





### WHAT'S NEW FOR 2025

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# **Upcoming Webinars**



- Jan 20, 2026, 9:00-10:00 ET. Filing Your Investment Club's 2025 Taxes.
- Feb 17, 2026, 9:00-10:00 ET. 2025 Investment Club Tax
   Clinic.
- Replay on demand: Conducting an Investment Club Audit, on ICLUBcentral YouTube Channel: www.YouTube.com/ICLUBcentral.

# myICLUB.com Club Tax



- Federal: e-Filing & paper filing.
  - Expect release in January.
- State: e-Filing and/or paper filing offered for AZ, CA, CO, GA, IA, IN, MA, MD, MN, MO, NJ, NY, OK, OR, PA, WI.
  - Note: Other states may require filings (see <a href="https://www.mylCLUB.com/taxes/">www.mylCLUB.com/taxes/</a>).

Full details on club tax generation will be provided in January webinar.

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### What's New for Tax Year 2025?



- IRS eased requirements for Schedule K-2 & K-3.
  - "Small partnerships" typically exempt from filing forms used to report foreign income.
- Requirements for clubs that must use myICLUB Club Tax Deluxe expanded from last year.
  - More clubs with lots of transactions or that have complex transactions.

# What's Returning for 2025?



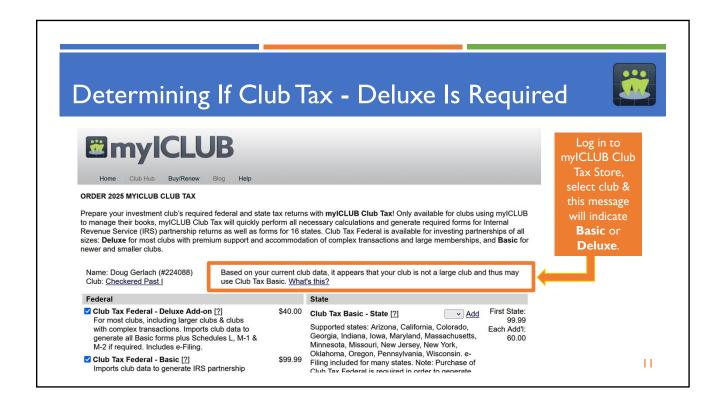
- **IRS Form 7004** e-Filing (to request automatic Form 1065 6-month extension) remains \$13.
- Club Tax Federal Deluxe Add-on for larger clubs & those with complex transactions remains \$40.
- Club Tax Federal Basic for newer & smaller clubs remains \$99.99.
- Club Tax State for Additional State \$60 (after 1st state at \$99.99).
- Club Tax Federal <u>Final</u> & Club Tax State <u>Final</u> for disbanding clubs.

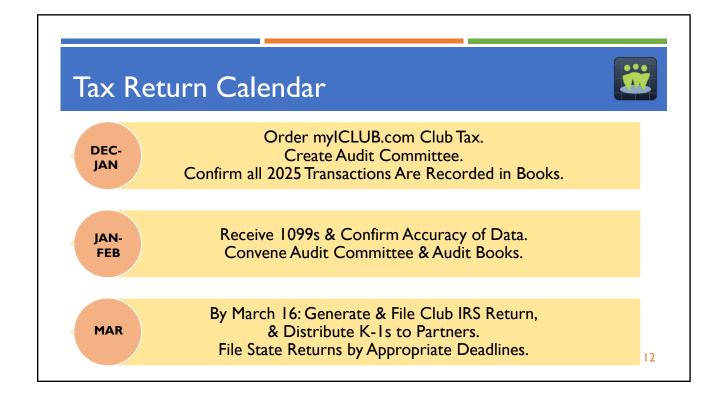
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### Clubs That Must Use Club Tax - Deluxe



- Have 30 partners or more (based on the number of K-1s in Form 1065), OR
- Have receipts (income + gains/losses) of \$250,000 or more, OR
- Have total assets of \$1 million or more (based on club value at any time in year), OR
- Owns complex securities or has wash sales, OR
- Opts to file Schedule M-3.
  - Schedule M-3 is optional unless the club has more than \$10 million in assets or more than \$35 million in receipts, then schedule M-3 becomes required.









### **CLOSING YOUR CLUB'S BOOKS**

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# What Is "Closing the Books?"



