

## General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code.

### Future Developments

For the latest information about developments related to Form W-4, such as legislation enacted after it was published, go to [www.irs.gov/FormW4](http://www.irs.gov/FormW4).

### Purpose of Form

Complete Form W-4 so that your employer can withhold the correct federal income tax from your pay. If too little is withheld, you will generally owe tax when you file your tax return and may owe a penalty. If too much is withheld, you will generally be due a refund. Complete a new Form W-4 when changes to your personal or financial situation would change the entries on the form. For more information on withholding and when you must furnish a new Form W-4, see Pub. 505, Tax Withholding and Estimated Tax.

**Exemption from withholding.** You may claim exemption from withholding for 2022 if you meet both of the following conditions: you had no federal income tax liability in 2021 **and** you expect to have no federal income tax liability in 2022. You had no federal income tax liability in 2021 if (1) your total tax on line 24 on your 2021 Form 1040 or 1040-SR is zero (or less than the sum of lines 27a, 28, 29, and 30), or (2) you were not required to file a return because your income was below the filing threshold for your correct filing status. If you claim exemption, you will have no income tax withheld from your paycheck and may owe taxes and penalties when you file your 2022 tax return. To claim exemption from withholding, certify that you meet both of the conditions above by writing "Exempt" on Form W-4 in the space below Step 4(c). Then, complete Steps 1(a), 1(b), and 5. Do not complete any other steps. You will need to submit a new Form W-4 by February 15, 2023.

**Your privacy.** If you prefer to limit information provided in Steps 2 through 4, use the online estimator, which will also increase accuracy.

As an alternative to the estimator: if you have concerns with Step 2(c), you may choose Step 2(b); if you have concerns with Step 4(a), you may enter an additional amount you want withheld per pay period in Step 4(c). If this is the only job in your household, you may instead check the box in Step 2(c), which will increase your withholding and significantly reduce your paycheck (often by thousands of dollars over the year).

**When to use the estimator.** Consider using the estimator at [www.irs.gov/W4App](http://www.irs.gov/W4App) if you:

1. Expect to work only part of the year;
2. Have dividend or capital gain income, or are subject to additional taxes, such as Additional Medicare Tax;
3. Have self-employment income (see below); or
4. Prefer the most accurate withholding for multiple job situations.

**Self-employment.** Generally, you will owe both income and self-employment taxes on any self-employment income you receive separate from the wages you receive as an employee. If you want to pay these taxes through withholding from your wages, use the estimator at [www.irs.gov/W4App](http://www.irs.gov/W4App) to figure the amount to have withheld.

**Nonresident alien.** If you're a nonresident alien, see Notice 1392, Supplemental Form W-4 Instructions for Nonresident Aliens, before completing this form.

## Specific Instructions

**Step 1(c).** Check your anticipated filing status. This will determine the standard deduction and tax rates used to compute your withholding.

**Step 2.** Use this step if you (1) have more than one job at the same time, or (2) are married filing jointly and you and your spouse both work.

Option **(a)** most accurately calculates the additional tax you need to have withheld, while option **(b)** does so with a little less accuracy.

If you (and your spouse) have a total of only two jobs, you may instead check the box in option **(c)**. The box must also be checked on the Form W-4 for the other job. If the box is checked, the standard deduction and tax brackets will be cut in half for each job to calculate withholding. This option is roughly accurate for jobs with similar pay; otherwise, more tax than necessary may be withheld, and this extra amount will be larger the greater the difference in pay is between the two jobs.



**Multiple jobs.** Complete Steps 3 through 4(b) on only one Form W-4. Withholding will be most accurate if you do this on the Form W-4 for the highest paying job.

