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Department of Revenue offers tips for property tax refund filers as deadline approaches

ST. PAUL, Minn. – The Minnesota Department of Revenue is reminding homeowners and renters that they need to file for a 2014 property tax refund by Aug. 17, 2015. State law provides for a one-year period to file for these refunds, however, the sooner the return is filed, the sooner the refund can be issued.

Additionally, claims for the 2013 property tax refunds must be filed on or before Aug. 17, 2015. Homeowners and renters will not be able to claim their refund for 2013 after this date because it expires.

“The property tax refund for homeowners and renters is a real benefit for working families in Minnesota,” said Revenue Commissioner Cynthia Bauerly. “With the deadline fast approaching, we want to make sure all taxpayers who are eligible take the opportunity to claim their refunds for 2013 and 2014.”

The department offers tips to filers to improve accuracy and help process returns more quickly.

- *Find out if you qualify for a property tax refund.* Renters and homeowners that meet certain household income requirements may be eligible. Visit our website to [see if you qualify](#).
- *File early.* The sooner you file, the sooner you could get your refund. Renters who filed before May 15 are already seeing refunds and homeowners filing electronically before July 1 may be eligible for refunds starting in late August.
- *Update your address.* Let us know if your address has changed. Filers who have moved since filing for their property tax refund should contact the department immediately to update their address.
- *Direct Deposit.* Direct Deposit is the fastest way to receive your refund. Filers should be sure their bank account will still be open in July, August and September when the refunds go out. If banking information is incorrect, the refund will be returned to the department and a paper check will be issued. This will delay your refund.

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- *Process.* During processing, the department verifies the taxpayer's identity before checking the return for errors and giving it a final review. The department may request more information from a taxpayer during this process. After final review is completed, the refund is released to the taxpayer

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