Series of suggested steps to:

- I. Ensure accuracy of club's books.
- 2. Catch errors before they compound & become incredibly difficult to resolve.
- 3. Provide members with details about club performance & results.
- 4. Comply with partnership tax law & prepare to generate federal & state tax returns.



### CHECK SETTINGS IN MYICLUB.COM

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# Use Recommended Allocation Setting



- Check that "Time-based" allocation method is selected.
  - Allocates income/expenses & gains/losses to members as of ownership on date of each transaction.
  - Fairer to members with different ownership levels during year.
- Default when club is set up, but ensure has not been changed.
- According to IRS, this method must be used if % ownership changes during year.

# Check "Time-based allocation" Method



In myICLUB.com, go to **Accounting > Utilities > Allocation Settings**.



#### Allocation Settings

Customize how your club's year-end allocation of income and expenses is performed with these advanced settings. Investment clubs formed in or after 2010 will not need to adjust these settings, and most investment clubs formed before 2010 will not need to adjust these settings more than once.

#### **Time-based Allocation Settings**

Accounting
Summary
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The time-based method allocates income and expenses from taxable transactions to each member at year-end according to the amount of the club each member owned at the time of the transaction. This is the default and the recommended method of allocating income and expenses as it is fairer for members. The non-time-based method allocates income and expenses according to the amount each member owned at the time of their withdrawal or as of the end of the club's fiscal year. This method was used before computerized club accounting software was developed and, while acceptable, can create less "fair" allocations, especially for members with significant changes in ownership in the club throughout the course of the year.

Select the method for your club Time based allocation

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# Use Recommended Reinvestment Setting



- **Do not** distribute/reinvest units.
  - It's needlessly complex & messes up return calculations
- Select 1st year you did/will not distribute units.
  - New clubs: Ist year of operation is selected by default & should never be changed.

# Select First Year Using Non-Reinvestment



In mylCLUB.com, go to **Accounting > Utilities > Allocation Settings**.

Cash Accounts

#### Utilities

Get stock quote
Backup manager
Import accounting records
Export accounting
records
Start club books
Enter
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#### Reinvestment of Allocated Income and Expenses

When first developed, investment club accounting followed a similar method of unit accounting as used by mutual funds, with year-end allocations of income and expenses reinvested in the purchase or sale of units in the club. Later, this reinvestment was deemed unnecessary, so the mandatory reinvestment of units as part of the year-end allocation was removed in mylCLUB.com. Members' cost basis (paid in plus earnings) are still adjusted by the year-end allocation, but no reinvestment of units occurs. Since clubs may have used reinvestment in the past, this setting allows those clubs to maintain accurate records before the switchover to the new, simpler allocation method. Allocations in years prior to the year selected will use the old methodology and reinvest units at year-end. Allocations starting with (and including) the year selected will use the new methodology and not units will not be adjusted. Effective with the 2010 year, reinvestment of units was discontinued entirely.

Select the year in which your club began using the new year-end allocation methodology if prior to 2010: 2006 v

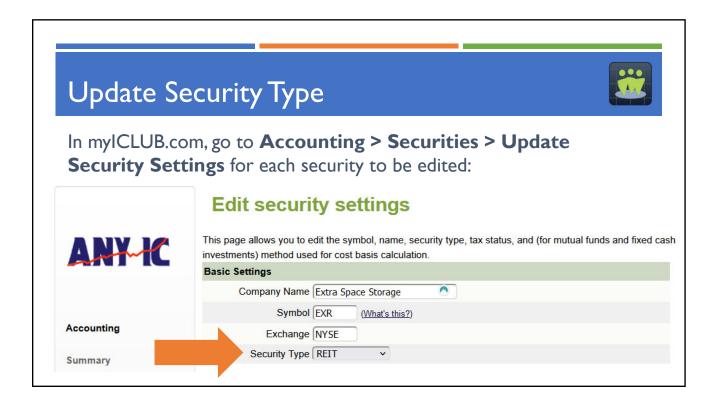
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# Correctly Identify Types of All Securities

