

## WHAT THE HECK IS A

## 8879 FORM

Form **8879**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service**IRS e-file Signature Authorization**

► ERO must obtain and retain completed Form 8879.  
 ► Go to [www.irs.gov/Form8879](https://www.irs.gov/Form8879) for the latest information.

OMB No. 1545-0074

**2019**

Submission Identification Number (SID) ▶

Taxpayer's name

Social security number

Spouse's name

Spouse's social security number

**Part I Tax Return Information — Tax Year Ending December 31, 2019 (Whole dollars only)**

<b>1</b>	Adjusted gross income (Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 8b; Form 1040-NR, line 35)	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	Total tax (Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 16; Form 1040-NR, line 61)	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	Federal income tax withheld from Forms W-2 and 1099 (Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 17; Form 1040-NR, line 62a)	<b>3</b>
<b>4</b>	Refund (Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 21a; Form 1040-NR, line 73a; Form 1040-SS, Part I, line 13a)	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	Amount you owe (Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 23; Form 1040-NR, line 75)	<b>5</b>

**Part II Taxpayer Declaration and Signature Authorization (Be sure you get and keep a copy of your return)**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined a copy of my electronic individual income tax return and accompanying schedules and statements for the tax year ending December 31, 2019, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amounts in Part I above are the amounts from my electronic income tax return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send my return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an ACH electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of my federal taxes owed on this return and/or a payment of estimated tax, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. This authorization is to remain in full force and effect until I notify the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent to terminate the authorization. To revoke (cancel) a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537. Payment cancellation requests must be received no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I further acknowledge that the personal identification number (PIN) below is my signature for my electronic income tax return and, if applicable, my Electronic Funds Withdrawal Consent.

**Taxpayer's PIN: check one box only**

☐ I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ to enter or generate my PIN \_\_\_\_\_ as my  
 ERO firm name  
 signature on my tax year 2019 electronically filed income tax return.

☐ I will enter my PIN as my signature on my tax year 2019 electronically filed income tax return. Check this box **only** if you are entering your own PIN and your return is filed using the Practitioner PIN method. The ERO must complete Part III below.

Your signature ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ Date ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**Spouse's PIN: check one box only**

☐ I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ to enter or generate my PIN \_\_\_\_\_ as my  
 ERO firm name  
 signature on my tax year 2019 electronically filed income tax return.

☐ I will enter my PIN as my signature on my tax year 2019 electronically filed income tax return. Check this box **only** if you are entering your own PIN and your return is filed using the Practitioner PIN method. The ERO must complete Part III below.

Spouse's signature ▶ \_\_\_\_\_ Date ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

**Practitioner PIN Method Returns Only—continue below****Part III Certification and Authentication — Practitioner PIN Method Only**

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit EFIN followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.











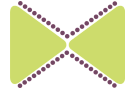






Don't enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature for the tax year 2019 electronically filed income tax return for the taxpayer(s) indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of the Practitioner PIN method and Pub. 1345, Handbook for Authorized IRS e-file Providers of Individual Income Tax Returns.



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This is the FEDERAL E-File Form! It should be one of the last steps of filing your return. It gives your preparer permission to E-file your return on your behalf.

This form is also a great summary of your return! It will show you what your refund is or what you owe.

It usually requires a "wet signature" and cannot be digitally signed (*this was waived during the COVID-19 Pandemic, check with your preparer for current ruling*).

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This part is your personal information! All of this should be filled out prior to your receiving it.

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Submission Identification Number (SID) ▶		
Taxpayer's name		Social security number
Spouse's name		Spouse's social security number

This is the summary of your Federal Return.  
Line 4 will show your Refund.  
Line 5 will show the amount you owe.

Part I Tax Return Information — Tax Year Ending December 31, 2019 (Whole dollars only)			
1	Adjusted gross income (Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 8b; Form 1040-NR, line 35)	1	
2	Total tax (Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 16; Form 1040-NR, line 61)	2	
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5	Amount you owe (Form 1040 or 1040-SR, line 23; Form 1040-NR, line 75)	5	

This part is your preparer's information! All of this should be filled out prior to your receiving it.

**Taxpayer's PIN: check one box only**

☐ I authorize \_\_\_\_\_ to enter or generate my PIN \_\_\_\_\_ as my signature on my tax year 2019 electronically filed income tax return.

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Enter five digits, but don't enter all zeros

☐ I will enter my PIN as my signature on my tax year 2019 electronically filed income tax return. Check this box **only** if you are entering your own PIN **and** your return is filed using the Practitioner PIN method. The ERO must complete Part III below.

This is where you sign! If you are filing jointly with a spouse, make sure they sign as well.

Your signature ▶	Date ▶
<b>Spouse's PIN: check one box only</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> I authorize _____ to enter or generate my PIN _____ as my signature on my tax year 2019 electronically filed income tax return.	
<input type="checkbox"/> I will enter my PIN as my signature on my tax year 2019 electronically filed income tax return. Check this box <b>only</b> if you are entering your own PIN <b>and</b> your return is filed using the Practitioner PIN method. The ERO must complete Part III below.	
Spouse's signature ▶	Date ▶

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Enter five digits, but don't enter all zeros