Scope of Service

When using the list, please note that column 3 (In Scope?) does not stand alone. Additional information contained in columns 4 and 5 (Scope Limitations and Certification Levels) may include topics or certification levels that affect whether volunteers may or may not prepare the return under the provisions of the Volunteer Protection Act.

If no certification level is listed, the topic is in scope for all certification levels.

Many forms and schedules that are out of scope are included as reference. If a form or schedule is not listed, it is out of scope because no training has been provided. In addition, if a volunteer has not been trained on an in-scope tax law topic, that topic is out of scope for that volunteer.

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F 1040	Digital asset (virtual currency) question	Y	 In scope if taxpayers can check the No box. Taxpayers check No if they: held no virtual currency for the tax year or if the taxpayer's only transactions involving virtual currency during the tax year were purchases of virtual currency with real currency held virtual currency in a wallet or account transferred virtual currency from one wallet or account they own or control to another that they own or control received virtual currency as an inheritance or gift 	
F 1040	1	Yes	Wages, salaries, tips, etc.	Advanced certification required for unreported tip income.
F 1040	2a, b	Yes	Tax-exempt and taxable interest See F 1099-INT for limitations	
F 1040	3a, b	Yes	Qualified and Ordinary dividends See F 1099-DIV for limitations	
F 1040	4a, 4b, 5a, 5b	Yes	 IRAs, pensions and annuities See F 1099-R for limitations Not in scope for: Foreign retirement arrangements that may need special reporting on FINCEN 114 or F 8938 	Basic certification if taxable amount is determined. Advanced certification required if taxable amount is NOT determined.
F 1040	6a, b	Yes	Social Security benefits Not in scope for: Foreign social security from Canada or Germany that is treated as U.S. Social Security	
F 1040	7	Yes	Capital gain or loss. See F 8949 limitations	Advanced certification required.
F 1040	12	Yes	Standard deduction or Itemized deductions See F 1040 Schedule A limitations	Advanced certification required for itemized deductions.
F 1040	13	Yes	 Qualified Business Income deduction In scope for: The 20% deduction for sole proprietors and taxpayers with qualifying REIT dividends Form 8995 Not in scope for: Taxable income over \$175,050 (\$340,100 if MFJ) Publicly traded partnership income Form 8995-A 	
F 1040	16	Yes	Tax See Schedule 2 for limitations	
F 1040	19	Yes	Child tax credit or credit for other dependents	
F 1040	23	Yes	Other taxes See limitations on Schedule 2	

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SF		No	Profit or Loss From Farming	
SH		No	Household Employment Taxes	
S J		No	Income Averaging for Farmers and Fishermen	
S K-1		Yes	 Beneficiary, Partner or Shareholder's Share of Income, Deductions, Credits, etc. In scope for: Schedules K-1 (Forms 1065, 1120S, and 1041). Taxable and tax-exempt interest income Dividend and Qualified dividends income Net short- and long-term capital gains and losses Royalty income (Schedule E) with no associated expenses Not in scope for: Other income, deductions, and credits not listed above 	Advanced certification required
S LEP		Yes	Request for Alternative Language Products by Taxpayers With Limited English Proficiency (LEP)	
SQ		No	Quarterly Notice to Resident Interest Holder of REMIC Taxable Income of Net Loss Allocation	
SR		Yes	Credit for the Elderly or the Disabled	
S SE		Yes	Self-Employment Tax Not in scope for: Ministers or church workers if special rules apply	
S 8812		Yes	Additional Child Tax Credit	
FT (Timber)		No	Forest Activities Schedule	
F 56		No	Notice Concerning Fiduciary Relationship	
F 709		No	United States Gift (and Generation-Skipping Transfer) Tax Return	
F 843		No	Claim for refund and request for abatement	
F 982		Yes	 Reduction of Tax Attributes Due to Discharge of Indebtedness (and Section 1082 Basis Adjustment) – (if extended) In scope for: Line 1e, Line 2, Line 10b Not in scope for: Issues other than discharge of qualified principal residence indebtedness Principal residence used in business or as rental property Taxpayer filed bankruptcy or was insolvent immediately before the debt was canceled 	Advanced certification required
F 1040-C		No	U.S. Departing Alien Income Tax Return	
F 1045		No	Application for Tentative Refund	
F 1066 (Sch Q)		No	Quarterly Notice to Resident Interest Holder of REMIC Taxable Income or Net Loss Allocation	
F 1095-A		Yes	Health Insurance Marketplace Statement	Advanced certification required
F 1095-B		Yes	Health Coverage	
F 1095-C		Yes	Employer Provided Health Insurance Offer and Coverage	
F 1098		Yes	Mortgage Interest Statement	Advanced certification required
F 1098-C		No	Contributions of Motor Vehicles, Boats, Airplanes	

