2021 Schedule CR Instructions

General Instructions

Further information on these credits can be found on the schedule referred to on Schedule CR. For example, information on the agriculture credit will be found on Schedule MA-A.

IMPORTANT The various schedules also indicate what items must be enclosed with the tax return. Be sure to enclose:

- Schedule CR
- Schedule CF for carryforward of unused credits
- The appropriate listed schedule
- Any additional required information. For example, programs administered by the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) require certification by that corporation before claiming credits. Such certification must be enclosed.

NOTE When completing Parts I and II, on the appropriate line of column A, fill in the amount of credit that you have available for 2021 for each credit. In column B, fill in the amount of credit that you are actually using to offset tax for 2021.

If a credit is no longer available (only a carryforward of the credit is allowed), the amounts in Columns A and B of Schedule CR will be the same as the amounts in Columns (d) and (e) of Schedule CF.

CAUTION Individuals and Fiduciaries – When claiming the manufacturing or agriculture credit on line 14 or 15 of Schedule CR, the amount of credit available for 2021 to enter in column A is the amount from line 20 of the Schedule MA-A or MA-M. The amount of credit used for 2021 to enter in column B cannot be more than the amount on line 22 of Schedule MA-A or MA-M.

Various options are available when determining the amount of credit to be used each year. Except for the manufacturer’s sales tax credit, which must be used as determined on Schedule MS, you may choose whether to use all, a portion, or none of a nonrefundable credit for 2021.

For example, you have a $2,000 research expense credit and a $4,000 development zones credit available for 2021. The amount of tax shown on the return is $2,000. You may choose to use (1) all of the $2,000 research expense credit and none of the development zones credit or (2) none of the research expense credit and $2,000 of the development zones credit.

Specific Instructions

Part I – Credits for Individuals, Fiduciaries, and Corporations

Line 34. Add the amounts on lines 26 through 33, columns A and B. Enter the total on line 34, columns A and B. Enter the amount from line 34, column B, on the line indicated below:

Individuals – Line 15 of Form 1 or line 48 of Form 1NPR
Estates and Trusts – Line 7 of Form 2, line 22 of Schedule ESBT, or line 20 of Form 4T
Corporations – Line 41 of Schedule CR (enter the amount from line 34, columns A and B, on line 41, columns A and B)

Enclose Schedule CR and the appropriate schedule for each credit you are claiming with your Form 1, 1NPR, 2, or 4T.

Line 40. Add the amounts on lines 35 through 39, column B, and enter the total on line 40, column B. Enter the amount from line 40, column B, on the line indicated below:

Individuals – Line 31 of Form 1 or line 64 of Form 1NPR
Estates and Trusts – Line 15 of Form 2 or line 31 of Form 4T
Corporations – Line 44, column B, of Schedule CR

Enclose Schedule CR and the appropriate schedule for each credit you are claiming with your Form 1, 1NPR, 2, or 4T.
Part II – Credits for Corporations Only

A. Nonrefundable Credits

**Line 43** Add lines 41 and 42, columns A and B. This is the total available nonrefundable credits. Enter the total from column B on line 43, column B, and on line 19 of Form 4 or line 12 of Form 4T. **Enclose Schedule CR and the appropriate schedule for each credit you are claiming with your Form 4 or 4T.**

B. Refundable Credits

**Line 46** Add lines 44, 45a, and 45b, column B. This is the total available refundable credits. Enter the total on line 46, column B, and on line 27 of Form 4 or line 31 of Form 4T. **Enclose Schedule CR and the appropriate schedule for each credit you are claiming with your Form 4 or 4T.**

**Applicable Laws and Rules**

This document provides statements or interpretations of the following laws and regulations in effect as of October 7, 2021: Chapter 71, Wis. Stats.