**Step 3.** This step provides instructions for determining the amount of the child tax credit and the credit for other dependents that you may be able to claim when you file your tax return. To qualify for the child tax credit, the child must be under age 17 as of December 31, must be your dependent who generally lives with you for more than half the year, and must have the required social security number. You may be able to claim a credit for other dependents for whom a child tax credit can't be claimed, such as an older child or a qualifying relative. For additional eligibility requirements for these credits, see Pub. 501, Dependents, Standard Deduction, and Filing Information. You can also include **other tax credits** for which you are eligible in this step, such as the foreign tax credit and the education tax credits. To do so, add an estimate of the amount for the year to your credits for dependents and enter the total amount in Step 3. Including these credits will increase your paycheck and reduce the amount of any refund you may receive when you file your tax return.

### Step 4 (optional).

**Step 4(a).** Enter in this step the total of your other estimated income for the year, if any. You shouldn't include income from any jobs or self-employment. If you complete Step 4(a), you likely won't have to make estimated tax payments for that income. If you prefer to pay estimated tax rather than having tax on other income withheld from your paycheck, see Form 1040-ES, Estimated Tax for Individuals.

**Step 4(b).** Enter in this step the amount from the Deductions Worksheet, line 5, if you expect to claim deductions other than the basic standard deduction on your 2022 tax return and want to reduce your withholding to account for these deductions. This includes both itemized deductions and other deductions such as for student loan interest and IRAs.

**Step 4(c).** Enter in this step any additional tax you want withheld from your pay **each pay period**, including any amounts from the Multiple Jobs Worksheet, line 4. Entering an amount here will reduce your paycheck and will either increase your refund or reduce any amount of tax that you owe.

Step 2(b) – Multiple Jobs Worksheet (Keep for your records.)



If you choose the option in Step 2(b) on Form W-4, complete this worksheet (which calculates the total extra tax for all jobs) on only ONE Form W-4. Withholding will be most accurate if you complete the worksheet and enter the result on the Form W-4 for the highest paying job.

Note: If more than one job has annual wages of more than \$120,000 or there are more than three jobs, see Pub. 505 for additional tables; or, you can use the online withholding estimator at www.irs.gov/W4App.

- 1 Two jobs. If you have two jobs or you're married filing jointly and you and your spouse each have one job, find the amount from the appropriate table on page 4. Using the "Higher Paying Job" row and the "Lower Paying Job" column, find the value at the intersection of the two household salaries and enter that value on line 1. Then, skip to line 3
2 Three jobs. If you and/or your spouse have three jobs at the same time, complete lines 2a, 2b, and 2c below. Otherwise, skip to line 3.
a Find the amount from the appropriate table on page 4 using the annual wages from the highest paying job in the "Higher Paying Job" row and the annual wages for your next highest paying job in the "Lower Paying Job" column. Find the value at the intersection of the two household salaries and enter that value on line 2a
b Add the annual wages of the two highest paying jobs from line 2a together and use the total as the wages in the "Higher Paying Job" row and use the annual wages for your third job in the "Lower Paying Job" column to find the amount from the appropriate table on page 4 and enter this amount on line 2b
c Add the amounts from lines 2a and 2b and enter the result on line 2c
3 Enter the number of pay periods per year for the highest paying job. For example, if that job pays weekly, enter 52; if it pays every other week, enter 26; if it pays monthly, enter 12, etc.
4 Divide the annual amount on line 1 or line 2c by the number of pay periods on line 3. Enter this amount here and in Step 4(c) of Form W-4 for the highest paying job (along with any other additional amount you want withheld)

Step 4(b) – Deductions Worksheet (Keep for your records.)



