

PLEASE ANSWER ALL OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

PREFERENCES & PROCESSING

Please let us know your preferences with regard to the delivery of your tax return. Please check one:

- Electronic PDF available through our portal Paper Copy

All income tax returns are prepared for e-filing, unless specific reasons disqualify them

FOREIGN BANK ACCOUNTS, FOREIGN ASSETS, AND FOREIGN TAXES	YES	NO
At any time during 2023, did you have a financial interest in or signature authority over financial accounts (such as a bank account, securities account, or brokerage account) located in a foreign country?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
During 2023, did you receive any distribution from, or were you the grantor of, or transferor to, a foreign trust?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have any Canadian RRSP, RRIF, or RHOSP accounts?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have any Canadian TFSAs? If yes, please provide name of payer and income amount received in 2023.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
At any time during 2023, did you have a 5% or more ownership interest in any non-US entity, either directly or through close family members?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

MISCELLANEOUS

Did you make any gifts that total more than \$17,000 in 2023 to any one individual?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you make any contributions to a Roth IRA or Non-deductible IRA in 2023? If so, please provide details? (Please provide details regarding prior years if you are a new client.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
For charitable contributions of \$250 or more, did you obtain a receipt that includes the name of the charity, the date and amount of the contribution, and whether any goods or services were received in exchange for the donation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
At any time during 2023, did you receive, sell, send, exchange or otherwise acquire any financial interest in any virtual currency?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

FOR SOLE PROPRIETOR – SCHEDULE C FILERS ONLY

Did your business make any payments to any attorney regardless of amount, or of \$600 or more for rent or services to any individual, or to any non-incorporated business during 2023?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, did your business file or will it file all required Form(s) 1099? (Due January 31, 2024)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you have a written log or records to substantiate any business mileage claimed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did you maintain documentation to support business meal expenses? Documentation should include: who is present; when and where the meal took place; and the purpose of the meal.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please print name of taxpayer(s): _____

2023 INDIVIDUAL TAX RETURN - CHECKLIST

Consider all those sections that may apply to your situation.

GENERAL INFO

1. If your **marital status** changed in 2023, please provide complete details.
2. If **gifts made** total \$17,000 or more to any one individual in 2023 please provide recipient's name, address, Social Security Number, date(s) of all gifts, item(s) gifted, value(s) of all gifts, and cost basis.
3. If you wish to have your federal income tax refund (if applicable) **directly deposited** to your bank account, you must provide us with a current voided check and indicate whether the account is checking or savings. We are no longer permitted to use this information from a prior year.
4. **New Motor Vehicle:** If you bought a new alternative fuel motor vehicle, please provide a copy of the purchase paperwork to determine if it qualifies for a tax credit.
5. **Energy efficiency expenses:** If you installed certain energy efficient property, such as photovoltaic, solar water heating, fuel cell property, residential wind property, geothermal heat pumps, or made major energy efficient improvements to your home, please provide details.
6. **Health Care Coverage:** Did you have minimum essential health care coverage for yourself, your spouse, and anyone you could or did claim as a dependent for any month of 2023? If yes, you will need to provide us with the reporting document(s), Form 1095-A, 1095-B, and/or 1095-C, which you would have received from either the marketplace, your employer, and/or your insurance company.

CHILDREN

7. **New Dependents:** Please provide us with a clear copy of your child's Social Security card.
8. If any child's **total income** exceeds **\$1,250** for the year (\$400 if self-employed), please provide details of all of his/her income. This is required for *all dependents* under age 24.
9. **Childcare expenses:** Name and address of each provider as well as total paid to each. Show Social Security Number or employer identification number of the provider, as appropriate.
10. **Household employees:** If you paid household employees more than **\$2,700** in 2023, please provide employee's name, address, Social Security Number, gross wages, and all taxes withheld. Provide your employer identification number and copies of any payroll tax forms prepared, including W-2s.
11. **Post-Secondary Education:** Indicate which dependents may be attending college or university, along with the name, complete address, and the institution's federal identification number, as well as whether the student is attending full or part-time. Please provide a copy of Form 1098-T.
12. **Education Deductions/Credits:** If you paid tuition and related expenses during 2023 for yourself or a family member who was enrolled in post-secondary education, you may be eligible. Provide amount paid, for whom, and name and address of institution. We will request additional certification information, if eligible.
13. **Section 529 or Coverdell Education Savings Plans:** If you contributed in 2023 to any 529 type plan, please provide amount contributed, year of contribution, name of beneficiary, and any statements or tax slips reporting the contribution or any withdrawals.

