

It's Tax Season

Be on the lookout for tax-related scams



Here's what taxpayers should know:



Watch out for a threatening phone call, email or letter in the mail from a scammer posing as a government agency trying to get your money and/or personal information.



Local, state and federal government agencies will never ask consumers for personal information, or to send money or make payments via a wire transfer or pre-paid gift card.



Scammers might use official-looking materials that include the Internal Revenue Service or Colorado Department of Revenue logos, so if you receive urgent or threatening materials, contact the agencies directly via their official website. Never click on any links or download any attachments in any suspicious emails or texts.



Select your tax preparer carefully and hire someone who is experienced and thorough. Coloradans who meet certain income and other requirements are eligible to get their taxes done for free through Tax Help Colorado. Visit taxhelpco.org to learn more.



It's more convenient and secure to receive your tax refund via direct deposit into your bank account. Coloradans who don't currently have a bank account can visit coag.gov/bankon to learn more about how having a bank account can improve your overall financial health.

Coloradans who believe they have been the victim of a tax scam should file a complaint with the attorney general at stopfraudcolorado.gov

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