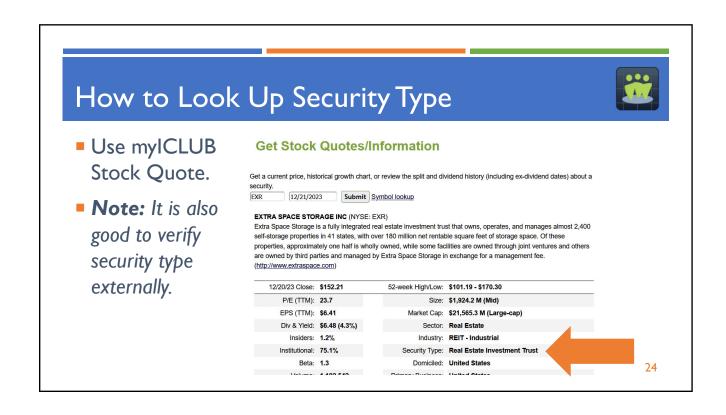


- Not all Securities are "Stocks."
- When first purchased in mylCLUB.com, many securities by default are identified as Common Stocks.
- If security is not "common stock," then treasurer must change in myICLUB.com in order for tax returns to be generated correctly.





### Common Security Types Set in Program As: **Security Type Stocks** Stock - Common **Mutual Funds** Mutual Fund Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) Stock - REIT Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs) Stock - Other Partnerships & Other Stock - Other Money Market, CD, Bond Fixed Income Digital Asset/Crypto Cryptocurrency



### Securities to Avoid in Clubs



- Some securities pose problems for clubs:
  - Gold/Precious Metals/Commodities (or ETFs that hold).
  - Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs).
  - Business Development Companies (BDCs).
  - Royalty Trusts, Publicly Traded Partnerships (PTPs), Master Limited Partnerships (MLPs).
  - Cryptocurrency.
  - Equity options.
- Problems include additional complexity for treasurer. workarounds, manual calculations, additional entries, additional tax forms.
  - Some of these require Club Tax Deluxe.
  - Contact mylCLUB.com for (limited) support on dealing with these securities.
- Sell NOW before another year passes to eliminate problems in future years.

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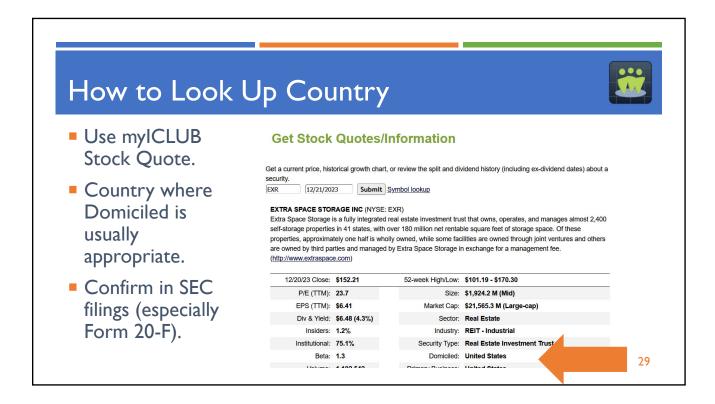
# Correctly Identify Countries of All Securities



- IRS is collecting information on "foreign" investments.
  - "Foreign" company is any company that is not a U.S. company.
  - ADRs are always "foreign companies."
- When first purchased in myICLUB.com, many countries are identified by default as being in **United States**.
- Treasurer must update Settings in myICLUB for these securities.