OTHER STATES

14. If you lived or worked in **more than one state** during the year, show periods of residency and/or employment in each state, and identify income from each of the states. We may need additional information, depending on the state, and will request it if not already available.

INCOME TAXES

15. **IRS estimated tax** payments and **state estimated tax** payments made for 2023 (even if paid in early 2024 for 2023): Show amount of each payment and date of mailing.
16. Did you receive any **tax notices** from either the **IRS** or **any state** changing your prior year tax returns? If so, please provide us with a copy if you have not already done so.

FOREIGN ISSUES (FOREIGN GIFTS RECEIVED TRUSTS, ETC.)

****New** Underused Housing Tax for residential property located in Canada:** If you are NOT a Canadian citizen or permanent resident, and you own a residential property in Canada, please contact us to discuss the possible application of this new tax to your situation.

17. If you **received** aggregate **foreign gifts** or **foreign inheritances** exceeding **\$100,000** in 2023, please provide complete details of all foreign gifts received for the year. Disclosure rules are in effect.
18. If you received **any distributions** from a **foreign trust** or **estate** during 2023, provide all details about the payor and the funds received - whether taxable or not. In addition, all contributions or transfers **to** a foreign trust must be described in detail. There are strict disclosure requirements. Furthermore, if you are a current or future beneficiary of a foreign trust, even if you have not received any distributions, there may be significant tax implications. *Please call us to discuss.*
19. **Foreign (non-US) financial** accounts and **other foreign assets**, if any: Please see enclosed "Important Notice Non-US Account & Asset Disclosure". **Please note that the required informational Form FinCEN 114 is due April 15, 2024 but can be extended for a maximum of six months to October 15, 2024.**
20. If you have a 5% or more ownership interest in **any non-US entity**, either directly or through close family members, please provide complete details and recent financial statements from such entity.
21. *If you have any **Canadian RRSP, RRIF, TFSA, or RESP** accounts, please provide the December 31, 2023 statement for each account, whether receiving distributions or not.*

GENERAL INCOME

22. **Wages/Employment income:** Provide all W-2 forms, 1099-NEC, and 1099-MISC forms, if any. *Indicate if your main occupation changed.*
23. **Social Security benefits**, whether taxable or not: Provide a copy of all SSA-1099 forms.
24. **Pension** (including foreign pension income) or **IRA income** or distributions: Provide a copy of all 1099-R forms.
25. **Alimony received:** Indicate total amount received; please include complete copy of divorce agreement or any subsequent changes, if not previously provided.
26. Any **other sources** of income, including unemployment compensation, not listed elsewhere in this checklist: Give amount received, name of payor, and brief description.

PORTFOLIO INVESTMENT INCOME (Schedule B)

27. **Interest and dividends:** Provide 1099 forms for each item, **or** if no slip is available, provide name of payor, tax identification number of payor, amount received, and amount of any US tax withheld.
28. **Municipal interest** - whether taxable or not: Provide documentation that shows name of payor(s), amounts received during the year, and name of the state(s) in which the payor is located.
29. **Mutual funds:** For each fund held during 2023, please provide a copy of the annual statement in addition to the 1099 form.
30. **US Government interest:** If US Government interest is received through a trust or mutual fund, we will require paperwork from the trustee or mutual fund detailing the exact source of the interest.

BUSINESS ACTIVITIES (Schedules C, F)

31. If you received any income from **self-employment**, please complete a separate business checklist. If none was enclosed, please visit our website at www.herrickglobal.com, or call us and we will send you a copy.
32. **Health insurance** and/or **long-term care insurance** paid by self-employed persons (as well as by partners, LLC members, and S-Corporation shareholders) may be deductible regardless of whether or not you itemize deductions on Schedule A. Please provide the amount paid for such insurance.