- 1 Enter an estimate of your 2022 itemized deductions (from Schedule A (Form 1040)). Such deductions may include qualifying home mortgage interest, charitable contributions, state and local taxes (up to \$10,000), and medical expenses in excess of 7.5% of your income
2 Enter: { \$25,900 if you're married filing jointly or qualifying widow(er), \$19,400 if you're head of household, \$12,950 if you're single or married filing separately }
3 If line 1 is greater than line 2, subtract line 2 from line 1 and enter the result here. If line 2 is greater than line 1, enter "-0-"
4 Enter an estimate of your student loan interest, deductible IRA contributions, and certain other adjustments (from Part II of Schedule 1 (Form 1040)). See Pub. 505 for more information
5 Add lines 3 and 4. Enter the result here and in Step 4(b) of Form W-4

Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice. We ask for the information on this form to carry out the Internal Revenue laws of the United States. Internal Revenue Code sections 3402(f)(2) and 6109 and their regulations require you to provide this information; your employer uses it to determine your federal income tax withholding. Failure to provide a properly completed form will result in your being treated as a single person with no other entries on the form; providing fraudulent information may subject you to penalties. Routine uses of this information include giving it to the Department of Justice for civil and criminal litigation; to cities, states, the District of Columbia, and U.S. commonwealths and possessions for use in administering their tax laws; and to the Department of Health and Human Services for use in the National Directory of New Hires. We may also disclose this information to other countries under a tax treaty, to federal and state agencies to enforce federal nontax criminal laws, or to federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies to combat terrorism.

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The average time and expenses required to complete and file this form will vary depending on individual circumstances. For estimated averages, see the instructions for your income tax return.

If you have suggestions for making this form simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. See the instructions for your income tax return.

**Married Filing Jointly or Qualifying Widow(er)**

Higher Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary	Lower Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary											
	\$0 - 9,999	\$10,000 - 19,999	\$20,000 - 29,999	\$30,000 - 39,999	\$40,000 - 49,999	\$50,000 - 59,999	\$60,000 - 69,999	\$70,000 - 79,999	\$80,000 - 89,999	\$90,000 - 99,999	\$100,000 - 109,999	\$110,000 - 120,000
\$0 - 9,999	\$0	\$110	\$850	\$860	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,770	\$1,870
\$10,000 - 19,999	110	1,110	1,860	2,060	2,220	2,220	2,220	2,220	2,220	2,970	3,970	4,070
\$20,000 - 29,999	850	1,860	2,800	3,000	3,160	3,160	3,160	3,160	3,910	4,910	5,910	6,010
\$30,000 - 39,999	860	2,060	3,000	3,200	3,360	3,360	3,360	4,110	5,110	6,110	7,110	7,210
\$40,000 - 49,999	1,020	2,220	3,160	3,360	3,520	3,520	4,270	5,270	6,270	7,270	8,270	8,370
\$50,000 - 59,999	1,020	2,220	3,160	3,360	3,520	4,270	5,270	6,270	7,270	8,270	9,270	9,370
\$60,000 - 69,999	1,020	2,220	3,160	3,360	4,270	5,270	6,270	7,270	8,270	9,270	10,270	10,370
\$70,000 - 79,999	1,020	2,220	3,160	4,110	5,270	6,270	7,270	8,270	9,270	10,270	11,270	11,370
\$80,000 - 99,999	1,020	2,820	4,760	5,960	7,120	8,120	9,120	10,120	11,120	12,120	13,150	13,450
\$100,000 - 149,999	1,870	4,070	6,010	7,210	8,370	9,370	10,510	11,710	12,910	14,110	15,310	15,600
\$150,000 - 239,999	2,040	4,440	6,580	7,980	9,340	10,540	11,740	12,940	14,140	15,340	16,540	16,830
\$240,000 - 259,999	2,040	4,440	6,580	7,980	9,340	10,540	11,740	12,940	14,140	15,340	16,540	17,590
\$260,000 - 279,999	2,040	4,440	6,580	7,980	9,340	10,540	11,740	12,940	14,140	16,100	18,100	19,190
\$280,000 - 299,999	2,040	4,440	6,580	7,980	9,340	10,540	11,740	13,700	15,700	17,700	19,700	20,790
\$300,000 - 319,999	2,040	4,440	6,580	7,980	9,340	11,300	13,300	15,300	17,300	19,300	21,300	22,390
\$320,000 - 364,999	2,100	5,300	8,240	10,440	12,600	14,600	16,600	18,600	20,600	22,600	24,870	26,260
\$365,000 - 524,999	2,970	6,470	9,710	12,210	14,670	16,970	19,270	21,570	23,870	26,170	28,470	29,870
\$525,000 and over	3,140	6,840	10,280	12,980	15,640	18,140	20,640	23,140	25,640	28,140	30,640	32,240

