2023 PAYROLL YEAR-END GUIDE





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General Information





Dear Valued Client,

Happy Holidays! As we approach the end of 2023, we would like to keep you informed of some important dates.

Recording Items on W-2's

All payroll items (wages, bonuses, fringe benefits, etc.) that need to be recorded on your employees' 2023 W-2 must be submitted to PrestigePEO **no later than December 27, 2023 at 12PM EST**. Items submitted after this deadline will be subject to off-cycle payroll pocessing fee.

Payroll items submitted after 12PM EST on Wednesday, January 3, 2024 will require W-2c's (an amended W-2) to be issued to affected employees and will be subject to late processing/ filing fees (\$750 per return + 10% of total tax) per W-2c issued.

*PrestigePEO will be closed for the holidays on December 25, 2023 & January 1, 2024.

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We ask that you inform your Payroll Specialist in advance of the check date you would like to issue the bonus payrolls. **If bonus information cannot be supplied with regular payroll, please submit your bonus payroll at least 4 business days before the requested check date.** Many employees may elect to change or remove their retirement contributions from their bonus pay.

All BlueStar enrolled members must submit the attached signed document for this change. Please forward the completed form to the Retirement Services Department and copy your Payroll Specialist. Note: the form is needed at least 1 day prior to when you need to process your payroll.

BlueStar Bonus Deferral Form

Payroll Adjustments and Fringe Benefits

Final payroll adjustments or fringe benefits **must be reported with or before your last 2023 payroll**. Common items include:

- Personal use of company vehicles
- Taxable value of benefits paid by employer for S Corp owners greater than 2%
- Taxable fringe benefits such as employer-paid life insurance exceeding \$50k
- Third Party Sick Pay (due by January 3, 2024)

If you have questions regarding which fringe benefits should be recorded as W-2 wages, we recommend that you reach out to your Accountant and/or Financial Advisor before submitting to your Payroll Specialist.

Having Employees Review their Personal Information

Now is a great time to have your employees review their personal information to ensure their 2023 W-2's are accurate. They can access the PrestigePRO employee portal on our mobile app or at https://pea-ep.prismhr.com/#/auth/login to review:

Names and addresses - employees should confirm their home address and mailing address

Payroll Tax Withholding processing – employees should confirm that PrestigePEO is withholding federal, state, and local (if applicable) taxes correctly. As always, employees can contact their Payroll Specialist with any questions.

Electronic W-2's – Employees can elect to receive their W-2's directly on the PrestigePRO employee portal. Electronic W-2s will be available faster and help eliminate paper mail. If employees have enrolled previously, they do not need to do so again.

\mathcal{G}_{∞} Terminated Employees

We would recommend that you review your list of employees in PrestigePRO and verify that all appropriate termination information has been submitted. Employees who are active or on leave of absence will remain in PrestigePRO.



W-2 Form Breakdown



Interpreting the Income Boxes on the Form W-2

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For help in reading and understanding your W2, or if your employees need assistance in doing so, please send them this <u>instructional video</u>.



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Form W-2 versus Final Pay Stub

Understanding the difference between a final pay stub and Form W-2 is important. When employees receive their W-2, they might notice the earnings on their last paycheck stub are different from the reported earnings on their W-2.

Typically, this is attributed to one of three different scenarios:

• The company offers health insurance that is a pre-tax deduction.

This is the most common reason for the employee's pay stub earnings to be different from those on the Form W-2. If the employee participated in the company's pre-tax health insurance, the taxable wages in Boxes 1, 3, 5, 16 and 18 will be lower than the amount of the pre-tax health insurance deduction. Pre-tax deductions lower the gross wages by the annual amount of the deduction.

Example: Jane's gross wages are 30,000, but during the year she contributed 3,000 to a pre-tax health insurance deduction. Jane's taxable Form W-2 wages are 27,000. (30,000 - 3,000 = 27,000)

• Participation in a company-sponsored retirement plan.