CAPITAL GAINS - LOSSES (Schedule D)

33. All **dispositions**: Show a brief description of asset, date of **acquisition**, total cost including fees, if any, **exact date** of disposition, and the net proceeds. If you invested in a stock that experienced a tax-free spin-off, please provide us with the documentation received from the company. If you repurchased any stock within 30 days of a prior loss sale, please provide complete details of the purchase (Wash Sale rules apply).
34. **Stocks, Bonds**, and similar US securities: In addition to the above information, please provide a copy of each 1099-B form received for all dispositions.
35. **All real estate** sales: Provide a copy of each 1099-S form **and** the closing statements for the real estate purchase as well as the sale. Also, provide us with a copy of your state withholding form if property sold was located in a state where tax was withheld. If any improvements were made to the property while owned, we will need a complete list of them.

OTHER INVESTMENT INCOME (Schedule E)

36. **Limited partnerships** and **regular partnerships**: Provide a copy of all K-1 forms, all pages, as well as any tax information provided by the partnership. NOTE: If income was **earned in another state**, you may be required to file an income tax return for that state.
37. **S-Corporations** and **LLCs**: Provide a copy of all K-1 forms, all pages.
38. For **each** of the above investments, please discuss with us the rules regarding material and significant participation and the possible need for documentation of time spent.
39. **Estates or trusts**: Provide a copy of all K-1 forms, all pages.

RENTAL INCOME (Schedule E)

40. Total **gross income** for **each** separate rental property.
41. All **expenses** for **each** separate rental property, by type or category, including capital improvements. For capital improvements, list dates, descriptions, and amounts paid.
42. For **new acquisition(s)**: Date acquired, cost of property, division of cost between land and building(s), copy of all closing statements, and the mortgage/promissory note documents.
43. **If rented only part of year**: If you used the property personally during 2023, please indicate how many days personally used and how many days rented.

PENSION DEDUCTIONS

44. **Regular IRA contributions**: Provide amount paid into your plan. Show **spouse's** contributions separately. If part or all of your regular IRA contributions for prior and current year were non-deductible and you received any distributions from any IRA type account, we will need copies of the December 31, 2022 and December 31, 2023 statements for each IRA account.
45. **Roth IRA contributions**: If you made or have ever contributed into a Roth IRA plan, please provide statement(s) showing the account activity for the year. Provide spouse's Roth IRA activity separately.
46. **Regular IRA to Roth IRA conversions**: Include all paperwork and reports for all conversions (rollovers) from a regular IRA to a Roth IRA.

47. **Other pension contributions made personally** (SEP, KEOGH, SIMPLE, etc.): Provide amount paid into plan and type of plan, if appropriate; we will compute maximum contributions and discuss them with you. **Remember, voluntary contributions to SIMPLE or 401(k) type plans must be paid in by January 30, 2024.**

GENERAL DEDUCTIONS

48. **Alimony paid:** Provide amount paid, and name, address, and Social Security Number of payee. Please include a complete copy of the divorce agreement or any subsequent changes, if not previously provided.
49. **Moving expenses for members of the Armed Forces only:** Provide amounts paid and complete details, provide amount reimbursed, and attach all documentation.
50. **Student loan interest:** Interest paid on qualified education loans may be deductible. Provide a copy of form 1098-E from the lender - or other proof of interest paid.
51. **Teachers:** Provide the amount paid for all unreimbursed classroom materials you may have purchased (K-12 teachers, principals, aides, counselors, etc.). This applies whether you itemize or not.
52. **Health Saving Account (HSA):** Please provide details for all contributions made to your HSA (or your family's HSA) for 2023. Please indicate your annual deductible amount, provide a copy of your HSA annual statement, and indicate if any distributions were NOT made for qualified medical expenses.

ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS (Schedule A)

