

The Earned Income Credit

DO I QUALIFY?

YOU MUST HAVE EARNED INCOME

Qualifying Income Sources

- Wages, salaries, tips, and other taxable employee wages
- Long-term disability payments received before the minimum retirement age
- Net earnings for self-employed, statutory employee, farmers, ministers, and religious order members
- Independent contractor wages
- "Strike Pay" wages as a union benefit
- Combat pay



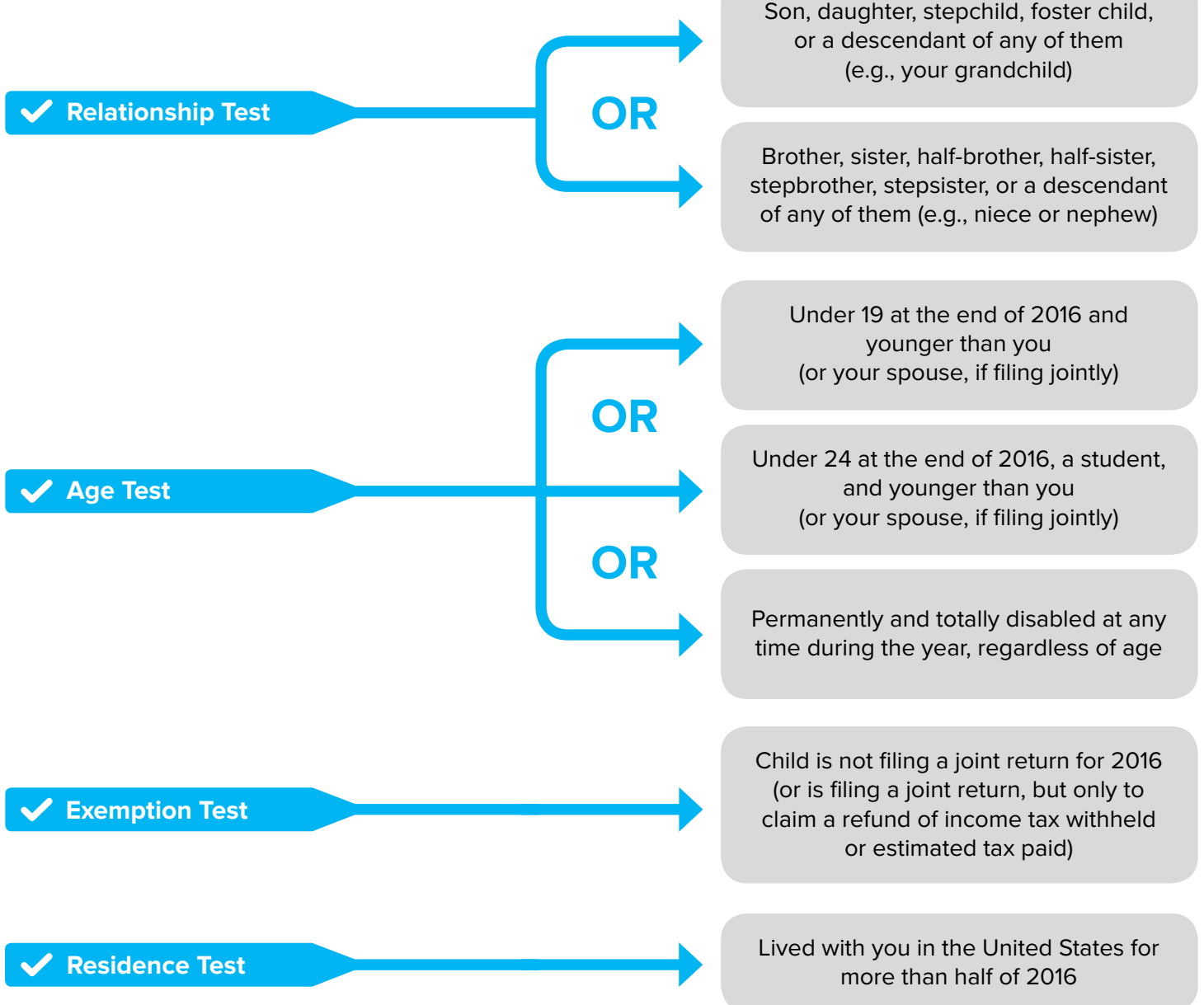
OTHER REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a U.S. citizen or resident alien with a valid Social Security Number.
- You cannot file as married filing separately.
- You cannot be a qualifying child of another taxpayer.
- Investment income must be \$3,400 or less for the year.



BIGGER FAMILY = BIGGER CREDIT

Do You Have a "Qualifying Child?"



i You can claim the credit even if you do not have a qualifying child.

TAXABLE EARNED INCOME AND ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME THRESHOLDS

Filing Status	No Children	One Child	Two Children	Three+ Children
Single, Head of Household, or Qualifying Widow(er)	\$14,880	\$39,296	\$44,648	\$47,995
Married Filing Jointly	\$20,430	\$44,846	\$50,198	\$53,505

MAXIMUM CREDIT AMOUNTS FOR 2016