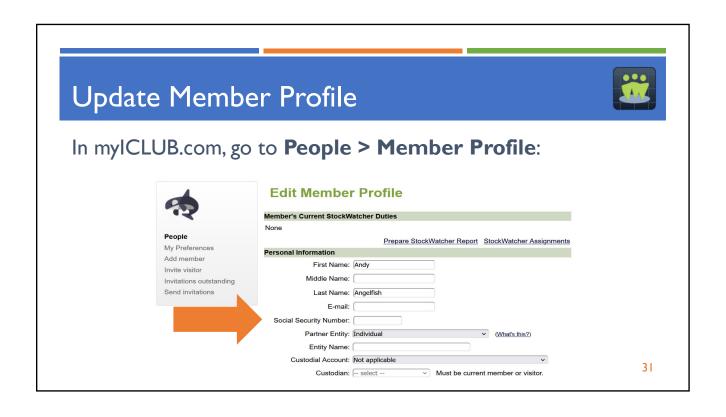


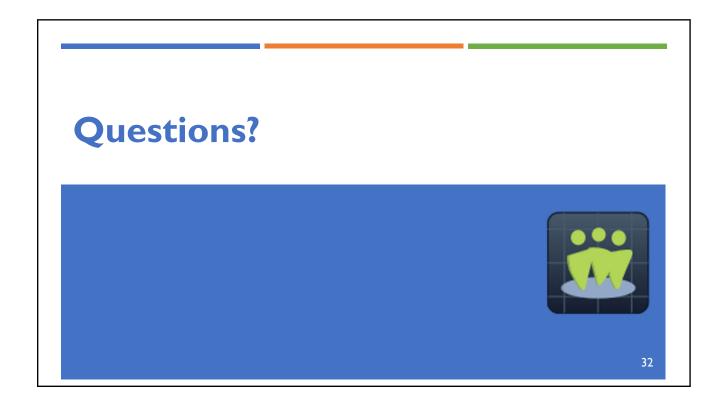


### **Ensure Member Information Is Correct**



- To prepare club's tax returns, make sure information in each member's profile is **correct**, especially:
  - Social Security/Tax ID numbers (required for tax filings).
  - Address.
  - Entity type (Individual, Trust, Custodial, etc.)
  - If member is "Foreign partner" (unsupported in Club Tax).
- Members can edit themselves, or administrator can edit.









### FINALIZE YEAR'S TRANSACTIONS

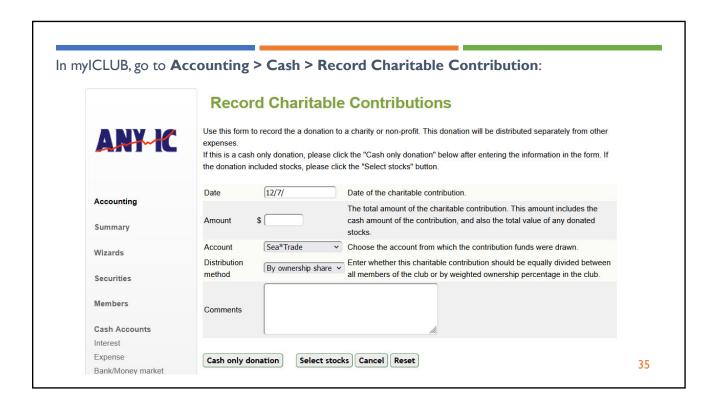
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# Consider Charitable Donations



- Club can donate securities or cash to qualifying charities.
  - mylCLUB.com is only program that supports donations of securities.
- Charitable deduction passes through to members.
- For donations of securities, cost basis is stepped up to present value (thus can avoid capital gains)!
  - Can be useful to reduce taxes on realized capital gains for overweighted position.



### Finalize Club Data in Books



Ensure all transactions up to & including 12/31 are entered in books.

#### HOWEVER:

- Do NOT enter withdrawal or other transaction on 12/31.
- Move to 12/30 any transaction that happened on 12/31.
- Move to 12/30 any mutual fund distribution that is paid in next year BUT taxable in prior year.

### Review Books for Problem Transactions



- Member "Fees" ONLY used for penalties.
  - Such as bounced check fees.
  - Do not use to try to offset expenses.
  - All other money put in by members should be recorded as Member Payments.
- Dividends from stocks ARE entered as "Security Transactions."
  - CANNOT be entered as Cash transactions.
  - Must include Ex-Dividend date to determine proper tax treatment.
  - Use Securities Distributions Report to review ex-dividend dates.
- Member Withdrawals NOT entered on valuation dates.

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# Use mylCLUB.com Reports



Various reports such as **Security Distributions** can be used to verify transactions.



#### **Security Distributions**





Report for dates from 1/1/2023 to 12/31/2023 (generated on 12/21/2023).

StockWatcher My Assigned Stocks Generate Report StockWatcher Assignments Club Watch List

Monthly

<u>Date</u> <u>Paid</u>	Ex-Div Date	<u>Security</u>	Qualifying Amount	Non-Qualifying Amount	<u>Remarks</u>
1/10/2023	12/15/2022	Air Lease	\$40.00	\$0.00	
1/19/2023	11/9/2022	Shell PLC	\$125.00	\$0.00	
1/31/2023	12/29/2022	Stryker	\$30.00	\$0.00	
2/1/2023	1/9/2023	Darden Restaurants	\$24.20	\$0.00	
2/16/2023	2/10/2023	<u>Apple</u>	\$92.92	\$0.00	
2/24/2023	1/25/2023	Royal Bank of Canada	\$13.20	\$0.00	