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F 1098-E		Yes	Student Loan Interest Statement	
F 1098-MA		No	Mortgage Assistance Payments	
F 1098-Q		Yes	Qualifying Longevity Annuity Contract Information (information only) No tax reporting required.	
F 1098-T		Yes	Tuition Statement Not in scope for: Boxes 4 and 6 (Adjustments) 	
F 1099-A		Yes	Acquisition or Abandonment of Secured Property See F 982 for limitations In scope for: • Qualified principal residence (if extended)	Advanced certification required
F 1099-B		Yes	Proceeds from Broker and Barter Exchange Transactions Not in scope for: FATCA filing requirement box checked Boxes 1f, 3 and 7-11, 13	Advanced certification required
F 1099-C		Yes	Cancellation of Debt See F 982 for limitations In scope only for: • Nonbusiness credit card debt cancellation including interest in box 3 when taxpayer is solvent before the cancellation • Discharge of qualified principal residence indebtedness • Discharge of certain student loan debt in 2021 through 2025 Not in scope for: • Cancellation of debt when Form 1099-C includes an amount for interest (exception listed above)	Advanced certification required
F 1099-CAP		Yes	Changes in Corporate Control and Capital Structure (information only) No tax reporting required. 	
F 1099-DIV		Yes	 Dividends and Distributions Not in scope for: Taxpayer is a nominee Boxes labeled Unrecap Sec. 1250 gain, Section 1202 gain, Collectibles (28%) gain , Section 897 ordinary dividends, Section 897 capital gain, Cash liquidation distributions, and Noncash liquidation distributions FATCA filing requirement box checked 	
F 1099-G		Yes	Certain Government Payments In scope for: • Unemployment compensation • Refunds, credits, or offsets of state or local income tax • Box 5, RTAA payments • Box 6, Taxable grants Not in scope for: • Box 3 is other than the current tax year • Boxes 7-9	
F 1099-H		No	Health Coverage Tax Credit	

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Number	Number	Y or N	·	
F 1099-INT		Yes	Interest Income See F 8615 for limitations (children with unearned income) Not in scope for: • Taxpayer is a nominee • An adjustment is needed to any amount reported • Amounts reported in the box labeled Specified private activity bond interest if AMT applies • Amounts reported in the box labeled Bond premium that exceed amounts reported in the box labeled Interest • FATCA filing requirement box checked • Accrued bond interest other than for savings bonds • Bonds bought or sold between interest payment dates other than for savings bonds • Bond premium on Treasury obligations that exceed Interest on U.S. Savings Bonds and Treasury obligations • Bond premium on tax-exempt bond that exceed Tax-exempt interest	
F 1099-K		Yes	 Payment Card and Third Party Network Transactions In scope for: Taxable income received for self-employment income (such as shared-economy driving). Form 1099-K received for rental income is in scope for Military certification only. Not in scope for: Forms 1099-K received for any other type of taxable income 	Advanced certification required; Military certifica- tion if received for rental income
F 1099-LTC		Yes	Long-Term Care and Accelerated Death Benefits	Advanced certification required
F 1099- MISC		Yes	Miscellaneous Information Not in scope for: • Box 5 Fishing boat proceeds • Boxes 7-15 • FATCA filing requirement box checked	Military certification required for Box 1 Basic certification required for Box 3 Advanced certification required for all other entries
F 1099-NEC		Yes	Nonemployee compensation Not in scope for: Athletes receiving NIL income 	Advanced Certification required
F 1099-OID		Yes	Original Issue Discount Not in scope for: • FATCA filing requirement box checked • Box 6 Acquisition premium • Adjustment needed, or no form received	
F 1099- PATR		Yes	Taxable Distributions Received From Cooperatives In scope for: • Box 1 for personal use only	Advanced certification required
F 1099-Q		Yes	 Payment From Qualified Education Programs (under section 529 and 530) Not in scope for: Distributions from Educational Savings Accounts if: Funds were not used for qualified education expenses or Distribution was more than the amount of the qualified expenses 	
F 1099-QA		Yes	Distribution from ABLE Account Not in scope for: Distribution from ABLE Account that was more than the amount of the qualified expenses 	