**Single or Married Filing Separately**

Higher Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary	Lower Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary											
	\$0 - 9,999	\$10,000 - 19,999	\$20,000 - 29,999	\$30,000 - 39,999	\$40,000 - 49,999	\$50,000 - 59,999	\$60,000 - 69,999	\$70,000 - 79,999	\$80,000 - 89,999	\$90,000 - 99,999	\$100,000 - 109,999	\$110,000 - 120,000
\$0 - 9,999	\$400	\$930	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,250	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,970	\$2,040	\$2,040
\$10,000 - 19,999	930	1,570	1,660	1,890	2,890	3,510	3,510	3,510	3,610	3,810	3,880	3,880
\$20,000 - 29,999	1,020	1,660	1,990	2,990	3,990	4,610	4,610	4,710	4,910	5,110	5,180	5,180
\$30,000 - 39,999	1,020	1,890	2,990	3,990	4,990	5,610	5,710	5,910	6,110	6,310	6,380	6,380
\$40,000 - 59,999	1,870	3,510	4,610	5,610	6,680	7,500	7,700	7,900	8,100	8,300	8,370	8,370
\$60,000 - 79,999	1,870	3,510	4,680	5,880	7,080	7,900	8,100	8,300	8,500	8,700	8,970	9,770
\$80,000 - 99,999	1,940	3,780	5,080	6,280	7,480	8,300	8,500	8,700	9,100	10,100	10,970	11,770
\$100,000 - 124,999	2,040	3,880	5,180	6,380	7,580	8,400	9,140	10,140	11,140	12,140	13,040	14,140
\$125,000 - 149,999	2,040	3,880	5,180	6,520	8,520	10,140	11,140	12,140	13,320	14,620	15,790	16,890
\$150,000 - 174,999	2,040	4,420	6,520	8,520	10,520	12,170	13,470	14,770	16,070	17,370	18,540	19,640
\$175,000 - 199,999	2,720	5,360	7,460	9,630	11,930	13,860	15,160	16,460	17,760	19,060	20,230	21,330
\$200,000 - 249,999	2,970	5,920	8,310	10,610	12,910	14,840	16,140	17,440	18,740	20,040	21,210	22,310
\$250,000 - 399,999	2,970	5,920	8,310	10,610	12,910	14,840	16,140	17,440	18,740	20,040	21,210	22,310
\$400,000 - 449,999	2,970	5,920	8,310	10,610	12,910	14,840	16,140	17,440	18,740	20,040	21,210	22,470
\$450,000 and over	3,140	6,290	8,880	11,380	13,880	16,010	17,510	19,010	20,510	22,010	23,380	24,680

