## **Instructions for Form FTB 3519**

Payment for Automatic Extension for Individuals

## **General Information**

Mandatory Electronic Payments – You are required to remit all your payments electronically once you make an estimate or extension payment exceeding \$20,000 or you file an original return with a total tax liability over \$80,000 for any taxable year that begins on or after January 1, 2009. Once you meet this threshold, all subsequent payments regardless of amount, tax type, or taxable year must be remitted electronically. The first payment that would trigger the mandatory e-pay requirement does not have to be made electronically. Individuals who do not send the payment electronic funds withdrawal (EFW) as part of the e-file return, or your credit card. For more information or to obtain the waiver form, go to **ftb.ca.gov** and search for **mandatory epay**.

Use form FTB 3519, Payment for Automatic Extension for Individuals, **only** if both of the following apply:

- You cannot file your 2011 return by April 17, 2012. Due to the Emancipation Day holiday on April 16, 2012, tax returns filed and payments mailed or submitted on April 17, 2012, will be considered timely.
   Note: Fiscal Year Filers, your return is due the 15th day of the 4th month following the close of your fiscal year.
- You owe tax for 2011.

When you file your 2011 return, you can **e-file** or **CalFile**. Go to **ftb.ca.gov** and search for **e-file options.** If you use form FTB 3519, you **may not** file Form 540 2EZ or Short Form 540NR.

Use the worksheet below to determine if you owe tax. If you **do not** owe tax, **do not** complete or mail form FTB 3519. However, file your return by October 15, 2012. If you owe tax, choose one of the following payment options:

 Web Pay: To make a payment online or to schedule a future payment (up to one year in advance), go to ftb.ca.gov and search for web pay. Do not mail form FTB 3519 to the FTB.

- Credit Card: Use your major credit card. Call 800.272.9829 or go to officialpayments.com, use code 1555. Official Payments Corp. charges a convenience fee for using this service. Do not mail form FTB 3519 to the FTB.
- Check or Money Order: Using black or blue ink, complete your check or money order and the payment form below, mail both to the "Franchise Tax Board." Make all checks or money orders payable in U.S. dollars and drawn against a U.S. financial institution.

## **Penalties and Interest**

If you fail to pay your total tax liability by April 17, 2012, you will incur a late payment penalty plus interest. If you pay at least 90% of the tax shown on the return by the original due date of the return, we will waive the penalty based on reasonable cause. However, the imposition of interest is mandatory. If, after April 17, 2012, you find that your estimate of tax due was too low, pay the additional tax as soon as possible to avoid or minimize further accumulation of penalties and interest. Pay your additional tax with another form FTB 3519. If you do not file your tax return by October 15, 2012, you will incur a late filing penalty plus interest from the original due date of the return. For Fiscal Year Filers, your tax return is due the 15th day of the 10th month following the close of your fiscal year.

## **Taxpayers Residing or Traveling Outside the USA**

If you are residing or traveling outside the USA on April 17, 2012, the deadline to file your return and pay the tax is June 15, 2012. Interest will accrue from the original due date until the date of payment. If you need additional time to file, you will be allowed a six-month extension without filing a request. To qualify for the extension, file your tax return by December 17, 2012. To avoid any late-payment penalties, pay your tax liability by June 15, 2012. When filing your tax return, attach a statement to the front indicating that you were "Outside the USA on April 17, 2012."

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