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F 1099-R F CSA 1099-R		Yes	Distributions from Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRAs, Insurance Contracts, etc. Not in scope for: IRA rollovers that do not meet the tax-free requirements	Basic certification if taxable amount is determined
			 Taxpayers who used the General Rule to figure the taxable portion of pensions and/or annuities for past years Box 7 codes 2 and 7, if the IRA/SEP/SIMPLE box is checked and there were nondeductible contributions Box 7 codes 5, 6, 8, 9, A, E, J, K, N, P, R, T, U, W 	Advanced certification required if taxable amount is NOT determined
F RRB-1099		Yes	Payments by the Railroad Retirement Board Annuities or Pensions by the Railroad Retirement Board	Advanced certification required
F 1099-S		Yes	Proceeds from Real Estate Transactions In scope for: • Personal residence Not in scope for: • Home was used for rental purposes • Sales of business property • Installment sales income • Like-kind exchanges	Advanced certification required
F 1099-SA		Yes	Distributions From an HSA, Archer MSA or Medicare Advantage MSA See F 8889 for limitations Not in scope for: Archer MSA, Medicare Advantage MSA	Advanced certification required
F SSA-1099		Yes	Social Security Benefit Statement	
F 1116		Yes	 Foreign Tax Credit (Individual, Estate or Trust) In scope for: Taxpayers who have foreign tax paid reported on F 1099-INT, F 1099-DIV, or S K-1 and can elect to report foreign tax without filing Form 1116 (Advanced certification) Not in scope for: Taxpayers who may deduct a foreign income tax that is not allowed as a credit in certain circumstances Certain expenses deducted to reduce foreign gross income Taxpayers who must report a carryback or carryover on Form 1116 	International certification required for F 1116
			 Taxpayers who must file a separate Form 1116 required for foreign income from a sanctioned country, using the "Section 901(j) income" category 	
F 1127		No	Extension of Time for Payment of Tax Due to Undue Hardship	
F 1310		Yes	Statement of Person Claiming Refund Due a Deceased Taxpayer	
F 2106		Yes	 Employee Business Expenses In scope for: Reservist expenses (adjustment to gross income) U.S. Armed Forces members who were provided a commuter highway vehicle (such as a van) by their employer 	Military certification required
F 2120		Yes	Multiple Support Declaration	
F 2210		No	Underpayment of Estimated Tax by Individuals, Estates and Trusts	
F 2439		No	Notice to Shareholder of Undistributed Long-Term Capital Gains	
F 2441		Yes	 Child and Dependent Care Expenses Out of scope for: Taxpayers who need assistance in determining if employment taxes are owed for household employees 	
F 2555		Yes	Foreign Earned Income	International certification required

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F 2848		Yes	Power of Attorney and Declaration of Representative (Very limited uses in form instructions)	
F 3468		No	Investment Credit	
F 3520		No	Foreign Trusts/Foreign Gifts	
F 3800		No	General Business Credit	
F 4136		No	Credit for Federal Tax Paid on Fuels	
F 4137		Yes	Social Security and Medicare Taxes on Unreported Tip Income	Advanced certification required
F 4562		No	Depreciation and Amortization (including information on listed property)	
F 4684		No	Casualties and Thefts	
F 4797		No	Sales of Business Property	
F 4835		No	Farm Rental Income and Expenses	
F 4852		Yes	Substitute for F W-2 or F 1099-R	
F 4868		Yes	Application for Automatic Extension of Time to File U.S. Individual Income Tax Return	
F 4952		No	Investment Interest Expense Deduction	
F 4972		No	Tax on Lump-Sum Distributions	
F 5329		Yes	 Additional Tax on Qualified Plans (including IRAs) and Other Tax-Favored Accounts In scope for: Part I Not in scope for: IRA minimum distributions not withdrawn when required Excess contributions to an IRA that are not withdrawn by the due date of the return including extensions Parts II through IX 	
F 5405		Yes	 Repayment of the First-Time Homebuyer Credit Not in scope for: Taxpayers who claimed credit and their home is destroyed, condemned or disposed of under threat of condemnation Taxpayers who claimed the first-time homebuyer credit may be required to repay the credit in the year of sale. The repayment is limited to the amount of gain on the sale. This situation is out of scope for VITA/TCE. 	Advanced certification required
F 5498		Yes	IRA Contribution Information Not in scope for: SEP or SIMPLE contributions Nondeductible contributions	Advanced certification required
F 5498-ESA		Yes	Coverdell ESA Contribution Information (Information only) No tax reporting required	
F 5498-QA		Yes	ABLE Account Contribution Information (Information only) No tax reporting required	
F 5498-SA		Yes	HSA, Archer MSA or Medicare Advantage MSA Information Not in scope for: • Archer MSA • Medicare Advantage MSA	Advanced certification required
F 5695		Yes	Residential Energy Credit Not in scope for: Residential Energy Efficient Property Credit (Part I)	Advanced certification required