**Head of Household**

Higher Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary	Lower Paying Job Annual Taxable Wage & Salary											
	\$0 - 9,999	\$10,000 - 19,999	\$20,000 - 29,999	\$30,000 - 39,999	\$40,000 - 49,999	\$50,000 - 59,999	\$60,000 - 69,999	\$70,000 - 79,999	\$80,000 - 89,999	\$90,000 - 99,999	\$100,000 - 109,999	\$110,000 - 120,000
\$0 - 9,999	\$0	\$760	\$910	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,020	\$1,190	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$1,870	\$2,040	\$2,040
\$10,000 - 19,999	760	1,820	2,110	2,220	2,220	2,390	3,390	4,070	4,070	4,240	4,440	4,440
\$20,000 - 29,999	910	2,110	2,400	2,510	2,680	3,680	4,680	5,360	5,530	5,730	5,930	5,930
\$30,000 - 39,999	1,020	2,220	2,510	2,790	3,790	4,790	5,790	6,640	6,840	7,040	7,240	7,240
\$40,000 - 59,999	1,020	2,240	3,530	4,640	5,640	6,780	7,980	8,860	9,060	9,260	9,460	9,460
\$60,000 - 79,999	1,870	4,070	5,360	6,610	7,810	9,010	10,210	11,090	11,290	11,490	11,690	12,170
\$80,000 - 99,999	1,870	4,210	5,700	7,010	8,210	9,410	10,610	11,490	11,690	12,380	13,370	14,170
\$100,000 - 124,999	2,040	4,440	5,930	7,240	8,440	9,640	10,860	12,540	13,540	14,540	15,540	16,480
\$125,000 - 149,999	2,040	4,440	5,930	7,240	8,860	10,860	12,860	14,540	15,540	16,830	18,130	19,230
\$150,000 - 174,999	2,040	4,460	6,750	8,860	10,860	12,860	15,000	16,980	18,280	19,580	20,880	21,980
\$175,000 - 199,999	2,720	5,920	8,210	10,320	12,600	14,900	17,200	19,180	20,480	21,780	23,080	24,180
\$200,000 - 449,999	2,970	6,470	9,060	11,480	13,780	16,080	18,380	20,360	21,660	22,960	24,250	25,360
\$450,000 and over	3,140	6,840	9,630	12,250	14,750	17,250	19,750	21,930	23,430	24,930	26,420	27,730



**Employment Eligibility Verification**  
**Department of Homeland Security**  
 U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

**USCIS**  
**Form I-9**  
 OMB No. 1615-0047  
 Expires 10/31/2022

**Section 2. Employer or Authorized Representative Review and Verification**

*(Employers or their authorized representative must complete and sign Section 2 within 3 business days of the employee's first day of employment. You must physically examine one document from List A OR a combination of one document from List B and one document from List C as listed on the "Lists of Acceptable Documents.")*

<b>Employee Info from Section 1</b>	Last Name (Family Name)	First Name (Given Name)	M.I.	Citizenship/Immigration Status
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List A Identity and Employment Authorization	OR	List B Identity	AND	List C Employment Authorization
Document Title		Document Title		Document Title
Issuing Authority		Issuing Authority		Issuing Authority
Document Number		Document Number		Document Number
Expiration Date (if any) (mm/dd/yyyy)		Expiration Date (if any) (mm/dd/yyyy)		Expiration Date (if any) (mm/dd/yyyy)
Document Title		Additional Information		QR Code - Sections 2 & 3 Do Not Write In This Space
Issuing Authority				
Document Number				
Expiration Date (if any) (mm/dd/yyyy)				
Document Title				
Issuing Authority				
Document Number				
Expiration Date (if any) (mm/dd/yyyy)				

**Certification: I attest, under penalty of perjury, that (1) I have examined the document(s) presented by the above-named employee, (2) the above-listed document(s) appear to be genuine and to relate to the employee named, and (3) to the best of my knowledge the employee is authorized to work in the United States.**

**The employee's first day of employment (mm/dd/yyyy):** \_\_\_\_\_ **(See instructions for exemptions)**

Signature of Employer or Authorized Representative	Today's Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Title of Employer or Authorized Representative		
Last Name of Employer or Authorized Representative	First Name of Employer or Authorized Representative	Employer's Business or Organization Name		
Employer's Business or Organization Address (Street Number and Name)		City or Town	State	ZIP Code

**Section 3. Reverification and Rehires** *(To be completed and signed by employer or authorized representative.)*

<b>A. New Name (if applicable)</b>			<b>B. Date of Rehire (if applicable)</b>	
Last Name (Family Name)	First Name (Given Name)	Middle Initial	Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	

**C. If the employee's previous grant of employment authorization has expired, provide the information for the document or receipt that establishes continuing employment authorization in the space provided below.**

