

# 2026 TAX LAW CHANGES AND UPDATES

## (TAX YEAR 2025)

### NEW 1099-DA FORM:

Proceeds on ALL crypto assets are required to be reported on the new Form 1099-DA for 2025. This includes all purchases made with cryptocurrency, such as at convenience stores and coffee shops.

- Please note that the 1099 form suggests that this may be reported per platform/account used or per coin, signifying that you may receive a 1099-DA for each coin sold or used in 2025.
- **Important note:** *Until 2026, the cost basis is not required to be reported on the 1099!* If you receive a 1099-DA without the cost basis provided, then your proceeds will be considered as 100% income. To counteract this, you must provide a detailed summary of all sales/uses (long term and short term for either all coins or per coin, depending on how the 1099-DA is completed), including each purchase made using cryptocurrency.
- **Important note:** *Our office will not be summarizing the cost basis on behalf of clients. If the cost basis is not detailed on your Form 1099-DA, please provide the cost basis per 1099 as reported for the proceeds. If the cost basis is not provided, our office will be unable to state one, which will make all proceeds fully taxable.*

### OVERTIME AND TIPS DEDUCTION:

If you receive a W-2 and worked overtime in 2025, you may qualify for an “overtime premium” tax deduction for any qualifying overtime.

- Please provide a statement from your employer or your last 2025 paystub that includes any overtime amount paid in 2025, unless that “overtime premium” is provided on the W-2.
- If you do not receive any information from your employer, you may need to request this from them prior to filing your taxes.

If you received any tips in 2025, you may qualify for a deduction.

- If you wish to declare any additional cash tips not included on your W-2 (Box 7) on your return (for social security purposes), please provide a log or amount of such tips.

### TRUMP SAVINGS ACCOUNTS

#### Key Features as of 12/17/2025

Please review the following as it pertains to the new “Trump Savings Accounts” that may need to be elected on your tax return (if qualified):

- **\$1,000 Government Deposit:** Every US citizen born between January 1, 2025, and December 31, 2028, is eligible for a one-time \$1,000 grant from the US Treasury.
- **Annual Contributions:** Parents, grandparents, or even employers can contribute up to \$5,000 per year total into the account.

- **Investment Strategy:** By law, these funds must be invested in low-cost, broad US stock market index funds to ensure long-term growth. It will remain private property under guardian control until age 18, and, if fully funded and left untouched, could grow to as much as \$1.9 million by age 28.
- **Tax Treatment:** The money grows tax-deferred. Once the child turns 18, the account functions like a Traditional IRA.
- **Additional \$250:** For dependent children 10 and under as of 12/31/26, an additional \$250 is available on a first-come-first-served basis.
- **Election/Registration:** In order to qualify for the \$1,000 and/or \$250, parents or guardians of dependent children must opt in using IRS Form 4547 (either with the filing of their taxes or individually filled out by the parent when available).
- **See our website for additional information**

#### **UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE:**

The USPS has established “new” regional postmark centers in which all mail will be sent to in that region to be postmarked. This means that any mail dropped off at the USPS (unless paid for at the counter, such as priority packaging) may take up to two days to be postmarked.

- The IRS and most states require payments to be postmarked by the day of the deadline. If you drop off your payment within two days of the deadline, the payment may not be postmarked by the deadline date, thus rendering the payment “late” and subject to penalties and interest.
- *Our office strongly suggests making your payment at least three business days PRIOR to the deadline.*

#### **NEW VEHICLE PURCHASE**

If you purchased a new vehicle, you may qualify for a tax deduction if you meet the following conditions:

- The vehicle was purchased in 2025.
- You are the first owner of the vehicle.
- The final assembly of the vehicle was in the USA.
- You purchased and financed the vehicle in the USA.

If you meet all the above conditions, please provide the year, make, model, and VIN number of the vehicle, as well as the interest paid in 2025.

#### **SCAMS:**

Please be aware of a number of scams that can impact you and/or your tax return. Due to the new intricacy of these scams using AI-technology, you may be required to verify your identity when you contact our office over the phone.

For more information on some of the various scams going around, please visit our website.