applies to the exempt payees listed above, 1 through 15.

IF the payment is for . . .	THEN the payment is exempt for . . .
Interest and dividend payments	All exempt payees except for 9
Broker transactions	Exempt payees 1 through 5 and 7 through 13. Also, C corporations.
Barter exchange transactions and patronage dividends	Exempt payees 1 through 5
Payments over \$600 required to be reported and direct sales over \$5,000 <sup>1</sup>	Generally, exempt payees 1 through 7 <sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> See Form 1099-MISC, Miscellaneous Income, and its instructions.

<sup>2</sup> However, the following payments made to a corporation and reportable on Form 1099-MISC are not exempt from backup withholding: medical and health care payments, attorneys' fees, gross proceeds paid to an attorney, and payments for services paid by a federal executive agency.

**Part I. Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)**

**Enter your TIN in the appropriate box.** If you are a resident alien and you do not have and are not eligible to get an SSN, your TIN is your IRS individual taxpayer identification number (ITIN). Enter it in the social security number box. If you do not have an ITIN, see *How to get a TIN* below.

If you are a sole proprietor and you have an EIN, you may enter either your SSN or EIN. However, the IRS prefers that you use your SSN.

If you are a single-member LLC that is disregarded as an entity separate from its owner (see *Limited Liability Company (LLC)* on page 2), enter the owner's SSN (or EIN, if the owner has one). Do not enter the disregarded entity's EIN. If the LLC is classified as a corporation or partnership, enter the entity's EIN.

**Note.** See the chart on page 4 for further clarification of name and TIN combinations.

**How to get a TIN.** If you do not have a TIN, apply for one immediately. To apply for an SSN, get Form SS-5, Application for a Social Security Card, from your local Social Security Administration office or get this form online at [www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov). You may also get this form by calling 1-800-772-1213. Use Form W-7, Application for IRS Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, to apply for an ITIN, or Form SS-4, Application for Employer Identification Number, to apply for an EIN. You can apply for an EIN online by accessing the IRS website at [www.irs.gov/businesses](http://www.irs.gov/businesses) and clicking on Employer Identification Number (EIN) under Starting a Business. You can get Forms W-7 and SS-4 from the IRS by visiting [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676).

If you are asked to complete Form W-9 but do not have a TIN, write "Applied For" in the space for the TIN, sign and date the form, and give it to the requester. For interest and dividend payments, and certain payments made with respect to readily tradable instruments, generally you will have 60 days to get a TIN and give it to the requester before you are subject to backup withholding on payments. The 60-day rule does not apply to other types of payments. You will be subject to backup withholding on all such payments until you provide your TIN to the requester.

**Note.** Entering "Applied For" means that you have already applied for a TIN or that you intend to apply for one soon.

**Caution:** *A disregarded domestic entity that has a foreign owner must use the appropriate Form W-8.*

**Part II. Certification**

To establish to the withholding agent that you are a U.S. person, or resident alien, sign Form W-9. You may be requested to sign by the withholding agent even if item 1, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4 indicate otherwise.

For a joint account, only the person whose TIN is shown in Part I should sign (when required). In the case of a disregarded entity, the person identified on the "Name" line must sign. Exempt payees, see *Exempt Payee* on page 3.

**Signature requirements.** Complete the certification as indicated in items 1 through 3, below, and items 4 and 5 on page 4.

**1. Interest, dividend, and barter exchange accounts opened before 1984 and broker accounts considered active during 1983.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

**2. Interest, dividend, broker, and barter exchange accounts opened after 1983 and broker accounts considered inactive during 1983.** You must sign the certification or backup withholding will apply. If you are subject to backup withholding and you are merely providing your correct TIN to the requester, you must cross out item 2 in the certification before signing the form.

**3. Real estate transactions.** You must sign the certification. You may cross out item 2 of the certification.

**4. Other payments.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification unless you have been notified that you have previously given an incorrect TIN. "Other payments" include payments made in the course of the requester's trade or business for rents, royalties, goods (other than bills for merchandise), medical and health care services (including payments to corporations), payments to a nonemployee for services, payments to certain fishing boat crew members and fishermen, and gross proceeds paid to attorneys (including payments to corporations).

**5. Mortgage interest paid by you, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, qualified tuition program payments (under section 529), IRA, Coverdell ESA, Archer MSA or HSA contributions or distributions, and pension distributions.** You must give your correct TIN, but you do not have to sign the certification.

