

New York State Department of Taxation and Finance Instructions for Form IT-204-LL Limited Liability Company/Limited Liability Partnership Filing Fee Payment Form



You may be able to e-file this form through your tax preparation software. A complete list of tax year 2008 personal income tax forms that can be e-filed is provided on our Web site (at *www.nystax.gov/elf/*).

# New for 2008

#### Changes to limited liability company (LLC) and limited liability partnership (LLP) filing fee calculation and reinstated filing fee for LLCs that are disregarded entities

For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2008, the amount of the filing fee for LLCs and LLPs that are treated as partnerships for federal income tax purposes and have income from New York sources will be based on the New York source gross income of the LLC or LLP rather than the number of members or partners. The New York source gross income is calculated for the tax year immediately preceding the tax year for which the fee is due.

The filing fees for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2008, range from \$25 if the New York source gross income is \$100,000 or less, to \$4,500 for LLCs or LLPs with New York source gross income of over \$25,000,000. If the LLC or LLP does not have any New York source gross income from the preceding tax year, the filing fee is \$25.

In addition, LLCs that are disregarded entities for federal income tax purposes are subject to a filing fee of \$25 for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2008.

# **General information**

# Who must file

This form must be filed by every LLC that is a disregarded entity for federal income tax purposes, and every LLC, limited liability investment company (LLIC), limited liability trust company (LLTC), or LLP that is required to file Form IT-204, *Partnership Return*. It is used as a means of remitting the state filing fee or to indicate why the LLC or LLP does not owe a fee for the current tax year.

# Who must pay the filing fee

Every domestic or foreign LLC or LLP that is required to file a New York State partnership return **and** that has any income, gain, loss, or deduction from New York sources must pay a New York State filing fee.

**Note:** An LLC or LLP with no income, gain, loss, or deduction from New York sources who is filing a partnership return solely because it has a New York resident partner, is formed under the laws of New York State, or is dormant, is not subject to the filing fee.

The amount of the filing fee will be based on the New York source gross income for the tax year immediately preceding the tax year for which the fee is due. If the LLC or LLP did not have any New York source gross income for the preceding tax year, the filing fee is \$25.

*New York source gross income* is defined as the sum of the partners' or members' shares of federal gross income from the LLP or LLC, derived from or connected with New York State sources without any allowance or deduction for cost of goods sold, determined in accordance with the provisions of section 631 of the New York State Tax Law as if those provisions and any related provisions expressly referred to a computation of federal gross income from New York sources. In addition, an LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for federal income tax purposes and that has any income, gain, loss, or deduction from New York sources is also subject to this fee. The amount of the filing fee for an LLC that is treated as a disregarded entity for federal income tax purposes is \$25.

There is no proration of the filing fee if the LLC or LLP has a short tax year for federal tax purposes.

# When to file

You must file Form IT-204-LL within 30 days after the last day of your tax year. Attach full remittance of any filing fee due to the form. There is no extension of time to file Form IT-204-LL or pay the annual fee.

# Where to file

Mail Form IT-204-LL and your remittance, if any, to: STATE PROCESSING CENTER PO BOX 22076 ALBANY NY 12201-2076

Private delivery services - If you choose, you may use a private delivery service, instead of the U.S. Postal Service, to mail in your return and tax payment. However, if, at a later date, you need to establish the date you filed your return or paid your tax, you cannot use the date recorded by a private delivery service unless you used a delivery service that has been designated by the U.S. Secretary of the Treasury or the Commissioner of Taxation and Finance. (Currently designated delivery services are listed in Publication 55, Designated Private Delivery Services. See Need help? on page 3 for information on obtaining forms and publications.) If you have used a designated private delivery service and need to establish the date you filed your return, contact that private delivery service for instructions on how to obtain written proof of the date your return was given to the delivery service for delivery. If you use any private delivery service, whether it is a designated service or not, send the forms covered by these instructions to: State Processing Center, 431C Broadway, Albany NY 12204-2836.