Document Title	Document Number	Expiration Date (if any) (mm/dd/yyyy)
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**I attest, under penalty of perjury, that to the best of my knowledge, this employee is authorized to work in the United States, and if the employee presented document(s), the document(s) I have examined appear to be genuine and to relate to the individual.**

Signature of Employer or Authorized Representative	Today's Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	Name of Employer or Authorized Representative
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## LISTS OF ACCEPTABLE DOCUMENTS

### All documents must be UNEXPIRED

Employees may present one selection from List A  
or a combination of one selection from List B and one selection from List C.

<b>LIST A</b> <b>Documents that Establish Both Identity and Employment Authorization</b>	OR	<b>LIST B</b> <b>Documents that Establish Identity</b>	AND	<b>LIST C</b> <b>Documents that Establish Employment Authorization</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. U.S. Passport or U.S. Passport Card</li> <li>2. Permanent Resident Card or Alien Registration Receipt Card (Form I-551)</li> <li>3. Foreign passport that contains a temporary I-551 stamp or temporary I-551 printed notation on a machine-readable immigrant visa</li> <li>4. Employment Authorization Document that contains a photograph (Form I-766)</li> <li>5. For a nonimmigrant alien authorized to work for a specific employer because of his or her status:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Foreign passport; and</li> <li>b. Form I-94 or Form I-94A that has the following:                   <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) The same name as the passport; and</li> <li>(2) An endorsement of the alien's nonimmigrant status as long as that period of endorsement has not yet expired and the proposed employment is not in conflict with any restrictions or limitations identified on the form.</li> </ol> </li> </ol> </li> <li>6. Passport from the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) or the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) with Form I-94 or Form I-94A indicating nonimmigrant admission under the Compact of Free Association Between the United States and the FSM or RMI</li> </ol>	OR	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Driver's license or ID card issued by a State or outlying possession of the United States provided it contains a photograph or information such as name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color, and address</li> <li>2. ID card issued by federal, state or local government agencies or entities, provided it contains a photograph or information such as name, date of birth, gender, height, eye color, and address</li> <li>3. School ID card with a photograph</li> <li>4. Voter's registration card</li> <li>5. U.S. Military card or draft record</li> <li>6. Military dependent's ID card</li> <li>7. U.S. Coast Guard Merchant Mariner Card</li> <li>8. Native American tribal document</li> <li>9. Driver's license issued by a Canadian government authority</li> <li style="text-align: center;"><b>For persons under age 18 who are unable to present a document listed above:</b></li> <li>10. School record or report card</li> <li>11. Clinic, doctor, or hospital record</li> <li>12. Day-care or nursery school record</li> </ol>	AND	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A Social Security Account Number card, unless the card includes one of the following restrictions:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) NOT VALID FOR EMPLOYMENT</li> <li>(2) VALID FOR WORK ONLY WITH INS AUTHORIZATION</li> <li>(3) VALID FOR WORK ONLY WITH DHS AUTHORIZATION</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. Certification of report of birth issued by the Department of State (Forms DS-1350, FS-545, FS-240)</li> <li>3. Original or certified copy of birth certificate issued by a State, county, municipal authority, or territory of the United States bearing an official seal</li> <li>4. Native American tribal document</li> <li>5. U.S. Citizen ID Card (Form I-197)</li> <li>6. Identification Card for Use of Resident Citizen in the United States (Form I-179)</li> <li>7. Employment authorization document issued by the Department of Homeland Security</li> </ol>

**Examples of many of these documents appear in the Handbook for Employers (M-274).**

**Refer to the instructions for more information about acceptable receipts.**

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING FORM G-4**

Enter your full name, address and social security number in boxes 1a through 2b.

Line 3: Write the number of allowances you are claiming in the brackets beside your marital status.

