

# EIC Due Diligence Assistant

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2016

Name(s) as shown on return

Tax ID Number

## Part I All Taxpayers

<p><b>1</b> Enter preparer's name and PTIN ▶ _____</p>	
<p><b>2</b> Is the taxpayer's filing status married filing separately? . . . . .</p> <p>▶ If you checked "<b>Yes</b>" on line 2, <b>stop</b>; the taxpayer <b>cannot</b> take the EIC. Otherwise, continue.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b></p>
<p><b>3</b> Does the taxpayer (and the taxpayer's spouse if filing jointly) have a social security number (SSN) that allows him or her to work and is valid for EIC purposes? See the instructions before answering . . . . .</p> <p>▶ If you checked "<b>No</b>" on line 3, <b>stop</b>; the taxpayer <b>cannot</b> take the EIC. Otherwise, continue.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b></p>
<p><b>4</b> Is the taxpayer (or the taxpayer's spouse if filing jointly) filing Form 2555 or 2555-EZ (relating to the exclusion of foreign earned income)? . . . . .</p> <p>▶ If you checked "<b>Yes</b>" on line 4, <b>stop</b>; the taxpayer <b>cannot</b> take the EIC. Otherwise, continue.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b></p>
<p><b>5a</b> Was the taxpayer (or the taxpayer's spouse) a nonresident alien for any part of 2016? . . . . .</p> <p>▶ If you checked "<b>Yes</b>" on line 5a, go to line 5b. Otherwise, skip line 5b and go to line 6.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b></p>
<p><b>b</b> Is the taxpayer's filing status married filing jointly? . . . . .</p> <p>▶ If you checked "<b>Yes</b>" on line 5a and "<b>No</b>" on line 5b, <b>stop</b>; the taxpayer <b>cannot</b> take the EIC. Otherwise, continue.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b></p>
<p><b>6</b> Is the taxpayer's <b>investment income</b> more than \$3,400? . . . . .</p> <p>▶ If you checked "<b>Yes</b>" on line 6, <b>stop</b>; the taxpayer <b>cannot</b> take the EIC. Otherwise, continue.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b></p>
<p><b>7</b> Could the taxpayer be a <b>qualifying child</b> of another person for 2016? If the taxpayer's filing status is married filing jointly, check "<b>No</b>." . . . . .</p> <p>▶ If you checked "<b>Yes</b>" on line 7, <b>stop</b>; the taxpayer <b>cannot</b> take the EIC. Otherwise, go to Part II or Part III, whichever applies.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes</b>    <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No</b></p>

Taxpayer's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Initials \_\_\_\_\_