## STATE OF NEW JERSEY AMENDED <br> INCOME TAX RESIDENT RETURN

For Tax Year Jan.- Dec. 31, 2004, Or Other Tax Year Beginning $\qquad$ 2004, Ending $\qquad$ 20

- You must enter your social security number below $\downarrow$


GUBERNATORIAL ELECTIONS FUND Checking below will not increase your tax or reduce your refund.
Check here $\longrightarrow \square$ If you did not previously want to have $\$ 1$ go to the fund but now want it to do so.
Check here $\longrightarrow \square$ If joint return and if spouse did not previously want to have $\$ 1$ to go to the fund but now wants it to do so.

|  | As Originally Reported |  | Amen (See Inst | ded ructions) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 14. Wages, salaries, tips, and other employee compensation | 14. |  |  |  |
| 15a. Taxable Interest Income | 15a. |  |  |  |
| 15b. Tax-exempt interest income. DO NOT include on Line 15a | 15b. |  |  |  |
| 16. Dividends | 16. |  |  |  |
| 17. Net profits from business | 17. |  |  |  |
| 18. Net gains or income from disposition of property | 18. |  |  |  |
| 19. Pensions, Annuities a. Taxable Amount Received | 19a. |  |  |  |
| and IRA Withdrawals b. Less New Jersey Pension Exclusion | 19b. |  |  |  |
| c. Subtract Line 19b from Line 19a | 19c. |  |  |  |
| 20. Distributive Share of Partnership Income | 20. |  |  |  |
| 21. Net pro rata share of S Corporation Income | 21. |  |  |  |
| 22. Net gain or income from rents, royalties, patents \& copyrights | 22. |  |  |  |
| 23. Net Gambling Winnings | 23. |  |  |  |
| 24. Alimony and separate maintenance payments received | 24. |  |  |  |
| 25. Other | 25. |  |  |  |
| 26. Total Income (Add Lines 14, 15a, 16, 17, 18, 19c, 20, 21, 22, 23,24 , and 25) | 26. |  |  |  |



# $\int_{0}^{2}$ <br> 2004 Form NJ-1040X 

Amended<br>Income Tax Resident Return \& Instructions

## Use of Form NJ -1040X

You must use Form NJ-1040X to change any information reported on your resident income tax return (Form NJ-1040, NJ-1040EZ, or return that was filed using NJ TeleFile, NJ WebFile, or approved vendor software). Failure to do so will result in delayed processing of your return and/or refund.

Amended returns claiming a refund must be filed within three years from the time the return was filed or two years from the time the tax was paid, whichever is later. If the return is not received within this time limit, it will be considered out of statute and the refund claim will be disallowed.

Note: The "Amended" Column of this return must be filled out completely, even though certain items are not being amended.

Use Form NJ-1040X to amend the resident income tax return only. To amend a nonresident return, use Form NJ-1040NR for the appropriate year and write "AMENDED" across the top.

## Attachments to Form NJ-1040X

Where the original resident income tax return requires a schedule or form to support or change an item of income, deduction, or credit, attach the appropriate schedule or form to Form NJ-1040X.

## When to File

File Form NJ-1040X only after you have filed your original resident income tax return and changes must be made to the original return.

## Where to File

All amended returns (Form NJ-1040X) should be mailed to the following addresses:

Mail Returns Without Payments to:

Mail Returns With Payments to:

State of New Jersey<br>Division of Taxation<br>Revenue Processing Center<br>PO Box 555<br>Trenton NJ 08647-0555<br>State of New Jersey<br>Division of Taxation<br>Revenue Processing Center<br>PO Box 111<br>Trenton NJ 08645-0111

## Name and Social Security Number

Your name and social security number must be entered on Form NJ-1040X and all accompanying schedules. If there is a balance due with the return and you are paying by check or money order, write your social security number on the remittance. If the payment is for a joint return, include both social security numbers.

## Wage and Tax Statements - Form W-2

A copy of your W-2 and/or 1099-R must accompany your New Jersey Amended Income Tax Resident Return (Form NJ-1040X) if you are amending (by increasing) taxes withheld or if you are claiming excess New Jersey unemployment insurance/health care subsidy fund/workforce development partnership fund contributions and/or disability insurance contributions.

## Taxpayer Signature

You must sign and date your New Jersey Amended Income Tax Resident Return (Form NJ-1040X) in blue or black ink. Both husband and wife must sign a joint amended return. A return which is unsigned cannot be processed.

## Tax Preparers

Anyone who prepares a return for a fee must sign the return as a "Paid Preparer" and enter his or her social security number or Federal preparer tax identification number. Include the company or corporation name and Federal Identification Number, if applicable. A tax preparer who fails to sign the return or provide a tax identification number may incur a $\$ 25$ penalty for each omission.

