

ATTACH TO YOUR TAX RETURN

Name(s) as shown on your return	Identifying number
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Type of return..... Individual Estate Trust

1 Interest expense on investment debts paid or accrued in 2004. See instructions.	1		
2 Disallowed investment interest expense from 2003 Form 4952A, line 5.	2		
3 Total investment interest expense. Add lines 1 and 2.	3		
4 Net investment income. See instructions.	4		
5 Disallowed investment interest expense to be carried forward to 2005. Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-.	5		
6 Investment interest expense deduction. Enter the smaller of line 3 or line 4. See instructions. ▶	6		

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

PURPOSE OF FORM

Interest expense paid by an individual, estate, or a trust on a loan that is allocable to property held for investment (defined below), may not be fully deductible in the current year. Form 4952A is used to figure the amount of investment interest expense deductible for the current year and the amount, if any, to carry forward to future years.

For more details, refer to Federal Publication 550, Investment Income and Expenses.

CAUTION: The investment interest deduction for Alabama is computed as if the federal passive income limitation did not exist. Net capital gain from the disposition of investment property is included in investment income for Alabama purposes.

WHO MUST FILE

If you are an individual, estate, or a trust, and you claim a deduction for investment interest expense, you must complete and attach Form 4952A to your tax return unless all of the following apply:

- Your only investment income was from interest or dividends;
- You have no other deductible expenses connected with the production of interest or dividends,
- Your investment interest expense is not more than your investment income; and
- You have no carryovers of investment interest expense from 2003.

ALLOCATION OF INTEREST EXPENSE UNDER TEMPORARY FEDERAL REGULATIONS SECTION 1.163-8T

If you paid or accrued interest on a loan and you used the proceeds of the loan for more than one purpose, you may have to allocate the interest paid. This is necessary because of the different rules that apply to investment interest, personal interest, trade or business interest, and home mortgage interest. See Federal Publication 550, Investment Income and Expenses.

SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS

LINE 1 – INVESTMENT INTEREST EXPENSE

Enter the investment interest paid or accrued during the tax year, regardless of when the indebtedness was incurred. Include interest paid or accrued on a loan (or part of a loan) that is allocable to property held for investment.

Be sure to include investment interest expense reported to you on Schedule K-1 from a partnership or an S corporation. Include amortization of bond premium on taxable bonds purchased after October 22, 1986, but before January 1, 1988, unless you elected to offset amortizable bond premium against the interest payments on the bond. A taxable bond is a bond on which the interest is includible in gross income.

Investment interest expense does not include the following:

- Home mortgage interest;
- Any interest expense that is capitalized, such as construction interest subject to Federal Section 263A.

LINE 4 – NET INVESTMENT INCOME

Net investment income is the excess, if any, of investment income over investment expenses. Include investment income and expenses reported to you on Schedule K-1 from a partnership or an S corporation. Also include net investment income from an estate or a trust.

INVESTMENT INCOME

Investment income includes income (not derived in the ordinary course of a trade or business) from interest, dividends (reduced by qualified dividends per federal instructions), annuities, royalties, and net gain from the disposition of property held for investment (including capital gain distributions from mutual funds).

PROPERTY HELD FOR INVESTMENT

Property held for investment includes property that produces investment income. Property held for investment also includes an interest in an activity of conducting a trade or business in which you did not materially participate.

INVESTMENT EXPENSES

Investment expenses are your allowed deductions, other than interest expense, directly connected with the production

of investment income. For example, depreciation or depletion allowed on assets that produce investment income is an investment expense.

If you have investment expenses that are included as a miscellaneous itemized deduction on line 20 of Schedule A (Form 40), or line 25 of Schedule A (Form 40NR), you may not have to use all of the amount for purposes of line 4 of Form 4952A. The 2% adjusted gross income limitation on Schedule A may reduce the amount.

To figure the amount to use, compare the amount of the investment expenses included on line 20 of Schedule A (Form 40) with the total miscellaneous expenses on line 23 of Schedule A. If you filed Schedule A (Form 40NR), compare the amount on line 25 with the amount on line 28. The smaller of the investment expenses included on line 20 (or line 25) or the total of line 23 (or line 28) is the amount to use to figure the investment expenses from Schedule A for line 4.

Example. Assume line 20 of Schedule A (Form 40) includes investment expenses of \$3,000, and line 23 is \$1,300 after the 2% adjusted gross income limitation.

Investment expenses of \$1,300 are used to figure the amount of investment expense for line 4. If investment expenses of \$800 were included on line 20 and line 23 was \$1,300, investment expenses of \$800 would be used.

If you have investment expenses reported on a form or schedule other than Schedule A, include those expenses when figuring investment expenses for line 4.

LINE 6 – INVESTMENT INTEREST EXPENSE DEDUCTION

This is the amount you may deduct as investment interest expense.

INDIVIDUALS

Enter the amount from line 6 on line 12 of Schedule A (Form 40 or 40NR), even if all or part of it is attributable to a partnership or an S corporation. However, if any portion of this amount is attributable to royalties, enter that portion of the interest expense on Schedule E (Form 40 or 40NR).

ESTATES AND TRUSTS

Enter the amount from line 6 on line 1, Part III, of Form 41.