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Wisconsin Department of Revenue encourages taxpayers to sign up for an Identity Protection PIN

This week is National Consumer Protection Week, and the Wisconsin Department of Revenue (DOR) is reminding all taxpayers to further secure personal information with an <u>Identity Protection PIN</u>. The PIN will be used to file their 2021 individual income tax return and homestead credit claims.

The Wisconsin Identity Protection PIN is:

- Seven alpha-numeric characters
- Specific to Wisconsin returns and cannot be used on federal or other states' returns
- Entered in the signature section of Form 1, Form 1NPR, Schedule H, or Schedule H-EZ
- Year-specific:
 - Any Wisconsin individual income tax return or Homestead Credit claim filed during the calendar year will use the same PIN (applies to 2021 returns and forward)
 - Taxpayers who sign up for this program will receive a new PIN each year

To sign up for a PIN:

- Taxpayers must first establish an online account called My Tax Account (MTA)
- This process can take up to a week to complete as a letter is mailed to the user to complete their online account setup
- A link to instructions for this process is also found on this page <u>Identity Protection PIN</u>

<u>Follow DOR on Twitter</u> as DOR partners with the Internal Revenue Service to bring more tips on how to prevent identify theft, avoid internet scams, and secure personal taxpayer information.

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