## Calendar Year or Fiscal Year Ended

Like the resident income tax return, Form NJ-1040X is different for each year. The calendar year or fiscal year must be the same as the year covered by the original return which is being amended. To illustrate, John Smith discovers an error on his 2003 New Jersey resident income tax return while preparing his tax return for 2004. To correct the error on his 2003 tax return, he must file the New Jersey Amended Income Tax Resident Return (Form NJ-1040X) for tax year 2003. The calendar year on his NJ-1040X will be 2003 even though he is preparing the NJ-1040X in 2005.

## Line by Line Instructions

## Name and Address

Print or type your name(s), complete address, and zip code in the space provided on the return.

## Social Security Number

Enter your correct social security number in the space provided on the return. If you are married and filing a joint amended return, list the numbers of both you and your spouse. If the social security number(s) is different than that reported on your original return, indicate the original number(s) in the space provided on Page 2 of Form NJ-1040X.

## County/Municipality Code

See "County/Municipality Code" in the instruction booklet for Form NJ-1040 or Form NJ-1040EZ.

## Filing Status

See "Filing Status" in the resident income tax return instruction booklet. Be sure to indicate your filing status in both the "On Original Return"
and the "On Amended Return" columns, even if you are not amending your filing status.

Note: You cannot change your filing status after the due date for filing the original return has passed unless you have done so for Federal income tax purposes.

## Exemptions

See "Exemptions" in the resident income tax return instruction booklet. Both columns, "As Originally Reported" and "Amended," must be completed even if you are not amending the number of exemptions reported on the original resident income tax return filed. Enter on Line 12a the total of Lines 6, 7, 8, and 11. Enter on Line 12b the total of Lines 9 and 10 in each column.

Note: If you omitted any qualified dependent(s) on your original return, enter the first name(s) of those omitted in the space provided on Page 2 of Form NJ-1040X.

Compute the amount of your personal exemption allowance on Line 30 by following these three steps:

1. Multiply the total number of exemptions on Line 12a by $\$ 1,000$.
2. Multiply the total number of exemptions on Line $12 b$ by $\$ 1,500$.
3. Add the total amount from steps 1 and 2 and enter the result on Line 30. Part-year residents must prorate the amount to be entered in each column on Line 30. Divide the total number of months you were a New Jersey resident by 12 and multiply by the total amount calculated in steps 1 and 2 above. For this calculation, 15 days or more is a month.

## Residency Status

If this amended return does not cover a 12 -month period, complete Line 13. List the month, day, and year your residency began and the month, day, and year it ended.

## Gubernatorial Elections Fund

If you checked "yes" on your original return, omit this section.
If you did not check "yes" on your original return and now wish to do so, check the appropriate box. See "Gubernatorial Elections Fund" in the resident income tax return instruction booklet for an explanation of the Gubernatorial Elections Fund. Checking the box(es) will not increase your tax or reduce your refund.

## Income and Deductions

Both columns "As Originally Reported" and "Amended" must be completed even if you are not amending all the line items through Line 52. To illustrate, John Smith does not wish to amend Line 16 on his Form NJ-1040X, New Jersey Amended Income Tax Resident Return.

John Smith should complete Line 16 as follows:

| Line | As Originally <br> Reported |  | Amended <br> (See Instructions) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 16. Dividends | 2345 |  | 60 |  |

For further instructions see "Income" and "Deductions" in the resident income tax return instruction booklet.

## Tax Computation - Line 38

Compute your State tax by using the Tax Rate Schedules below. Choose the correct table for your filing status. Multiply the New Jersey Taxable Income (Line 37) by the applicable tax rate, subtract the proper amount shown on the chart, and enter the result on Line 38. If your taxable income on Line 37 is under $\$ 100,000$, you may use the Tax Table in the resident income tax return instruction booklet (Form NJ-1040 or Form NJ-1040EZ) to determine your tax instead of the Tax Rate Schedules.

## 2004 Tax Rate Schedules

| For filing status: <br> Single <br> Married, Filing Separate Return |  |  |  | Table A |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| If Line 37 <br> Over | But Not Ove |  | Multiply Line 37 by: |  | Subtract | Your Tax |
| \$ 0 | \$ 20,000 | $\times$ | . 014 | - | \$ 0 |  |
| 20,000 | 35,000 | $\times$ | . 0175 | - | 70.00 |  |
| 35,000 | 40,000 | $\times$ | . 035 | - | 682.50 |  |
| 40,000 | 75,000 | $\times$ | . 05525 | - | 1,492.50 |  |
| 75,000 | 500,000 | $\times$ | . 0637 | - | 2,126.25 |  |
| 500,000 | and over | $\times$ | . 0897 | - | 15,126.25 |  |


| For filing status: <br> Married, Filing Joint Return <br> Table B <br> Head of Household <br> Qualifying Widow(er) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| If Line 37 Over | But Not Over |  | Multiply Line 37 by: |  | Subtract | Your Tax |
| \$ 0 | \$ 20,000 | $\times$ | . 014 | - | \$ 0 |  |
| 20,000 | 50,000 | $\times$ | . 0175 | - | 70.00 |  |
| 50,000 | 70,000 | $\times$ | . 0245 | - | 420.00 |  |
| 70,000 | 80,000 | $\times$ | . 035 | - | 1,154.50 |  |
| 80,000 | 150,000 | $\times$ | . 05525 | - | 2,775.00 |  |
| 150,000 | 500,000 | $\times$ | . 0637 | - | 4,042.50 |  |
| 500,000 | and over | $\times$ | . 0897 | - | 17,042.50 |  |