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S(chedule)	or Box	Scope?	Scope Limitations	Certification Levels
Number	Number	Y or N	·	
F 6251		Yes	Alternative Minimum Tax In scope for: Interest from private activity bond on Line 2g Out of scope if AMT applies	
F 6252		No	Installment Sales Income	
F 6781		No	Gains and Losses From Section 1256 Contracts and Straddles	
F 7202		Yes	Credits for Sick Leave and Family Leave for Certain Self-Employed Individuals	Advanced certification required
F 3903		Yes	Moving Expenses In scope for: • Active duty military taxpayer only	Military certification required
F 8275		No	Disclosure Statement	
F 8275 R		No	Regulation Disclosure Statement	
F 8283		Yes	 Noncash Charitable Contributions In scope for: Noncash contributions of \$500 or less are reported on Schedule A and are in scope (Advanced certificiation required) Noncash charitable contributions over \$500 are in scope for Military certification only 	Advanced certification required Military certification if >\$500
F 8332		Yes	Release/Revocation of Release of Claim to Exemption for Child by Custodial Parent	
F 8379		Yes	Injured Spouse Allocation See F 8958 limitations (community property states)	
F 8396		No	Mortgage Interest Credit	
F 8453		Yes	U.S. Individual Income Tax Transmittal for an IRS e-file Return	
F 8582		No	Passive Activity Loss Limitations	
F 8606		No	Nondeductible IRAs	
F 8615		Yes	 Tax for Certain Children Who Have Unearned Income (also known as Kiddie Tax) In scope for: Native Americans receiving per capita payments Alaska residents receiving permanent fund dividends 	Advanced certification required
F 8621		No	Information Return by A Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund	
F 8801		No	Credit for Prior Year Minimum Tax	
F 8805		No	Foreign Partner's Information Statement of Section 1446 Withholding Tax	
S 8812		Yes	Additional Child Tax Credit	
F 8814		Yes	Parent's Election to Report Child's Interest and Dividends In scope for: • Alaska residents receiving permanent fund dividends	Advanced certification required
F 8815		No	Exclusion of Interest From Series EE and I U.S. Savings Bonds Issued after 1989	
F 8821		No	Tax Information Authorization	
F 8829		No	Expenses for Business Use of Your Home	
F 8833		No	Treaty-Based Return Positive Disclosure Under Section 6114 or 7701 (b)	
F 8834		No	Plug-In Electric Vehicle Credit	
F 8839		No	Qualified Adoption Expenses	
F 8848		No	Consent to Extend the Time to Access the Branch Profits Tax Under Regulations Section 1.884-2 (a) and (c)	

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F 8853		Yes	Archer MSAs and Long-Term Care Insurance Contracts In scope for: • Section C	
F 8857		No	Request for Innocent Spouse Relief	
F 8862		Yes	Information to Claim Earned Income Credit After Disallowance	
F 8863		Yes	Education Credits (American Opportunity and Lifetime Learning Credits)	
F 8865		No	Return of U.S. Persons With Respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships	
F 8880		Yes	Credit for Qualified Retirement Savings Contributions	
F 8885		No	Health Coverage Tax Credit	
F 8886		No	Reportable Transaction Disclosure Statement	
F 8888		Yes	Allocation of Refund (Including Savings Bond Purchases)	
F 8889		Yes	 Health Savings Accounts (HSAs) Not in scope for: Excess contributions to an HSA that are not withdrawn in a timely fashion Qualified HSA funding distributions from an IRA Death of an HSA holder (when spouse is not the designated beneficiary) Additional Tax for Failure to Maintain HDHP Coverage Deemed distributions from an HSA due to prohibited transactions, such as using an HSA as a security for a loan Archer Medical Saving Accounts (MSA) Medicare Advantage MSA Health Reimbursement Arrangement Part III, lines 18-21 	Advanced certification required
F 8903		No	Domestic Production Activities Deduction	
F 8908		No	Energy Efficient Home Credit	
F 8910		No	Alternate Motor Vehicle Credit	
F 8911		No	Alternative Fuel Vehicle Refueling Property Credit	
F 8915-B		No	Qualified 2017 Disaster Retirement Plan Distributions and Repayments	
F 8915-C		No	Qualified 2018 Disaster Retirement Plan Distributions and Repayments	
F 8915-D		No	Qualified 2019 Disaster Retirement Plan Distributions and Repayments	