# Additional filing requirements

- Both domestic LLCs and LLPs are required to register with the New York State Department of State. In addition, foreign LLCs and LLPs that wish to carry on or conduct business or activities in New York State must also register with the Department of State. Taxpayers who have questions concerning the registration process should write to the New York State Department of State, 41 State Street, Albany NY 12231-0001, or call (518) 473-2492.
- The New York personal income tax and corporation franchise taxes conform with the federal income tax classification of LLCs and LLPs. Accordingly, an LLC or LLP that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes must, if it meets the requirements (see Form IT-204-I, *Instructions for Form IT-204*), file a New York State partnership return using Form IT-204. Returns for calendar year 2008 are due April 15, 2009. Fiscal-year returns are due the 15th day of the fourth month after the end of the tax year.
- New York City Information regarding the tax treatment of an LLC or LLP for purposes of the New York City General Corporation Tax (GCT) and the New York City Unincorporated Business Tax (UBT) is provided in the New York City Department of Finance memorandum 99-1. This memorandum is available on the NYC Department of Finance Web site at *www.nyc.gov/finance* or by calling their taxpayer assistance line at (212) 504-4036.

# **Specific instructions**

**Change of business information** — If you marked an **X** in the box to indicate a change of address, enter your new address in the spaces provided, and report any other changes, including your business name, ID number, mailing address, physical address, telephone number, or owner/officer information on Form DTF-95, *Business Tax Account Update*. If only your address has changed, you may use Form DTF-96, *Report of Address Change for Business Tax Accounts*, to correct your address for this and all other tax types. You can get these forms from our Web site, or by fax or phone. See *Need help*? on page 3 for the phone number and Web address.

 $\ensuremath{\textbf{Special condition code}}$  – No special condition code exists at this time.

### Part 1 — General information

Line 1 — Income from New York State sources includes:

- income attributable to the ownership of any interest in real property or tangible personal property located in New York State, and intangible personal property to the extent that it is used in a business, trade, profession, or occupation carried on in New York State; and
- 2) income attributable to a business, trade, profession, or occupation carried on in New York State; and
- 3) any gain from the sale, transfer, or other disposition of shares of stock in a cooperative housing corporation in connection with the grant or transfer of a proprietary leasehold, when the real property comprising the units of such cooperative housing corporation is located in New York State, whether or not connected with a business.

A partnership carries on a business, trade, profession, or occupation within New York State if (1) it maintains or operates an office, shop, store, warehouse, factory, agency, or other place in New York State where its affairs are systematically and regularly carried on, or (2) it performs a series of acts or transactions in New York State with regularity and continuity for livelihood or profit, as distinguished from isolated or incidental transactions.

**Note:** An LLC or LLP that has a net loss derived from New York sources during the tax year must still mark an **X** in the Yes box.

**LLCs that are disregarded entities for federal income tax purposes:** Skip lines 4 and 5 and continue with Part 3.

# Part 2 – LLCs and LLPs treated as partnerships for federal income tax purposes

**Line 4** — Use the worksheet below to compute your modified federal and New York source gross income for tax year 2007.

Enter in column A, the amounts for lines 1 through 13 as instructed below.

Enter in column B, the portion of column A (if any), that relates to New York sources.

Tiered partnerships: Do not include on lines 1 through 13 of the worksheet income from any partnership in which you are a partner. The partnership should provide you with an amount to enter on line 14.

If you did not have any New York source gross income for tax year 2007, enter  ${\pmb o}$  on line 4.

New York source gross income worksheet			Α	В
	Enter 2007 amounts		Modified federal gross income	New York source gross income
1	Enter the amount from federal Form 1065, line 1c	1.		
2	Enter the amount from federal Form 1065, Schedule K, line 5	2.		
3	Enter the amount from federal Form 1065, Schedule K, line 6a	3.		
4	Enter the amount from federal Form 1065, Schedule K, line 7	4.		
5	Enter any income (not losses) included on federal Form 1065, Schedule K, line 11	5.		
6	Add the gain (not loss) amounts from federal Schedule D (Form 1065), column (f), lines 1 and 6, and the gains (not losses) from lines 2, 3, 7, 8, and 10	6.		
7	Add the gain (not loss) amounts on federal Form 4797, column (g), lines 2 through 6, 10, and 13 through 16	7.		
8	Enter the amount from federal Form 8825, line 17	8.		
9	Enter the income (not loss) from federal Schedule F (Form 1040), line 11	9.		
10	Enter amount from federal Schedule F (Form 1040), line 2	10.		
11	Enter any income (not losses) included on federal Form 1065, Schedule K, line 3a, not included above	11.		
12	Enter any income (not losses) included on federal Form 1065, line 4, from estates and trusts not included above	12.		
13	Enter any income (not losses) included on federal Form 1065, line 7, not included above	13.		
14	New York source gross income from lower tiered partnerships	14.		
15	Total (add column B, lines 1 through 14); enter the amount here and on Form IT-204-LL, line 4	15.		