- A. Single – enter 1 if you are claiming yourself
- B. Married Filing Joint, both spouses working – enter 1 if you claim yourself
- C. Married Filing Joint, one spouse working – enter 1 if you claim yourself or 2 if you claim yourself and your spouse
- D. Married Filing Separate – enter 1 if you claim yourself
- E. Head of Household – enter 1 if you claim yourself

Line 4: Enter the number of dependent allowances you are entitled to claim.

Line 5: Complete the worksheet on Form G-4 if you claim additional allowances. Enter the number on Line H here.

**Failure to complete and submit the worksheet will result in automatic denial on your claim.**

Line 6: Enter a specific dollar amount that you authorize your employer to withhold in addition to the tax withheld based on your marital status and number of allowances.

Line 7: Enter the letter of your marital status from Line 3. Enter total of the numbers on Lines 3-5.

Line 8:

- a) Check the first box if you qualify to claim exempt from withholding. You can claim exempt if you filed a Georgia income tax return last year and the amount of Line 4 of Form 500EZ or Line 16 of Form 500 was zero, **and** you expect to file a Georgia tax return this year and will not have a tax liability. You cannot claim exempt if you did not file a Georgia income tax return for the previous tax year. **Receiving a refund in the previous tax year does not qualify you to claim exempt.**

**EXAMPLES:** Your employer withheld \$500 of Georgia income tax from your wages. The amount on Line 4 of Form 500EZ (or Line 16 of Form 500) was \$100. Your tax liability is the amount on Line 4 (or Line 16); therefore, you **do not qualify** to claim exempt.

Your employer withheld \$500 of Georgia income tax from your wages. The amount on Line 4 of Form 500EZ (or Line 16 of Form 500) was \$0 (zero). Your tax liability is the amount on Line 4 (or Line 16) and you filed a prior year income tax return; therefore you **qualify** to claim exempt.

- b) Check the second box if you are not subject to Georgia withholding and meet the conditions set forth under the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. Under the Act, a spouse of a servicemember may be exempt from Georgia income tax on income from services performed in Georgia if:
  - 1. The servicemember is present in Georgia in compliance with military orders;
  - 2. The spouse is in Georgia solely to be with the servicemember;
  - 3. The servicemember maintains domicile in another state; and
  - 4. The domicile of the spouse is the same as the domicile of the servicemember or the spouse of the servicemember has elected to use the same residence for purposes of taxation as the servicemember.

Additional information for employers regarding the Military Spouses Residency Relief Act:

- 1. On the W-2 the employer should not report any of the wages as Georgia wages.
- 2. If the spouse of a servicemember is entitled to the protection of the Military Spouses Residency Relief Act in another state and files a withholding exemption form in such other state, the spouse is required to submit a Georgia Form G-4 so that withholding will occur as is required by Georgia Law when a Georgia domiciliary works in another state and withholding is not required by such other state. If the spouse does not fill out the form, the employer shall withhold Georgia income tax as if the spouse is single with zero allowances.

**Worksheet for calculating additional allowances.** Enter the information as requested by each line. For Line 2D, enter items such as Retirement Income Exclusion, U.S. Obligations, and other allowable deductions per Georgia Law, see the IT-511 booklet for more information.

**Do not complete Lines 3-7 if claiming exempt.**

**O.C.G.A. § 48-7-102** requires you to complete and submit Form G-4 to your employer in order to have tax withheld from your wages. By correctly completing this form, you can adjust the amount of tax withheld to meet your tax liability. Failure to submit a properly completed Form G-4 will result in your employer withholding tax as though you are single with zero allowances.

Employers are required to mail any Form G-4 claiming more than 14 allowances or exempt from withholding to the Georgia Department of Revenue. Employers should honor the properly completed form as submitted unless otherwise notified by the Department. Such forms remain in effect until changed or until February 15 of the following year. Employers who know that a G-4 is erroneous should not honor the form and should withhold as if the employee is single claiming zero allowances until a corrected form has been received.