Avoid Refund Delays

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Follow these tips to help prevent common issues.

YOUR VOICE AT THE IRS



Use your Form W-2, not your pay stub, to verify your income.

Your employer generally has until February 1 to issue your W-2. You should wait to receive it before you file.



Double check that your information is correct for yourself and your dependents.

Check name spellings, taxpayer identification numbers, dates of birth, addresses, and your bank account information.



Attach all forms and schedules before you submit your return.

Don't forget your W-2s, 1099s, and other attachments. This includes Form 8962 if you are claiming the Premium Tax Credit and Form 1099-G if you received unemployment income.



You need a 1098T from an educational institution to claim education expenses.

Schools have until January 31 to mail this form.



Be aware of tax software that imports prior year data automatically.

Make sure you're using current tax year data to avoid mistakes.