**Line 5 LLC/LLP filing fee** — From the table below, find the amount of the New York source gross income reported on line 4 and enter the corresponding amount of the LLC or LLP filing fee on line 5. If you entered *0* on line 4, enter *25* on line 5.

LLC and LLF If the New York source gross income of the LLC or LLP on line 4 is more than:	P filing fee table but not more than:	enter on line 5:
\$ 0	\$ 100,000	\$ 25
100,000	250,000	50
250,000	500,000	175
500,000	1,000,000	500
1,000,000	5,000,000	1,500
5,000,000	25,000,000	3,000
25,000,000		4,500

# Part 3 — LLCs that are disregarded entities for federal income tax purposes

**Line 6** — Enter the employer identification number (EIN) or social security number (SSN) of the entity or individual who will be reporting the income or loss.

**Paid preparer must sign the return** — Anyone you pay to prepare the return must sign it and fill in the other blanks in the paid preparer's area of the return. If anyone prepares the return and does not charge you, the paid preparer's area should not be filled in.

**Note to paid preparers** — When signing a taxpayer's New York State income tax return, you must enter the same identification number that you used on the taxpayer's federal return, either your social security number or your federal preparer tax identification number (PTIN). If you did not prepare a federal income tax return for the taxpayer, you must use your PTIN if you have one; otherwise, use your social security number. Paid preparers may be subject to a penalty for failure to conform to certain requirements. For more information see the instructions for Form IT-204.

#### **Need help?** Internet access: www.nystax.gov Access our Answer Center for answers to frequently asked questions; check your refund status; check your estimated tax account; download forms, publications; get tax updates and other information. Fax-on-demand forms: Forms are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. 1 800 748-3676 Telephone assistance is available from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. (eastern time), Monday through Friday. Refund status: 1 800 443-3200 (Automated service for refund status is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.) To order forms and publications: 1 800 462-8100 Personal Income Tax Information Center: 1 800 225-5829 From areas outside the U.S. and outside Canada: (518) 485-6800

#### **Privacy notification**

The Commissioner of Taxation and Finance may collect and maintain personal information pursuant to the New York State Tax Law, including but not limited to, sections 5-a, 171, 171-a, 287, 308, 429, 475, 505, 697, 1096, 1142, and 1415 of that Law; and may require disclosure of social security numbers pursuant to 42 USC 405(c)(2)(C)(i).

This information will be used to determine and administer tax liabilities and, when authorized by law, for certain tax offset and exchange of tax information programs as well as for any other lawful purpose.

Information concerning quarterly wages paid to employees is provided to certain state agencies for purposes of fraud prevention, support enforcement, evaluation of the effectiveness of certain employment and training programs and other purposes authorized by law.

Failure to provide the required information may subject you to civil or criminal penalties, or both, under the Tax Law.

This information is maintained by the Director of Records Management and Data Entry, NYS Tax Department, W A Harriman Campus, Albany NY 12227; telephone 1 800 225-5829. From areas outside the United States and outside Canada, call (518) 485-6800.

Text Telephone (TTY) Hotline (for persons with hearing and speech disabilities using a TTY): If you have access to a TTY, contact us at 1 800 634-2110. If you do not own a TTY, check with independent living centers or community action programs to find out where machines are available for public use.



**Persons with disabilities:** In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, we will ensure that our lobbies, offices, meeting rooms, and other facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. If you have questions about special accommodations for persons with disabilities, please call 1 800 225-5829.