

FED/STATE 1120 STATE SCHEMA CHANGE CONTROL

The Fed/State 1120 State Schema Set is now under controlled release. States, software developers, or service providers may NOT independently make any changes to these schemas. The Schema Set is under the control of the Tax Implementation Group for E-commerce Requirements Standardization (TIGERS), which is a work group of the ANSI accredited standards committee X12 and co-sponsored by the Federation of Tax Administrators. TIGERS has been charged by the FTA/IRS Tactical Advisory Group (TAG) with the development and maintenance of the XML schema standards.

TIGERS meets six times per year. If any state, software developer, or service provider wishes to suggest a change to the Schema Set, that party must submit a change request to TIGERS using the form and procedures on the attached pages.

If you have any questions, please contact Terry Garber, TIGERS Chair, at garbert@sctax.org .

FED/STATE 1120 STATE XML CHANGE CONTROL PROCEDURES

In order to promote consistency and uniformity in the implementation of the Fed/State 1120 XML e-file program, the State Master Schemas are posted and may also be accessed from the web site www.irs.gov. All state instance documents must validate with the Master Schema Set.

States, vendors, or service providers needing additional data elements or requiring changes to any of the Fed/State 1120 schemas must follow the procedures outlined below. Most input data for the schema set is maintained in the form of Excel spreadsheets.

State tax administrators or other interested parties should submit the request to the current TIGERS chair and to the Fed/State 1120 Contractor using the FED/STATE 1120 CHANGE REQUEST form posted on the FTA web site and attached below. The form must be submitted via e-mail. The form includes the following:

1. Fed/State 1120 Version on which the request is based
2. Name of state for which change is requested
3. For all changes to the category spreadsheets
 - a. By category, enter the number of rows to be added, changed, or deleted.
 - b. Electronic copy of each spreadsheet affected, containing only those rows affected and highlighted by action to be taken. All rows to be added must be highlighted in yellow, rows to be changed highlighted in blue, and rows to be deleted highlighted in red.
4. For each lower level complex type ("efile type") affected
 - a. New XML code for each efile type to be added or changed
 - b. Electronic copy of new or changed efile type, XMLSpy preferred.
5. For each change to a non-spreadsheet XML schema
 - a. Whether the change is to the ReturnDataState or StatePayment schema
 - b. Changed XML code

- c. Electronic copy of revised schema, XMLSpy preferred.
- 6. Business case – why each addition or change is necessary – please be as complete as possible
- 7. Requestor organization – generally state tax or employment agency, but may be software vendor or payroll/tax service provider
- 8. Contact information

The following actions shall be taken on receipt of the Change Request:

- 1. The Fed/State 1120 Contractor will post the Change Request on the Fed/State 1120 collaborative website..
- 2. The TIGERS chair will place the request on the agenda of the next TIGERS meeting. It is highly recommended that the requestor be present for any discussion of the proposed changes, particularly if they are more than simple additions.
- 3. The Change Request will be discussed at the TIGERS meeting. The request may be accepted, rejected, or modified. If the request is modified or rejected, the TIGERS chair will work with the requestor to reach a mutually satisfactory alternative.
- 4. Once the modifications to the XML schema(s) are finalized, the Fed/State 1120 Contractor submit the revised schema(s) to the IRS Fed/State 1120 Analyst to be posted as a new version at www.irs.gov.

FED/STATE 1120 XML SCHEMA CHANGE REQUEST

Version/Release No. _____ State _____

PART I – CHANGE TO SPREADSHEET BASED SCHEMAS

Please indicate number of rows for action in each Category spreadsheet.

CATEGORY SPREADSHEET	ADD	CHANGE	DELETE
Additions	_____	_____	_____
AllocAndAppor	_____	_____	_____
Credits	_____	_____	_____
Deductions	_____	_____	_____
Estimated	_____	_____	_____
Extension	_____	_____	_____
Franchise	_____	_____	_____
GeneralInformation	_____	_____	_____
Header	_____	_____	_____
Income	_____	_____	_____
K-1	_____	_____	_____
Liabilities	_____	_____	_____
PaymentsClaimed	_____	_____	_____
Subtractions	_____	_____	_____
TaxDueOverpayment	_____	_____	_____

NOTE: This form MUST be accompanied by an electronic copy of EACH spreadsheet requiring action. ONLY the rows affected must appear on the spreadsheet. Highlight all rows to be ADDED in YELLOW, all rows to be CHANGED in BLUE, and all rows to be DELETED in RED.

PART II - CHANGE TO EFILE (COMPLEX) TYPE

ADD NEW EFILE TYPE _____ CHANGE EFILE TYPE _____

NAME OF EFILE TYPE _____

CATEGORY/SCHEMA WHERE USED _____

XPATH OF ELEMENT USING EFILE TYPE _____

Brief description of action requested:

XML Code To Be Added/Changed XML Code:

Please attach complete schema in electronic form showing addition, change, or deletion, and an instance document (example) with data. XMLSpy is preferred.

PART III - CHANGE TO NON-CATEGORY XML SCHEMA

ReturnDataState _____ StatePayment _____

Brief description of action requested:

XML Code To Be Added/Changed XML Code:

Please attach complete schema in electronic form showing addition, change, or deletion, and an instance document (example) with data. XMLSpy is preferred.

PART IV - TO BE COMPLETED FOR ALL CHANGE REQUESTS:

Business Case – Why Is This Addition/Change/Deletion Required?

Requestor Organization: _____

Date Needed: _____

Contact Information:

Name: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Please e-mail this request form to Terry Garber, TIGERS Chair, at garbert@sctax.org and to Jim Rowland at rowlandj@patriot.net.

Please plan to send a representative to the next TIGERS meeting to discuss this request.