

IRS Issued Draft 2026 Versions of Form 1099-DA and Form 1099-B

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On September 4th, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) issued draft 2026 versions of Form 1099-DA, Digital Asset Proceeds from Broker Transactions, and Form 1099-B, Proceeds from Broker and Barter Exchange Transactions. Both forms have been updated to provide separate entry fields for each address component. This change aligns with the IRS's Information Returns Intake System (IRIS), which requires parsed or separate data fields or submissions, marking a departure from the legacy FIRE system.

There were no other substantive changes to Form 1099-B. However, Form 1099-DA includes a few notable revisions:

- The description for box 11c has been updated to 'Aggregate gross proceeds of specified NFTs attributable
 to first sales by a creator or minter'. Previously, this box indicated that the gross proceeds amount was
 also included in box 1f. In the Instructions for Recipient, the word "aggregate" has been added to clarify
 that box 11c should report aggregate gross proceeds from specified non-fungible tokens (NFTs)
 attributable to first sales.
- The Instructions for Recipients also added a note that boxes 1d, 1e, 1g, 1h, 1i, 2, 3a, 3b, 5, 6, 8, 9, 12a, and 12b may be left blank if the broker is reporting sales of qualifying stablecoins or specified NFTs using an optional reporting method.
- Instructions for box 1a, Code for digital asset, have been updated to clarify that DTIF stands for "Digital Token Identifier Foundation", correcting the earlier reference to "Digital Token Identification Foundation".

KPMG Observations and Background

The IRS released an updated version of the 2025 Form 1099-DA instructions in June (May 30, 2025, revision). The updated instructions clarified that brokers using the optional method for reporting sales of specified NFTs must file two separate Forms 1099-DA if reporting both gross proceeds attributable to first sales by a creator or minter and gross proceeds attributable to specified NFT sales that are not first sales. With respect to the form reporting on first sales, the total gross proceeds from those first sales should be reported in box 11c, and box 1f is left blank. For more information about the updated 2025 Form 1099-DA instructions, see KPMG IRP e-Alert #2025-37, here.

The update to the box 11c description in the draft 2026 Form 1099-DA aligns with the updated 2025 instructions to the form. Interestingly, the IRS has not updated the 2025 Form 1099-DA that was finalized in January, despite the fact that the description to box 11c on the face of the form implies that the aggregate gross proceeds reported in that box are also reported in box 1f. As noted, that direction specifically contradicts the updated 2025 instructions that box 1f is left blank, which will likely lead to confusion as we approach the first reporting season for Form 1099-DA.

As a reminder, Notice 2024-56 provided general transitional relief from reporting penalties for any broker who does not timely and accurately file information returns and furnish payee statements for sales and exchanges of digital assets during the 2025 calendar year, provided that the broker makes a good faith effort to comply with the reporting obligations. The Notice also provided transitional relief from backup withholding for digital asset sales effected by a broker where the reportable proceeds is a specified NFT until further guidance is issued.

Reference

For further information, see the draft 2026 versions of Form 1099-DA, here, and Form 1099-B, here.

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