# **ICLUB**central

# 2015 Club State Tax Printer

for Club Accounting 3.2

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#### The 2015 Club State Tax Printer

This State Tax Printer program works by reading your Club Accounting data, performing certain calculations, and generating your tax forms. The program does not alter the data stored in the Club Accounting software. To properly use this program, your accounting records must be up-to-date. We recommend running the year-end wizard and the 2015 Club Federal Tax Printer before preparing your state tax return.

#### System Requirements

Use of this software requires at least:

- A compatible Windows operating system (Windows 2000/XP/Vista/7/8/10).
- 128 MB of RAM minimum (256 MB recommended).
- 30 MB of free hard drive space.
- Adobe Acrobat 6.0 or higher, available free from <u>www.adobe.com</u>.
- Club Accounting version 3.2 (CA3) or higher.
- A current Club Accounting Maintenance contract.

#### Installing the Club Tax Printer

There are two installation options:

#### Download the program installer from the Internet:

- Go to <u>www.iclub.com/taxes/download/</u>.
- Click on the appropriate tax printer program.
- The installation program launches automatically (if you select **Open**).

- If you choose not to allow automatic installation, or choose to **Save** the downloaded file to your computer, install the program manually by clicking on the **2015 Club Tax Printer Setup** icon in the location in which it was saved.
- You **do not** need to download the installer onto the computer on which Club Accounting 3 is installed. You may download it onto any computer and then transfer the installer to the computer on which Club Accounting 3 is installed via a thumb drive or other device, and then install the Tax Printer. If you have trouble downloading the installer, try this approach.

#### Install from a CD:

• Insert the CD into your computer's CD-ROM drive. The installation program should launch automatically.

*Note:* If Club Accounting 3 was open while the tax printer was being installed, you must close, and re-open Club Accounting 3 in order for the tax printer menu item to be displayed.

#### Special Note for Clubs in MA, NJ, and WI

**Investment club partnerships in Massachusetts** that meet **any one** of the following criteria must by law file electronically (E-FILE) and cannot use the ICLUBcentral Club State Tax Printer to submit a paper return (however, you may use the program to generate the input for the return and associated schedules).

- Have 25 or more partners (as determined by number of Schedule K-1s at the federal level or Schedule 3K-1s at the state level)
- Have more than \$50,000 in gross income (sum of interest, dividend, and other income)
- Have more than \$100,000 in stock sale proceeds (gross sales proceeds, not taxable capital gain).

New Jersey investment clubs with 10 or more members (as determined by the number of Schedule K-1 forms at the Federal level) must file their NJ-1065 over the Internet at the NJ state tax website. There are a significant number of calculations required to generate the input for the NJ-1065 return and associated schedules. The NJ Club State Tax Printer will make these calculations for you and prepare a full return which you can then transcribe to the web based forms.

**Partnerships in Wisconsin** must file electronically unless a waiver request has been approved by the state. A sample waiver form will be generated by the Club State Tax Printer which must be submitted according to the instructions. Once approval has been received, the club may submit the paper forms generated by the program.

# NOTE: Preparation of State Tax Returns for large clubs in California are now supported by the ICLUBcentral Club State Tax Printer.

#### Prepare the Club Data

Note: Skip this step if you have already run the 2015 Club Federal Tax Printer.

Before generating your tax forms, make sure that your accounting data is properly prepared. We recommend that you wait until you have all necessary data and have performed a reconciliation of all partnership accounts before completing your taxes. Necessary data includes your year-end brokerage and bank statements; all buys, sells, dividends, interest, and service charges through December 31, 2015; and Form 1099s issued by your financial institutions. *It is likely that you will not have this information until late in February*. Once you have all the necessary data and the club has conducted its annual audit, close the books for the year. Launch Club Accounting 3, and select **Tools** > **Year-end Tasks** from the menu. Follow the instructions to close your books.

#### Run the Club State Tax Printer

The Club State Tax Printer is not a separate program. It is part of Club Accounting 3. Simply select **Taxes** from the menu to start preparing your tax forms.



If you have multiple clubs set up in your Club Accounting software, each time the Tax Printer is launched you will need to select which club you wish to work with from a list of club names. If you would like to use the program to generate tax forms for several clubs, you will need to purchase a Tax Printer serial number for each club. See <a href="http://www.iclub.com">www.iclub.com</a> for more information purchasing additional serial numbers.

## **Register the Tax Printer**

When starting the tax printer for the first time, you will see the registration window. You must register your program via the Internet with your specific Tax Printer serial number before it is usable. Your Tax Printer serial number is proof that you purchased a license to use this program. It is included with your Tax Printer packaging. If you purchased the downloadable version of this program, your Tax Printer serial number will be provided via email and on your order receipt.

## About Draft and Final Forms

The Club State Tax Printer is often released before final forms have been released or approved by states. When you initially install the program, it may display preliminary forms with a "DRAFT" watermark. **These draft forms may not be used to file a tax return with your state.** They are provided so that you may get a head-start on the preparation of your forms, diagnose any possible technical problems, and ensure that your tax printer and club accounting software are working properly.

The Club State Tax Printer does have an automatic updater built into the program. Each time you start the Club Tax Printer, it will check the Internet to see if any updates are available. (You must be connected to the Internet in order for the auto-updater to work.) When an update is available, the program will download and automatically install the new version. To check the expected release schedule for your state's returns, please check <u>www.iclub.com</u> regularly throughout tax season.

