

Voluntary Self-Identification of Race and Ethnicity

A new process, starting in January 2025, where a taxpayer can choose to provide information about their race and ethnicity to the Oregon Department of Revenue when they file their personal income tax return.

What is it?

Self-identification is when a taxpayer chooses to provide their race and ethnicity information to the Oregon Department of Revenue.

To provide the information, taxpayers use a separate form included with the Oregon income tax return. People without a return filing requirement may file a form separately on Revenue Online.

Why we ask?

Your answers to race and ethnicity questions will help state economists and researchers analyze inequity in tax policy. Their research will inform current and future tax policy conversations.

Taxpayer participation across Oregon is important. The more taxpayers who choose to share their race and ethnicity information the more accurate the research data will be.

You get to decide.

It's up to you whether you answer the race and ethnicity questions. The form is voluntary. You aren't required to provide answers to the race and ethnicity questions.

The Oregon Department of Revenue hopes you'll answer these questions, so it can better serve you and all Oregonians.

How do you protect my privacy?

We want everyone to feel safe answering race and ethnicity questions. Your information is strictly confidential and protected.

We will secure your information and only authorized individuals will have access to it. We will not use your information for any other purpose. Your race and ethnicity information will not include any personal identifying information, such as name, address, or phone number.

Tax professionals and tax software companies will not use your information for anything other than assisting you in filing your return.

We will not share your information with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS).

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