These types of plans, such as a 401(k), reduce only the taxable Federal and State and local wages. It does not reduce Social Security and Medicare taxable. Those amounts are reported in Boxes 1 and 16 and 18 (if applicable).

Example: Sondra's gross wages are \$30,000, but over the course of the year she contributed \$2,500 towards her 401(k) retirement. Sondra's federal and state Form W-2 wages are \$27,500. (30,000 - 2,500 = 27,500)

• Earnings include non-taxable income items:

Non-taxable income can include reimbursement for mileage or other non-taxable expenses the employee incurred that were reimbursed to the employee in a payroll. As a result, the gross wages on the employee's pay stub often differ from the Boxes 1, 3, 5, 16 and 18 wages on the Form W-2 because the non-taxable item lowers the gross taxable wages.

Example: Maurice's gross wages are \$30,000, but over the course of the year, he received \$2,000 towards a non-taxed car allowance. Maurice's taxable Form W-2 wages are \$28,000. (30,000 - 2,000 = 28,000)



W-4 Form Breakdown



W-4 Form Breakdown



Please note: Allowances (pre-2020) and dependents are not the same. For example, a filing status of single with 2 allowances is not the same as a filing status of single with \$1,000 or \$4,000 in dependents. Your Accountant or Tax Professional can help you calculate the equivalent.



Updating IRS Form W-4 Through Your Employee Self-Service (ESS) Portal



What is IRS Form W-4?

Form W-4, also known as the Employee's Withholding Certificate, is an IRS form that employees use to help their employer determine how much Federal Income Tax to withhold from each paycheck.

Effective January 1st, 2020, the IRS released a new format of the Form W-4, no longer allowing employees to claim allowances. The various tax changes of the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act ultimately prompted the IRS to redesign the form.

Completing IRS Form W-4

To login to the Employee Self-Service Portal, go to <u>https://pea-ep.prismhr.com</u>

You may also use the PrestigeGO mobile app on your iPhone or Android.

- 1. From your ESS Dashboard, click Taxes
- 2. Under Taxes, click Tax Withholding

Your current Federal and State (if applicable) tax information will appear

3. Click **Update Forms** to change your current withholding

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- 1. Determine if you are exempt or not exempt from withholding Please note: If you are exempt, skip to Step 12 where you can review and submit the form
- 2. Click Next



Step 8

- 1. Select a filing status
- 2. Click Next





- 1. Based on the criteria, select one of the three options Please note: Option 1 has a couple of steps that need to be completed before proceeding to the next part of the document
- 2. Click Next



Option 1 - I want to use the worksheet to calculate roughly accurate withholding

- 1. Select two (2) or three (3) jobs
- 2. Click Next



Option 1 (continued)

- 1. Use the worksheet to compute an estimate withholding
- 2. For two (2) jobs, enter the information in boxes 1 and 3; box 4 will auto-calculate for you
- 3. Click Next

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- 4. For three (3) jobs, enter the information in boxes 2a, 2b, and 3; boxes 2c and 4 will auto-calculate for you
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- 1. Determine if you would like to claim any dependents
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- 4. If you are claiming dependents, complete these three (3) steps
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- 6. If you expect to claim deductions other than the standard deduction and want to reduce your withholding, complete these steps
- 7. Click Next

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itep 4	5. Add line 3 and 4. Enter the result here and in Step 4(b) of Form W.4.
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- Review the form for accuracy
- Print/Save a copy for your records
- When ready to submit, check the box .
- Click Submit Form

Please review the document below

If you would like to make any changes, you may return to the previous page.

If you would like to submit this form, please agree to the terms below.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that this certificate, to the best of my knowledge and belief, is true, correct, and complete.

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Thank you in advance for your cooperation as we approach the end of 2023. We always appreciate the opportunity to offer you and your employees personalized one-on-one service. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to your dedicated Payroll Specialist.

Best Regards,

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