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F 8915-F		Yes	Qualified Disaster Retirement Plan Distributions and Repayments In scope for: • 2020 Coronavirus distributions and repayments Not in scope for: • Any other disaster-related distributions	Advanced certification required
F 8919		No	Uncollected Social Security and Medicare Tax on Wages	
F 8936		No	Qualified Plug-in Electric Drive Motor Vehicle Credit	
F 8938		No	Statement of Specified Foreign Assets	
F 8948		No	Preparer Explanation for Not Filing Electronically Not applicable to volunteers	
F 8949		Yes	 Sales and other Dispositions of Capital Assets In scope for: Sale of stocks, mutual fund shares and personal residences Bond sales reported on a brokerage statement with capital gain or loss only (no ordinary income/loss) Capital gains and losses reported on K-1 Capital loss carryovers Inherited property of types listed above in this section and, if inherited in 2010, taxpayer provides the basis Wash sales if reported on brokerage or mutual fund statement Not in scope for: Adjustment codes N, Q, X, R, S or C Reduced exclusion on sale of home Residence inherited or received as gift and not used as personal residence. If used as personal residence, taxpayer must provide basis. Taxpayers who have sold any assets other than stock, mutual funds, or a personal residence? Taxpayers who trade in options, futures, or other commodities, whether or not they disposed of any during the year Determination of basis issues: Basis of inherited property determined by a method other than the FMV of the property on the date of the decedent's death, unless the taxpayer provides the basis and holding period Basis of inherited property determined by a method other than the FMV of the property on the date of the decedent's death, unless the taxpayer provides the basis and holding period Like-kind exchanges and worthless securities Form 1099-B, boxes with entries for any of the following: Bartering; Profit or (loss) realized on closed contracts; Unrealized profit (loss) on open contracts – prior year; Unrealized profit or (loss) on open contracts – current year; or Aggregate profit (loss) on open contracts – prior year; Unrealized profit or (loss) on open contracts – prior year; Unrealized profit or (loss) on open contracts – such as log if nequirement Reduced exclusion on the sale of a home Married homeowners who do not meet all requirement	Advanced certification required

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F 8958		Yes	 Allocation of Tax Amounts Between Certain Individuals in Community Property States In scope for: Taxpayers who are not certain they are in a common law marriage (rules are complex and differ from state to state) Applicable returns as limited by Site or Program Coordinator Depending on your tax assistance program, community property tax laws for married taxpayers who file a separate return from their spouse 	
F 8959		No	Additional Medicare Tax	
F 8960		No	Net Investment Income Tax – Individuals, Estates and Trusts	
F 8962		Yes	 Premium Tax Credit (PTC) Not in scope for: Self-employed health coverage deductions for taxpayers who are also allowed a PTC Form 8962 Part IV, Allocation of Policy Amounts, and Part V, Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage Individuals eligible for the health coverage tax credit If there is a code FF on Form W-2, box 12 and the employee has a Marketplace policy and is otherwise eligible for PTC 	Advanced certification required
F 8995		Yes	Qualified Business Income Deduction Simplified Computation Not in scope for: • Certain rental real estate enterprises treated as a single trade or business	Advanced certification required
F 8995-A		No	Qualified Business Income Deduction	
F 9000		Yes	Request for Alternative Format or Language	
F 9452		No	Filing Assistance Program	
F 9465		Yes	Installment Agreement Request (See fee schedule)	
F 13844		No	Application For Reduced User Fee For Installment Agreement	
F 14039		Yes	Identity Theft Affidavit	
F SS-8		No	Determination of Worker Status for Purposes of Federal Employment Taxes and Income Tax Withholding	
FinCEN F 114		No	Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts	



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