53. **Real estate taxes:** Please provide amount of all taxes paid and rebates received in the year. Please provide a copy of all tax bills showing that they were paid. (Vermont residents: Please also see separate Vermont page with checklist.)
54. **Home Mortgage interest** (including vacation homes): If paid to a financial institution, attach Form(s) 1098. If private, show amount, name and address of payee, and their Social Security Number. If **newly financed or refinanced**, provide a copy of the financing closing statement(s). If home equity loan was used to finance anything other than home improvements, please provide details.
55. **Contributions:** All donations to charity require documentation. Please provide a *list* of all donations showing amount given and name of recipient. In addition, provide copies of all donation receipts for each gift of \$250 or greater. For donated autos provide Form 1098-C, which must be attached to the return. Do not include political contributions or lobbying donations - they are **not** deductible.
56. **Medical expenses/long-term care insurance:** Provide total amount paid by category (such as doctors, dentists, optical, health and long-term care insurance*, medications, Christian Science practitioners, chiropractors, hospitals, medical transportation, etc.). *If you are self-employed, a partner, an LLC member, or an S-corporation shareholder, see item 33.
57. **Investment interest expense:** Provide total amount of interest paid on loans to purchase or hold investments, and show for which type(s) of investments the loans were used. Note: You must be able to trace directly the use of the borrowed funds to the acquisition of the investment for the interest expense to be deductible.
58. **Casualty and theft losses:** For a federally declared disaster, provide amount(s) and details if total exceeds 10% of total annual income; indicate all insurance reimbursements.
59. **Miscellaneous Itemized Deductions:** Most items previously subject to the 2% AGI limitation are no longer deductible (such as unreimbursed employee expenses and investment management fees). However, Deductions for Income in Respect of a Decedent (IRD Deduction) and gambling losses to the extent of gambling winnings still may be deductible.

WHAT'S NEW IN VERMONT – 2023

PLEASE ANSWER THE QUESTIONS BELOW AND RETURN THIS SHEET TO US

HEALTHCARE COVERAGE

- I/we did maintain essential healthcare coverage throughout all of the 2023 tax year.

SALES TAX (USE TAX) ON OUT-OF-STATE PURCHASES

If you purchased taxable items from any out-of-state business in 2023 on which you did not pay sales tax, **you are liable for use tax on those purchases.**

PLEASE CHOOSE THE APPROPRIATE STATUS BELOW:

- I/we have kept records and know the actual (or a good estimate) amount of qualifying out-of-state and mail order purchases on which no sales tax was charged. That amount is: _____.
(Do not include purchases of new clothing, shoes, food, prescription drugs, or newspapers, as these are exempt.)
- I/we do **not** have accurate records of all my/our purchases, and I/we did **not** make any individual purchases greater than \$1,000. I/we will use the standard Vermont Sales (Use) Tax Assessment (0.05% of my/our Vermont adjusted gross income) in lieu of actual sales/use tax occurring on out-of-state and mail order purchases, and I/we authorize that standard amount to be included on my/our Vermont tax return.
- I/we did not purchase any taxable items in 2023 from sellers outside Vermont on which I/we did not pay sales tax. (Your tax return will then be prepared using the certification under penalties of perjury that no Use Tax is due.)

IN ADDITION, IF APPLICABLE:

- I/we made an individual purchase (or purchases) greater than \$1,000 each. The exact amount of such purchase(s) is: _____.

VERMONT SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

If you wish to contribute on your Vermont tax return, to any of the following special Vermont Funds, please indicate the amount below. Your contribution will be tax deductible if you itemize your deductions in 2024.

	AMOUNT
Vermont Nongame Wildlife Fund	_____
Vermont Children's Trust Fund	_____
Vermont Veterans' Fund	_____
Green Up Vermont Fund	_____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

PLEASE ALSO READ OTHER SIDE

ESTATE TAX - VERMONT - IMPORTANT

While the federal estate tax exemption was increased to \$12,920,000 for 2023, Vermont continues to tax estates in excess of \$5,000,000 for 2023. This means that a decedent's estate may be exempt at the federal level, **but taxable in Vermont.**

PROPERTY TAX REPORTING

Homestead declarations must be filed each year. All Vermont resident homeowners must file Section A of Form HS-122 by April 15, 2024, even if a claim for the property tax credit is not made. The Homestead Declaration and Property Tax Credit Claim are combined on Form HS-122.

If your 2023 household income is under \$128,000, Section B of Form HS-122 will also need to be completed, and Household Income Form HI-144 will need to be attached. HerrickGlobal will prepare Section B of Form HS-122 and Form HI-144 if it looks as though you may qualify for a property tax credit. The calculation for the property tax credit will use the 2023 household income, 2023 house site value, and 2023 property taxes on the house site, *therefore we will need a copy of your 2023-2024 property tax bill.*

The 2024 property tax credit, if any, **goes directly to your town** as a credit towards your 2024/2025 property tax bill. The Vermont Department of Taxes will send notifications to homeowners of the amount credited to their property tax bill. The maximum adjustment amount is \$8,000. Homeowners filing a completed HI-144 between April 15 and October 15, 2024 may still qualify for a property tax credit. A \$15 late filing fee will be deducted from the credit.