### YEAR-END VALUATIONS

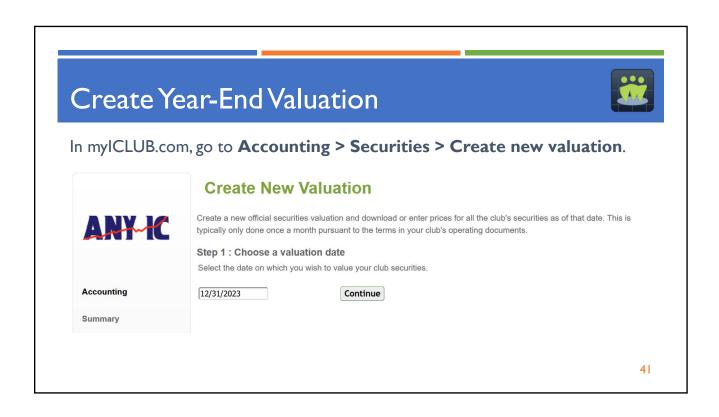
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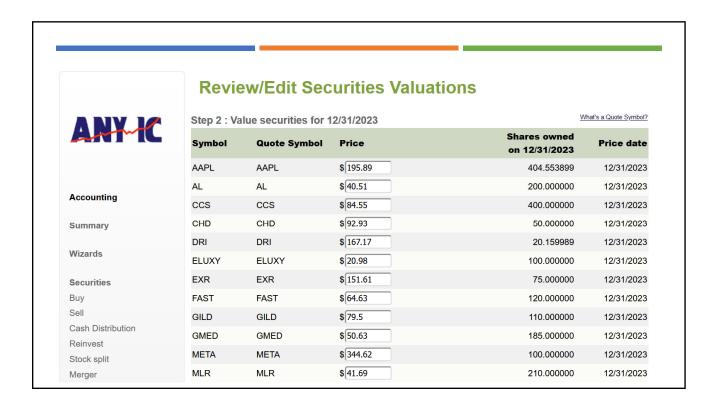
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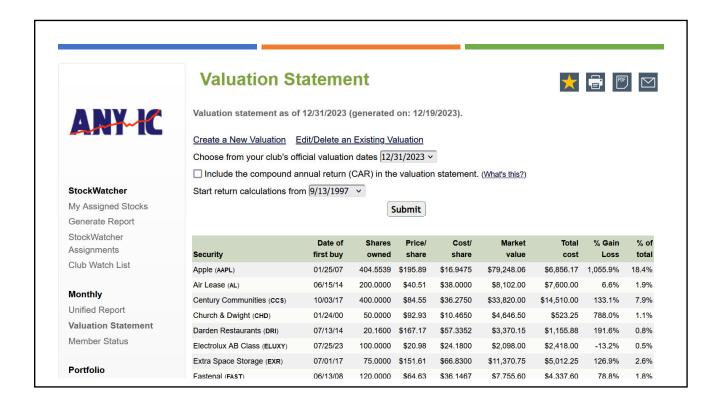
# Create Year-End Valuation



- Treasurer must create Securities Valuation/Valuation Statement for 12/31 to close out year.
  - If market closed on 12/31, security prices from last day market was open are used (still represents valuations as of 12/31).
  - This is only valuation required outside of typical monthly valuations.
  - Do not use Valuation Statement from December meeting.
- Remember, do not enter any transactions on 12/31 move these to 12/30.











# COLLECTING DOCUMENTS & ALLOCATING INCOME & EXPENSES

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# Collect Bank/Brokerage Tax Documents



- Year-end statements delivered in early January.
- Financial institutions & certain securities provide customers & IRS with required documents from January March.
  - Often delivered electronically, so look on brokerage website.
  - Often released prior to announcements.
  - May provide preliminary info if final is not available.
- IRS has deadlines, but not uncommon for brokerage firms to be late.

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### Financial Institution Documents to Expect



- By January 31, 2026:
  - 1099-DIV Dividends & Distributions.
  - 1099-INT Interest Income.
  - 1099-MISC Miscellaneous Income.
  - 1099-OID Original Issue Discount.
- By February 16, 2026 (Feb 15<sup>th</sup> in most years):
  - 1099-B Proceeds From Broker & Barter Exchange Transactions (or Consolidated 1099). (Most common for brokerage accounts).
- By March 16, 2026 (Mar 15th in most years):
  - K-I (Form 1065) Partner's Share of Income, Credits, Deductions, etc. (If club owns LP or similar entity, even if it trades on exchange, may have to request filing extension.)

