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Tax Year 2020 Form 5498 FAQs

Q: WHAT SHOULD I DO UPON RECEIVING MY 5498?

A: Upon receiving your form please review the following information carefully. Please report any errors immediately to facilitate the filing of corrections with the IRS in a timely manner.

- Account Type – located next to your name
 - IRA = Traditional IRA
 - RIRA = Rollover IRA
 - ROTH = Roth IRA
 - SEP= SEP IRA
 - SIMPLE = SIMPLE IRA
- Contribution amounts and contribution characterizations

Q: WHY DID I RECEIVE A FORM 5498?

A: Form 5498 reports regular and rollover contributions during the applicable tax year made to your IRA, Roth IRA, SIMPLE or SEP account.

Q: THE TAX FILING DATE IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER AND I HAVEN'T RECEIVED MY FORM 5498. WHEN SHOULD I EXPECT IT?

A: The IRS permits you to make contributions to IRA accounts until the date of the filing deadline for the applicable tax year. As a result Form 5498 reports all contributions made up until the tax filing date. The form will be mailed to you by June 30, 2021.

Q: THE FAIR MARKET VALUE LISTED ON MY FORM 5498 IS ZERO. WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

A: This means that the amount in your account was zero as of December 31st of the applicable tax year. This situation generally occurs in new accounts if the contribution was made for the applicable tax year but was received after December 31st. In this case, your account did not exist on December 31st. Therefore, the fair market value is listed as zero.

Q: I HAVE A SEP IRA AND THE SEP CONTRIBUTIONS LISTED IN BOX 8 ARE INCONSISTENT WITH MY RECORDS. CAN YOU EXPLAIN WHY?

A: The amount in Box 8 represents any SEP contributions received during the applicable **calendar** year the form is reporting. The IRS requires the reporting of SEP contributions in the year they are received, regardless of the tax year for which they are intended.

Q: HOW WILL CONVERSIONS AND RECONVERSIONS OR RECHARACTERIZATIONS OF TRADITIONAL IRA CONTRIBUTIONS BE REPORTED?

A: Any withdrawal from an IRA (traditional or Roth) will be reported on Form 1099-R. Any contribution to an IRA (traditional or Roth) is reported on Form 5498. Therefore, if you converted a traditional IRA to a Roth IRA during the applicable tax year, the withdrawal from your traditional IRA will be reported on Form 1099-R and the contribution to the Roth IRA will be reported on Form 5498. If you recharacterized your retirement account (moved assets from a Roth IRA back to a traditional IRA) you will receive a Form 1099-R showing the withdrawal from the Roth IRA and a 5498 reporting the recharacterization, or contribution, back into the traditional IRA.

Q: WHAT DO I DO IF I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE INFORMATION ON MY 5498?

A: Please contact Guggenheim Client Services at 800.820.0888, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm, ET to speak with one of our representatives.

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Form 5498

Instructions for Recipient

The information on Form 5498 is submitted to the Internal Revenue Service by the trustee or issuer of your individual retirement arrangement (IRA) to report contributions, including any catch-up contributions, required minimum distributions (RMDs), and the fair market value (FMV) of the account. For information about IRAs, see Pubs. 590-A, 590-B and 560.

Box 1. Shows traditional IRA contributions for 2020 you made in 2020 and through April 15, 2021. These contributions may be deductible on your Form 1040 or 1040-SR. However, if you or your spouse was an active participant in an employer's pension plan, these contributions may not be deductible. This box does not include amounts in boxes 2-4, 8-10, 13a, and 14a.

Box 2. Shows any rollover, including a direct rollover to a traditional IRA or Roth IRA, or a qualified rollover contribution (including military death gratuity, SGLI payment, or qualified settlement income) to a Roth IRA, you made in 2020. It does not show any amounts you converted from your traditional IRA, SEP IRA, or SIMPLE IRA to a Roth IRA. They are shown in box 3. It does not show any late rollover contributions. They are shown in box 13a. See the Form 1040 instructions for information on how to report rollovers. If you have ever made any nondeductible contributions to your traditional IRA or SEP IRA and you did not roll over the total distribution, use Form 8606 to figure the taxable amount. If property was rolled over, see Pub. 590-A. For a qualified rollover to a Roth IRA, also see Pub. 590-A.

Box 3. Shows the amount converted from a traditional IRA, SEP IRA, or SIMPLE IRA to a Roth IRA in 2020. Use Form 8606 to figure the taxable amount.

Box 4. Shows amounts recharacterized from transferring any part of the contribution (plus earnings) from one type of IRA to another. See Pub. 590-A.

Box 5. Shows the fair market value of the account at year end. However, if a decedent's name is shown, the amount reported may be the FMV on the date of death. If the FMV shown is zero for a decedent, the executor or administrator of the estate may request a date-of-death value from the financial institution.

Box 7. Shows the kind of IRA reported on this Form 5498.

Boxes 8 and 9. Shows SEP (box 8) and SIMPLE (box 9) contributions made in 2020, including contributions made in 2020 for 2019, but not including contributions made in 2021 for 2020. If made by your employer, do not deduct on your income tax return. If you made the contributions as a self-employed person (or partner), they may be deductible. See Pub 560.

Box 10. Shows Roth IRA contributions you made in 2020 and through April 15, 2021. Do not deduct on your income tax return.

Box 11. If the box is checked, you must take a required minimum distribution (RMD) for 2021. An RMD may be required even if the box is not checked. If you don't take the RMD for 2021, you are subject to a 50% excise tax on the amount not distributed. See Pub. 590-B for details.

Box 12a. May show the date by which the RMD amount in box 12b must be distributed to avoid the 50% excise tax on the undistributed amount for 2021.

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Box 12b. May show the amount of the RMD for 2021. If box 11 is populated and there is no amount in this box, the trustee or issuer must provide you the amount or offer to calculate the amount in a separate statement by January 31, 2021.

Box 13a. Shows the amount of a late rollover contribution (more than 60 days after distribution) made in 2020 and certified by the participant, or a postponed contribution made in 2020 for a prior year. This amount is not reported in box 1 or 2.

Box 13b. Shows the year to which the postponed contribution in box 13a was credited. If a late rollover contribution is shown in box 13a, this box will be blank.

Box 13c. For participants who made a postponed contribution due to an extension of the contribution due date because of a federally designated disaster, shows the code FD.

For participants who served in designated combat zones, qualified hazardous duty areas, or in direct support areas, shows the appropriate code. The codes are: EO13239 for Afghanistan and associated Direct support areas, EO12744 for the Arabian Peninsula areas, PL115-97 for the Sinai Peninsula of Egypt, and EO13119 (or PL106-21) for the Yugoslavia operations areas. For additional information see Pub. 3, Armed Forces' Tax Guide. For updates to the list of locations, go to www.irs.gov/Newsroom/Combat-zones.

For a participant who has used the self-certification procedure for a late rollover contribution, shows the code SC

Box 14a. Shows the amount of any repayment of a qualified reservist distribution, a qualified disaster distribution, or a qualified birth or adoption distribution.. See Pub. 590-A for reporting repayments.

Box 14b. Shows the code QR for the repayment of a qualified reservist distribution or code DD for repayment of a federally designated disaster distribution, or code BA for repayment of a qualified birth or adoption distribution.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form 5498 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to www.irs.gov/form5498.

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