*To prepare Form HI-144, we will need the amount and type of other income received, which may not normally be taxable (e.g., child support, veteran's benefits, cash gifts, etc.). Furthermore, we also need complete details of the amounts and types of all income for **ALL OTHER MEMBERS OF YOUR HOUSEHOLD** not included on this tax return (includes children, roommates, and non-family persons).*

NOTE: If you have adult children who use your address for filing their Vermont tax returns, this may cause problems unless all of *their* income is reported on the property tax credit claim.

CAPITAL GAINS

The general exclusion amount for tax year 2023 is \$5,000 or the actual amount of net adjusted capital gains, whichever is less. Taxpayers may opt to exclude 40% of their adjusted net capital gain from the sale of certain assets held for more than three years. Only certain categories of capital gain income are eligible for this 40% exclusion.

VERMONT 529 COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN

If you contributed during 2023 to a 529 plan administered by VSAC (Vermont Student Assistance Corporation), please provide copies of the year-end statement as you may be eligible for a Vermont tax credit. If you are eligible for the credit, the tax department will want a copy of the supporting statement sent to them.

W-2 REPORTING

IRS requires employers to report the medical insurance premiums paid on behalf of an employee in Box 12 of the W-2, with code DD - this amount is not taxable and is informational only.

IMPORTANT NOTICE NON-US ACCOUNT & ASSET DISCLOSURE

Taxpayers with a financial interest in or signature authority over financial accounts are required to report them if the aggregate value of those accounts exceeds \$10,000 at any time during the calendar year.

The foreign bank account reporting (commonly known as the “FBAR” form) is separate from the filing of the federal tax return. As of July 1, 2013, all filing (including late and amended forms) must be done electronically. The Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN), a division of the Department of the Treasury, has established the Bank Secrecy Act (BSA) E-Filing System for such electronic filing.

FinCEN Form 114 is the Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts. Form 114a, Record of Authorization to Electronically File FBARs, will be used to obtain permission from you in order that we may electronically file an FBAR on your behalf.

Filing Deadline: April 15th

Please note: Under the Surface Transportation Act, the filing deadline also provides for the FBAR filing to be extended for six months ending October 15, 2024.

In addition to the FBAR filing requirement, US Individual Taxpayers holding foreign financial assets that exceed certain thresholds must report those assets to the IRS on Form 8938, Statement of Specified Foreign Financial Assets, which is filed with an income tax return.

Types of Non-US Accounts and Assets to be Reported:

- Bank or similar accounts
- Investment or similar accounts
- Pension accounts over which you have some control
- Cash surrender value of non-US life insurance
- All stocks, bonds, financial contracts, or any other investments NOT held in a brokerage account, or some other account already disclosed*
- Any account or investment in which you have a financial interest, *even if not in your name*
- Any account for which you have signing authority, even if you have no financial interest therein
- (Do not overlook foreign corporate or trust accounts, or accounts of foreign family members, for which you have direct signing authority or hold a Power of Attorney.)

Information Needed: (Please provide the following for ALL non-US accounts and investments)

- Name of financial institution or investment entity
- Full mailing address of financial institution or entity
- Account number
- In the case of financial accounts, maximum value in the account at ANY TIME during the year (exact amount, not a range) – show which currency
- In the case of all other financial assets, the fair market value of the asset as of the last day of the year – show which currency*
- (Please use the other side to provide this data to us.)

FOREIGN (NON-US) FINANCIAL ACCOUNT
AND ASSET DISCLOSURE

Tax Year: _____ Name of Taxpayer: _____

The US government requires the disclosure of all foreign financial accounts and investments as more fully described on the other side of this form.

To assist with this, please record the data in the spaces below. Feel free to make photocopies if extra space is needed. We also suggest reviewing your prior year tax return to ensure that no small accounts are overlooked. *Please use a separate page for each spouse, if appropriate.*

If any account was closed during 2023, please indicate the date it was closed.

Name of Financial Entity	Mailing Address of Financial Entity	Account Number	Maximum FMV(1)	Type of Currency	Type of Asset

(1) FMV = Fair Market Value during the year