

Alabama Society Sons of the American Revolution

Filing Chapter and State Society
IRS Information

What Is the Requirement?

- Beginning this year 2008, for 2007, each State Society and Chapter must file IRS Tax information.
 - In the past, only the national organization and some State Societies filed this information.

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- For non-profit organizations.
- Form 990-N will be used for filing; provides the IRS with info about its organization and a statement that its annual gross receipts are still normally \$25,000* or less.
- Organizations with an income of more than \$25,000* must file either Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.
- *\$50,000 for tax years ending on or after December 31, 2010.

Why the Change?

- The Pension Protection Act of 2006 added this filing requirement to improve ‘transparency’ within the non-profit sector. The information will ensure that donors, who may want to contribute to your organization, and the IRS, have current information about your organization.

What are Gross Receipts?

- Gross receipts is that income, such as dues, an organization keeps after it has passed on dues to a higher organization, or income from other sources such as money owned and invested.
- Being a non-profit organization, even if we exceed the \$25,000* benchmark, we are still not required to pay federal income tax.
- *\$50,000 for tax years ending on or after December 31, 2010.

Form 990-N

- *Electronic Notice (e-Postcard) for Tax-Exempt Organizations not Required To File Form 990 or 990-EZ*
- The e-Postcard will be due every year by the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of the tax period; e.g., by May 15, if a chapter's tax year is January - December.

Form 990-N

- Must be filed electronically. There will be no paper form.
- Internet based process; no software purchase needed to file the e-Postcard.

Organization Information

- The e-Postcard will require you to provide the following information:
 - Organization's employer identification number (EIN) (*this is your Chapter's Tax ID*)
 - Tax Year
 - Organization's name and mailing address
 - Any other names your organization uses
 - Organization's website address
 - Name and address of a principal officer of your organization
 - Confirmation that your organization's annual gross receipts are still normally \$25,000 or less (\$50,000 for tax years ending on or after December 31, 2010)
 - If applicable, a statement that the organization has terminated or is terminating (going out of business).

Additional Points

- Can an organization file Form 990 or Form 990-EZ instead of the e-Postcard (Form 990-N)?
 - If you prefer to file an information return, Form 990 or 990-EZ, you must complete the entire return. An incomplete or partially completed Form 990 or 990-EZ will not satisfy the annual filing requirement.
- If an organization doesn't file a return for 3 consecutive years it will lose its tax exempt status and must reapply to obtain the tax exempt status again.

Current Status

- The IRS 990-N instructions have been updated and posted to the NSSAR website. For more information, go to the SAR Handbook, Vol II, page 16.
- To file, go to: <http://www.irs.gov/charities/article/0,,id=169250,00.html>. Look for “Click here” under “How to File”.
 - In the event needed, IRS customer service is 1-877-829-5500.

Questions

- To obtain your Chapter's Tax ID, or for other questions, contact the current State Treasurer.