**What Name and Number To Give the Requester**

For this type of account:	Give name and SSN of:
1. Individual	The individual
2. Two or more individuals (joint account)	The actual owner of the account or, if combined funds, the first individual on the account <sup>1</sup>
3. Custodian account of a minor (Uniform Gift to Minors Act)	The minor <sup>2</sup>
4. a. The usual revocable savings trust (grantor is also trustee) b. So-called trust account that is not a legal or valid trust under state law	The grantor-trustee <sup>1</sup> The actual owner <sup>1</sup>
5. Sole proprietorship or disregarded entity owned by an individual	The owner <sup>3</sup>
6. Grantor trust filing under Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 1 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(A))	The grantor*
For this type of account:	Give name and EIN of:
7. Disregarded entity not owned by an individual	The owner
8. A valid trust, estate, or pension trust	Legal entity <sup>4</sup>
9. Corporation or LLC electing corporate status on Form 8832 or Form 2553	The corporation
10. Association, club, religious, charitable, educational, or other tax-exempt organization	The organization
11. Partnership or multi-member LLC	The partnership
12. A broker or registered nominee	The broker or nominee
13. Account with the Department of Agriculture in the name of a public entity (such as a state or local government, school district, or prison) that receives agricultural program payments	The public entity
14. Grantor trust filing under the Form 1041 Filing Method or the Optional Form 1099 Filing Method 2 (see Regulation section 1.671-4(b)(2)(i)(B))	The trust

<sup>1</sup> List first and circle the name of the person whose number you furnish. If only one person on a joint account has an SSN, that person's number must be furnished.

<sup>2</sup> Circle the minor's name and furnish the minor's SSN.

<sup>3</sup> You must show your individual name and you may also enter your business or "DBA" name on the "Business name/disregarded entity" name line. You may use either your SSN or EIN (if you have one), but the IRS encourages you to use your SSN.

<sup>4</sup> List first and circle the name of the trust, estate, or pension trust. (Do not furnish the TIN of the personal representative or trustee unless the legal entity itself is not designated in the account title.) Also see *Special rules for partnerships* on page 1.

\*Note. Grantor also must provide a Form W-9 to trustee of trust.

**Note.** If no name is circled when more than one name is listed, the number will be considered to be that of the first name listed.

**Secure Your Tax Records from Identity Theft**

Identity theft occurs when someone uses your personal information such as your name, social security number (SSN), or other identifying information, without your permission, to commit fraud or other crimes. An identity thief may use your SSN to get a job or may file a tax return using your SSN to receive a refund.

To reduce your risk:

- Protect your SSN,
- Ensure your employer is protecting your SSN, and
- Be careful when choosing a tax preparer.

If your tax records are affected by identity theft and you receive a notice from the IRS, respond right away to the name and phone number printed on the IRS notice or letter.

If your tax records are not currently affected by identity theft but you think you are at risk due to a lost or stolen purse or wallet, questionable credit card activity or credit report, contact the IRS Identity Theft Hotline at 1-800-908-4490 or submit Form 14039.

For more information, see Publication 4535, Identity Theft Prevention and Victim Assistance.

Victims of identity theft who are experiencing economic harm or a system problem, or are seeking help in resolving tax problems that have not been resolved through normal channels, may be eligible for Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) assistance. You can reach TAS by calling the TAS toll-free case intake line at 1-877-777-4778 or TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059.

**Protect yourself from suspicious emails or phishing schemes.**

Phishing is the creation and use of email and websites designed to mimic legitimate business emails and websites. The most common act is sending an email to a user falsely claiming to be an established legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information that will be used for identity theft.

The IRS does not initiate contacts with taxpayers via emails. Also, the IRS does not request personal detailed information through email or ask taxpayers for the PIN numbers, passwords, or similar secret access information for their credit card, bank, or other financial accounts.

If you receive an unsolicited email claiming to be from the IRS, forward this message to [phishing@irs.gov](mailto:phishing@irs.gov). You may also report misuse of the IRS name, logo, or other IRS property to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration at 1-800-366-4484. You can forward suspicious emails to the Federal Trade Commission at: [spam@uce.gov](mailto:spam@uce.gov) or contact them at [www.ftc.gov/idtheft](http://www.ftc.gov/idtheft) or 1-877-IDTHEFT (1-877-438-4338).

Visit [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) to learn more about identity theft and how to reduce your risk.

**Privacy Act Notice**

Section 6109 of the Internal Revenue Code requires you to provide your correct TIN to persons (including federal agencies) who are required to file information returns with the IRS to report interest, dividends, or certain other income paid to you; mortgage interest you paid; the acquisition or abandonment of secured property; the cancellation of debt; or contributions you made to an IRA, Archer MSA, or HSA. The person collecting this form uses the information on the form to file information returns with the IRS, reporting the above information. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation and to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. possessions for use in administering their laws. The information also may be disclosed to other countries under a treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce civil and criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism. You must provide your TIN whether or not you are required to file a tax return. Under section 3406, payers must generally withhold a percentage of taxable interest, dividend, and certain other payments to a payee who does not give a TIN to the payer. Certain penalties may also apply for providing false or fraudulent information.