### Reconcile Club Data



- Financial institution tax docs should always match what is reported to IRS.
  - However, exceptions are possible for spinoffs, merger with cash, other corporate actions.
- Verify club's books agree with bank/brokerage statements & 1099s.
  - Brokers required to report tax basis of sold stocks for lots bought after Jan 2011, so Form 1099s are complex.
- Check Form 1099 totals match:
  - Capital Gains Report, Allocation Report, Valuation Statement, Transaction Summary.

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# Conduct Annual Club Audit



See free Audit Checklist in mylCLUB File Storage.



Watch webinar replay on YouTube:



www.youtube.com/watch?v=pxClYhnL6jU

# Why Allocate Income & Expenses?



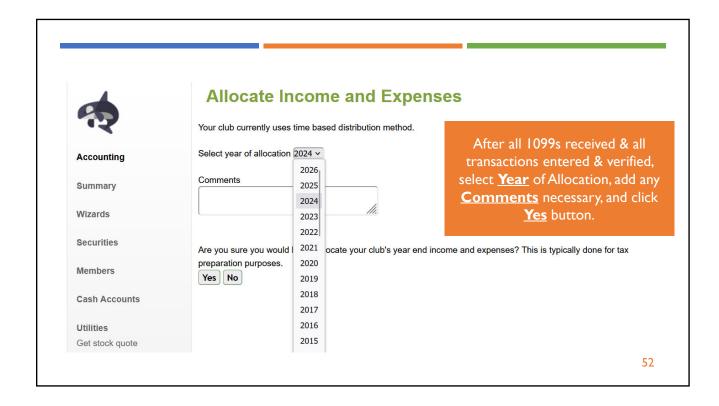
- Partnerships (& LLCs) are "pass-through" entities for tax purposes.
  - Partnership income not taxed federally or by most states instead is "passed through" to partners.
- Each year, must allocate each partner's share of income & expenses.
  - Income & expenses are allocated according to each partner's ownership percentage.
  - Required by partnership tax law to track member cost basis in club (PIPE).
- Note: According to tax law, expenses must be allocated by capital account ownership unless otherwise specified in partnership agreement.

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# Manually Allocate Income & Expenses



- After all transactions are entered in mylCLUB.com, <u>treasurer</u> must allocate income & expenses for entire year.
  - myICLUB.com: Accounting > Utilities > Allocate income & expenses
- Done only once each year at year-end, generally after receiving 1099s.
- Can re-generate if necessary.



# Extra Step for REITs, Mutual Funds, Other

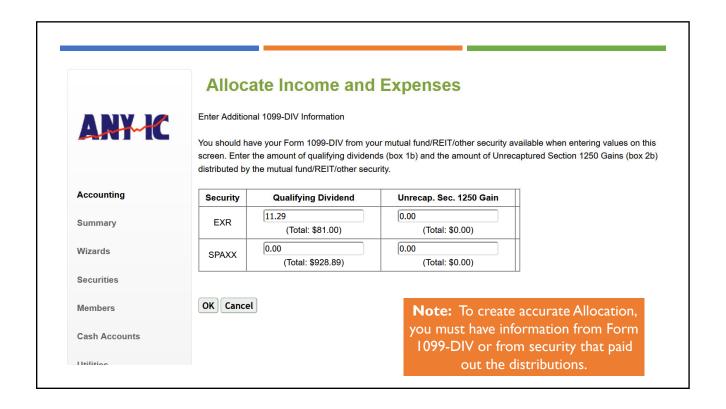


- If club owns REITs, Mutual Funds, or any "Other" securities, Allocation will prompt for amounts of Qualified Dividends & Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gains.
  - Total of Section 199A Dividend + Qualified Dividend on Form 1099 should be entered as "Dividend" in mylCLUB.
  - Total of Long-term Capital Gain Distribution + Unrecaptured Section 1250 Gain on Form 1099 should be entered as "Long-term Capital Gain Distribution" in mylCLUB.
  - Allocation process will differentiate these for tax filing.
- Figures can be found on brokerage's Form 1099 & also on REIT or fund website in early January.