#### Auto-Updating the Program with Final Forms

When an update to your Club Tax Printer is available, you will be prompted to have the program automatically download and install the new program. When final forms are released by the IRS, they will be implemented in the Club Tax Printer and delivered to your computer via this auto-updater.

Note: Users of Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows 10, or Windows Vista may see a Windows User Access Control (UAC) message asking "Do you want to allow the following program from an unknown publisher to make changes to this computer?" Click Yes, and a dialog box will appear. Click OK to continue with the installation.

#### Enter Your Club Information

Once you have registered, you will see a screen listing the states which are included in the 2015 Club State Tax Printer. Choose your state and click **OK**. On the following screens, you will be prompted to enter information about your club needed to generate your club's tax forms. The specific questions and input required vary by state. Please refer to the help files within the program for information that is relevant to your specific state's tax return forms. If necessary, you may use the program to complete the forms for more than one state for a single club.

#### Generate Your Tax Forms

You are now ready to print your state tax return. You should generate a complete return, and then, if your state requires a schedule similar to the Federal Schedule K-1, extra copies of this schedule for each member.

Check the appropriate boxes to print the main tax return and any additional schedules (as appropriate for your state).

**Create PDF Files.** Selecting **Finish** will generate forms in PDF format and launch Adobe Acrobat. From Adobe Acrobat, you can save or print your forms.

**Print Your Tax Forms.** To print forms, click on the printer icon or select the **File > Print** menu item after you have generated your club's tax return.

**Save Your Tax Forms.** To save tax forms to your computer, click on the disk icon or go to the **File > Save** menu item. The files will be saved in Adobe's PDF format. You may read these at any time using the Adobe Acrobat Reader.

Additional Notes. A "Partner's identifying number" for each member may be required for the club's tax return to be complete. If the message "No Tax ID

Entered" shows up next to a member's name, or that box is empty, that member's Social Security Number was not entered in the Club Accounting program. Write the numbers in by hand after printing the tax forms.

Select **Quit** to exit the Tax Printer.

#### Send to Your State Tax Agency

2015 Club State Tax Printer software prints returns and schedules required for filing your club's tax return in a format acceptable to your state's Tax Department. Instructions for what to send and where to send your return can be found on the cover sheet printed with the return.

#### Give to Your Members

If your state requires, give each member a copy of his/her state equivalent to Federal Schedule K-1. This schedule will be used in filing their personal state tax returns.

Individuals who withdrew from the club during the year must also be provided with the appropriate forms.

#### Keep for Club Records

The club should keep a copy of the full state return, all attached schedules, and any additional supporting statements and attachments as part of its permanent records. We recommend keeping the electronic PDF files in addition to paper copies.

#### **Common Problems and Release Notes**

- The Club State Tax Printer requires registration before the program can be run. Registration is done over the Internet from the registration screen.
- If you find the program taking a long time to load and/or print your Adobe Acrobat Reader and tax forms, your computer or printer may lack sufficient memory. Select fewer forms to print, then repeat the process.
- Links to forms and instructions are found in the program's help section.
- The 2015 Club State Tax Printer software uses Adobe Acrobat to generate your tax forms. A free copy of Adobe Acrobat Reader installs with the tax program, and can also be downloaded from <u>www.adobe.com</u>.

## Answers to Frequently Asked Questions

For more information about club tax filing, using the Club Tax Printer, and year-end accounting tasks, we suggest that you first use our **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)** searchable database available at <u>www.iclub.com/faq/</u>. The answers to the most common questions will likely be found here.

#### Helpful Web Links

For additional help, please refer to the following pages on the ICLUB.com web site:

• Club Tax Printer Product Info	www.iclub.com/taxes/
• Frequently Asked Questions	www.iclub.com/faq/
Club Tax Principles <u>www.icl</u>	ub.com/support/general_tax_principles.asp
• Understanding Club Tax Season	www.iclub.com/support/tax_season.asp
• Download Club Tax Printers	www.iclub.com/taxes/download/
• Investment Club Learning Center	www.iclub.com/clubs/iclub_hub.asp
• Free Club Webinars	v.iclub.com/clubs/webinar information.asp

#### **Requesting Technical Support from ICLUBcentral:**

Each year, your club's members look to you to make sure their taxes are filed in time. And each year, from December to March, ICLUBcentral's call volumes triple. We bring in extra help, update the FAQs, and give it our all to answer your questions. Your patience time is appreciated. Here's looking forward to a successful tax season!

Technical Support is available on our web site at <u>www.iclub.com/support/</u>. You may ask specific questions via our web form and review the *Frequently Asked Questions* section of the web *site* at <u>www.iclub.com/faq/</u> as well.

If you cannot solve your problem using the Frequently Asked Questions tool at <u>www.iclub.com/faq/</u>, the most efficient way to contact an ICLUBcentral Technical Support Representative is to use our web help forms located at <u>www.iclub.com/support/</u>. Our experts will then be able to retrieve and reply to your question quickly and efficiently.

Use the following guide to help our experts quickly answer your questions. Write down the precise wording of any error message displayed, including the names of any files mentioned in the message. Be familiar with:

- The version of Windows you are using.
- The amount of memory (RAM) on your computer.
- The make and model printer if you have a question regarding printing.
- Any security, firewall, or antivirus software running on your computer (Kaspersky, McAfee, Norton, etc.).
- Your Club Tax Printer serial number and purchase/installation date.

Note: Answers to questions about Club Tax Printer installation are included with purchase of the software. Questions about club accounting principles, tax issues, and the Club Accounting software are covered by your Maintenance Agreement. To receive full coverage, you must renew your Accounting Software Maintenance each year.

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