## New Jersey Earned Income Tax Credit

If you are amending your 2004 NJ-1040EZ or NJ-1040 to apply for the New Jersey earned income tax credit, be sure to fill out your name, address, social security number(s), county/municipality code, and enter an amount on each line in the "As Amended" column of this form even though certain items are not being amended. In the "Explanation of Changes" box, enter the amount of your Federal earned income credit and the number of qualifying children you listed on your Federal Schedule EIC. Then enter $20 \%$ of your Federal earned income credit in the "As Amended" column for Line 46.

## Balance Due or Refund - Lines 53 and 54

Payments. If your New Jersey Total Tax (Line 42) is larger than your Net Payments (Line 52), you have a balance due. Subtract Line 52 from Line 42 and enter the result on Line 53. Payment may be made by:

Check or Money Order, payable to "State of New Jersey - TGI."
Electronic Check (e-check), available on the Division's Web site (www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/). Those without Internet access can pay by e-check by contacting the Division's Customer Service Center at 609-292-6400. When using e-check on the Web, you will need your social security number and your date of birth to make a payment.

Credit Card, by phone (1-800-2PAYTAX, toll-free) or over the Internet (www.officialpayments.com), using a Visa, American Express, MasterCard, or Discover/Novus credit card. You may be asked to enter a jurisdiction code to make your payment. The code for New Jersey is 4000 . A convenience fee of $2.5 \%$ of the tax payment is paid directly to Official Payments Corporation.

Refunds. If your Net Payments (Line 52) are larger than your New Jersey Total Tax (Line 42), you have overpaid your tax. Subtract Line 42 from Line 52, enter the result on Line 54, and then complete Line 55.

## Line 55

Enter on:

- Line 55A the amount of overpayment (Line 54) to be refunded to you; and/or
- Line 55B the amount of overpayment to be credited against your 2005 tax liability.


## Explanation of Changes

In the space provided, explain the reason for changes to income, deductions, and/or credits as originally reported. If additional space is needed, attach a rider which includes your name and social security number.

## Credit for Taxes Paid to Other Jurisdiction(s)

If you are amending your credit for income taxes paid to other jurisdictions, complete the formula with your amended figures. See the instructions for calculating the credit in the Form NJ-1040 instruction booklet.

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    STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
    DIVISION OF TAXATION
        PO BOX 269
    TRENTON NJ 08695-0269
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## When You Need Information...

by phone...
Call our Automated Tax Information System
1-800-323-4400 - (Touch-tone phones within NJ, NY, PA, DE, and MD) or 609-826-4400 (Touch-tone phones anywhere).

- Listen to recorded tax information on many topics.
- Order forms and publications through our message system.
- Get information on 2004 refunds.

Contact our Customer Service Center
609-292-6400 - Speak directly to a Division of Taxation representative for tax information and assistance, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays).

TTY Equipment Users Only
Call 1-800-286-6613 (toll-free within NJ, NY, PA, DE, and MD) or 609-984-7300 (anywhere) to ask questions or to order forms and publications.
online...
Visit the New Jersey Division of Taxation Home Page
Many State tax forms and publications are available on our Web site. Access the Division's home page at:
www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/
You may also reach us by e-mail at:
nj.taxation@ treas.state.nj.us
Subscribe to NJ Tax E-News, the Division of Taxation's online information service, at:
www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation/listservice.shtml

## New Jersey Earned Income Tax Credit...

Call the New Jersey Earned Income Tax Credit Hotline 1-888-895-9179 - For information, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays).

## Items to Check Before Mailing Your Return

$\sqrt{ }$ Check for correct name, address, and social security number(s). Your amended return (Form NJ-1040X) cannot be processed without a social security number.
$\sqrt{ }$ Attach a copy of your W-2 Statement and/or Form 1099-R if amending (by increasing) taxes withheld or if you are claiming excess New Jersey unemployment insurance/health care subsidy fund/workforce development partnership fund contributions and/or disability insurance contributions.
$\sqrt{ }$ If there is a balance due on your amended return (Form NJ-1040X), attach a check or money order to avoid additional penalties and interest. Write your social security number on the check or money order. (You may also pay by e-check or credit card).
$\sqrt{ }$ Sign and date your return. Both spouses must sign a joint return.

