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IRS announces tax relief for taxpayers affected by severe winter storm in Mississippi

The IRS has announced tax relief for individuals and businesses in Mississippi affected by the severe winter storm that began on January 23, 2026. Taxpayers in the disaster area now have until June 8, 2026, to file federal individual and business tax returns and make tax payments originally due during this period.

According to the IRS release—[MS-2026-01](#)—following the disaster declaration issued by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), individuals and households that reside or have business in Mississippi qualify for tax relief.

The declaration permits the IRS to postpone certain tax-filing and tax-payment deadlines for taxpayers who reside or have a business in the disaster area. For instance, for certain deadlines falling on or after January 23, 2026, and on or before June 8, 2026, taxpayers are granted additional time to file.

Individual income tax returns and payments, as well as quarterly payroll and certain excise tax returns normally due on February 2, 2026, and April 30, 2026, are covered by the extension. Penalties on payroll and excise tax deposits due on or after January 23, 2026, and before February 9, 2026, will be abated as long as the tax deposits are made by February 9, 2026.

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