

Filing Canadian Taxes Returns from Ireland



- 1) What is the easiest way for people to file taxes for Canada if they have returned to Ireland?**

They can either prepare and submit/mail a paper tax return with receipts/T4's etc OR use a Canadian based tax preparer OR use a software package that is approved for filing Canadian tax returns online.

- 2) Can they give a friend's address in Canada if they are already at home?**

One is supposed to provide one's current address even if it's outside Canada. Also a non-resident doesn't qualify for certain credits like the GST credit and Ontario Trillium credit.

- 3) Can their tax refund be paid straight into their Irish bank account?**

No, direct deposit is only for Canadian financial institutions.

T1132 - Alternative Address Authorization

<http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pbg/tf/t1132/README.html>

Attach a completed copy of Form T1132 to the return if the taxpayer wants their Notice of Assessment and any refund sent to an address other than that on the T1 Jacket. The authorization is valid for the current tax year only. If the use of an alternative address is required for subsequent years, a new authorization must be signed and filed. The CRA will not use the alternative address to mail the GST/HST credit payments, Universal Child Care Benefit payments, Canada Child Tax Benefit payments, correspondence, or Notice of Reassessment.

This form cannot be used if:

- the taxpayer was bankrupt at any time in the taxation year;
- a discounter is submitting the tax return;
- the return is for a tax year other than the current one;
- the taxpayer is a non-resident filing an Old Age Security Return of Income; or
- the taxpayer is filing multiple returns representing more than one tax year.

How to Complete this Form

If the taxpayer wants to use an alternative address, enter the personal information along with the desired alternative address in the appropriate fields. The taxpayer has two options available on the form:

1. Check the first box on Form T1132 if both the Notice of Assessment and any refund resulting from that assessment are to be mailed to the alternative address; or
2. Check the second box to have only the Notice of Assessment mailed to the alternative address.

Note: The CRA will deposit the refund (if applicable) directly into the taxpayer's account according to the direct deposit information on file. If they

cannot deposit the refund into the taxpayer's account, they will mail a cheque to the alternative address on the completed Form T1132.

Filing

This form can be used only for a paper return and must be enclosed with the return to be processed.

Please see our Taxes in Canada guide for information on full tax returns.