# Handling Fund, ETF, & REIT Distributions



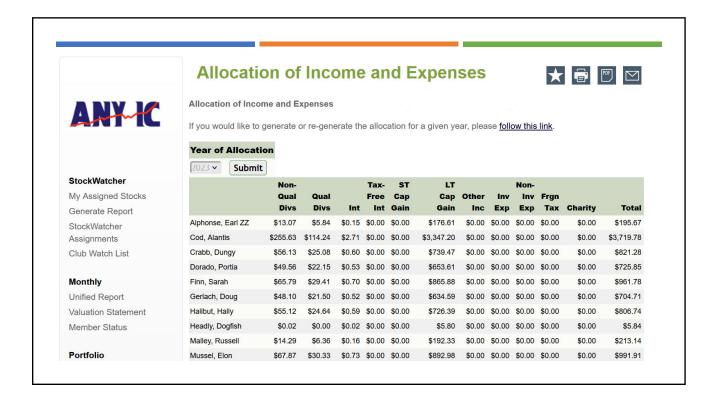
- At year-end, mutual funds, REITs, & ETFs report breakdown of quarterly/monthly distributions they paid during year.
  - These re-classifications require editing all past entries during year.
- Distributions can include:
  - Dividends.
  - Short-term & long-term gains.
  - Return of capital.
  - Interest.
- Other categories require manual entries in club books.
- If Allocation is done prior to receipt of above 1099 information, <u>treasurer must</u> redo Allocation after making above adjustments to past entries.



# Completing Allocation



- After Allocation is generated, provide copies or link to Report to members.
- **TIP:** Same amounts appear on members' K-Is after tax return is prepared & can be used to start their personal tax returns.
- IMPORTANT: If treasurer creates "preliminary" Allocation before all transactions are finalized/reconciled, members must know that it is subject to change.
- **NOTE:** If any transactions are changed after Allocation is created, treasurer must regenerate Allocation.
- REMINDER: As needed, treasurer can regenerate Allocation as many times as necessary prior to preparing tax returns.

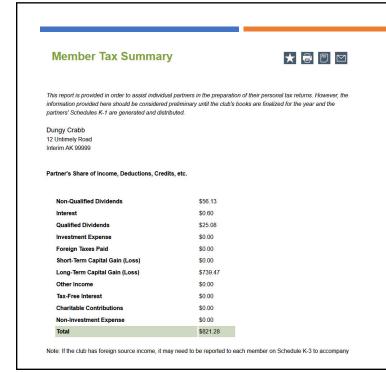


# Allocation Report Items



- Allocated Income & Expenses are reported to members on Schedule K-I when tax return is generated.
- Once Allocation has been generated by treasurer, Member Tax
   Summary Report is available for each member.
- This is useful for members wishing to get head start on their personal tax returns.

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- Summarizes each member's tax allocations.
- Can be useful when provided to member's personal tax preparer to help get started with member's individual tax return.
- Values should be considered preliminary until club tax return is finalized.





### **OTHER YEAR-END TASKS**

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# Provide Reports for Members



- Useful to remind members that they have access to:
  - Valuation Statement for 12/31.
  - Allocation of Income & Expenses for 1/1 to 12/31.
  - myICLUB Member Tax Summary Report:
    - Provides enough detail for tax preparer to begin work on member's return while awaiting K-1s.
    - No member should file individual return until club issues K-1s to members.
- Optionally:
  - Portfolio Diversification Reports & Club Performance/Benchmark Report (useful for year-end review).
  - Complete Journal for year.

# Ordering Club Tax



- Pre-order from Taxes tab in your <u>myICLUB.com</u> club website or call I-877-33-ICLUB.
- After pre-ordering, Club Tax will be released in Taxes tab of your mylCLUB.com website once IRS & state approvals are received.





# **GETTING HELP**

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# myICLUB.com Technical Support



- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ): www.myICLUB.com/faq/
- 2. myICLUB AI Chatbot (NEW!): www.myICLUB.com/ai/ask.aspx
- 3. Online Support: <a href="https://www.mylCLUB.com/support.aspx">www.mylCLUB.com/support.aspx</a>
- 4. Telephone Support: I-877-33-ICLUB
  - Open 9:30 AM to 6:00 PM ET, Mon Fri.
  - Open late Thurs until 9:00 PM ET for West Coast customers.
  - Busiest day is Monday plan your problems accordingly! ©

