

## **Attention:**

### **Caution — Change to the 2008 Form W-3**

If you downloaded the 2008 Form W-3 before March 8, 2008, please note the following correction.

Under When To File, the first sentence should read, "Mail any paper Forms W-2 under cover of this Form W-3 Transmittal by March 2, 2009."

This form is provided for informational purposes only. Copy A appears in red, similar to the official IRS form. Do **not** file copy A with the SSA. The official printed version of this IRS form is scannable, but the online version of it, printed from this website, is not. A penalty of \$50 per information return may be imposed for filing forms that cannot be scanned.

To order official IRS forms, call 1-800-TAX-FORM (1-800-829-3676) or Order Information Returns and Employer Returns Online, and we'll mail you the scannable forms and other products.

You may file Forms W-2 and W-3 electronically on the SSA's website at Employer Reporting Instructions & Information. You can create fill-in versions of Forms W-2 and W-3 for filing with SSA. You may also print out copies for filing with state or local governments, distribution to your employees, and for your records.

See IRS Publications 1141, 1167, 1179 and other IRS resources for information about printing these tax forms.

**DO NOT STAPLE**

<b>33333</b>		<b>a</b> Control number	<b>For Official Use Only ▶</b> OMB No. 1545-0008		
<b>b</b> Kind of Payer	941 <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	943 <input type="checkbox"/>	944 <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>1</b> Wages, tips, other compensation
	CT-1 <input type="checkbox"/>	Hshld. emp. <input type="checkbox"/>	Medicare govt. emp. <input type="checkbox"/>	Third-party sick pay <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>2</b> Federal income tax withheld
<b>c</b> Total number of Forms W-2	<b>d</b> Establishment number			<b>3</b> Social security wages	<b>4</b> Social security tax withheld
<b>e</b> Employer identification number (EIN)			<b>5</b> Medicare wages and tips		<b>6</b> Medicare tax withheld
<b>f</b> Employer's name			<b>7</b> Social security tips		<b>8</b> Allocated tips
<b>g</b> Employer's address and ZIP code			<b>9</b> Advance EIC payments		<b>10</b> Dependent care benefits
			<b>11</b> Nonqualified plans		<b>12</b> Deferred compensation
<b>h</b> Other EIN used this year			<b>13</b> For third-party sick pay use only		
<b>15</b> State    Employer's state ID number			<b>14</b> Income tax withheld by payer of third-party sick pay		<b>17</b> State income tax
			<b>16</b> State wages, tips, etc.		
Contact person			<b>18</b> Local wages, tips, etc.		<b>19</b> Local income tax
			Telephone number (    )		
Email address			Fax number (    )		For Official Use Only

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return and accompanying documents, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete.

Signature ▶

Title ▶

Date ▶

Form **W-3 Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements** **2008**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Send this entire page with the entire Copy A page of Form(s) W-2 to the Social Security Administration.**

**Do not** send any payment (cash, checks, money orders, etc.) with Forms W-2 and W-3.

**Reminder**

**Separate instructions.** See the 2008 Instructions for Forms W-2 and W-3 for information on completing this form.

**Purpose of Form**

A Form W-3 Transmittal is completed only when paper Copy A of Form(s) W-2, Wage and Tax Statement, are being filed. Do not file Form W-3 alone. Do not file Form W-3 for Form(s) W-2 that were submitted electronically to the Social Security Administration (see below). All paper forms **must** comply with IRS standards and be machine readable. Photocopies and hand-printed forms are **not** acceptable. Use a Form W-3 even if only one paper Form W-2 is being filed. Make sure both the Form W-3 and Form(s) W-2 show the correct tax year and Employer Identification Number (EIN). Make a copy of this form and keep it with Copy D (For Employer) of Form(s) W-2 for your records.

**Electronic Filing**

The Social Security Administration strongly suggests employers report Form W-3 and W-2 Copy A electronically instead of on paper. SSA provides two e-file options:

- Free fill-in Forms W-2 for employers who file 20 or fewer Form(s) W-2.

- Upload a file for employers who use payroll/tax software to print Form(s) W-2, if the vendor software creates a file that can be uploaded to SSA.

For more information, go to [www.socialsecurity.gov/employer](http://www.socialsecurity.gov/employer) and select "First Time Filers" or "Returning Filers" under "BEFORE YOU FILE."

**When To File**

Mail any paper Forms W-2 under cover of this Form W-3 Transmittal by March 2, 2009. Electronic fill-in forms or uploads are filed through SSA's Business Services Online (BSO) Internet site and will be on time if submitted by March 31, 2009.

**Where To File Paper Forms**

Send this entire page with the entire Copy A page of Form(s) W-2 to:

**Social Security Administration  
Data Operations Center  
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18769-0001**

**Note.** If you use "Certified Mail" to file, change the ZIP code to "18769-0002." If you use an IRS-approved private delivery service, add "ATTN: W-2 Process, 1150 E. Mountain Dr." to the address and change the ZIP code to "18702-7997." See Publication 15 (Circular E), Employer's Tax Guide, for a list of IRS-approved private delivery services.