



CT-5

New York State Department of Taxation and Finance

Request for Six-Month Extension to File

(For franchise/business taxes, MTA surcharge, or both)

Tax Law — Articles 9-A, 13, 32, and 33

2002 calendar-yr. filers, check box: []
Other filers enter tax period:

beginning []
ending []

Employer identification number, File number, Legal name of corporation, Trade name/DBA, Mailing name and address, State or country of incorporation, Date received, Audit use, Business telephone number

Request for extension of time to file the following forms: Check box(es) for one article only. Submit only one CT-5 form and check both boxes in the appropriate article if you are requesting an extension for both the franchise tax and MTA surcharge returns.

Article 9-A, Article 13, Article 32, Article 33. Includes checkboxes for CT-3, CT-3M/4M, CT-4, CT-13, CT-32, CT-32-M, CT-33, CT-33-M, CT-33-C.

A. Payment - pay amount shown on line 11. Make check payable to: New York State Corporation Tax. Attach your payment here.

Table for Computation of estimated franchise tax with lines 1-5.

Table for Computation of estimated MTA surcharge with lines 6-11.

Table for Computation of prepayments with columns A (Franchise tax) and B (MTA surcharge), and lines 12-16.

Certification section with signature of elected officer, official title, date, firm's name, address, ID number, and signature of individual preparing return.

Where to mail request

With payment: NYS CORPORATION TAX PROCESSING UNIT PO BOX 22094 ALBANY NY 12201-2094
Without payment: NYS CORPORATION TAX PROCESSING UNIT PO BOX 22102 ALBANY NY 12201-2102

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Instructions

New for 2002

The Tax Law was amended to provide a temporary increase in the mandatory first installment for corporations whose preceding year's tax exceeds \$100,000. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2003, but before January 1, 2006, those corporations, who formerly paid a mandatory first installment equal to 25% of the preceding year's tax, will be required to pay a first installment equal to 30% of the preceding year's tax. A similar change applies to the mandatory first installment for the MTA surcharge.

Requirements for a valid New York State extension

- You must file Form CT-5 and pay the properly estimated franchise tax and MTA surcharge on or before the original due date of the tax return for which this extension is requested.
- The properly estimated franchise tax and MTA surcharge must either:
 - Equal or exceed the franchise tax and MTA surcharge shown on your tax return for the preceding tax year (if it was a tax year of 12 months); or
 - Equal or exceed 90% of the franchise tax and MTA surcharge as finally determined for the tax year for which this extension is requested.

The *preceding tax year* is the tax year occurring immediately before the tax year for which this extension is requested.

The *franchise tax* is the amount of tax computed after the deduction of any tax credits and before the addition of the MTA surcharge.

The franchise tax and MTA surcharge for the preceding tax year must be adjusted as necessary to correct errors in computation or in the application of tax rate or tax base.

Who may file Form CT-5

General business corporations (Article 9-A), banking corporations (Article 32), insurance corporations (Article 33), and businesses taxed under Article 13 may file Form CT-5 to request a six-month extension of time to file the appropriate tax return and MTA surcharge return. **Do not use separate forms** if you are requesting an extension to file **both** the franchise tax and MTA surcharge returns. Use lines 1 through 5 to compute the estimated franchise tax. Use lines 6 through 10 to compute the estimated MTA surcharge. Submit only one payment of the combined amount for both franchise tax and MTA surcharge.

Corporations filing a combined form (CT-3-A, CT-3-S-A, CT-32-A, or CT-33-A) must use Form CT-5.3 to request a six-month extension of time to file.

New York S corporations not included in a combined return must use Form CT-5.4 to request a six-month extension to file Form CT-3-S or CT-4-S.

Article 9 taxpayers, except providers of telecommunications services, must use Form CT-5.9 to request a three-month extension to file a franchise tax return and MTA surcharge return. Providers of telecommunication services must use Form CT-5.9-E, *Request for Three-Month Extension to File Form CT-186-E or Form CT-186-EZ (short form)*, to request an extension to file Form CT-186-E, *Telecommunications Tax Return and Utility Services Tax Return*, or Form CT-186-EZ (short form).

Extensions of time for filing returns

A six-month extension of time for filing a franchise tax return or MTA surcharge return will be granted if Form CT-5 is properly filed and if properly estimated tax is paid on or before the original due date of the return.

No late filing or late payment penalties will be imposed if you file your return by the extended due date and pay the balance of the tax due with your return.

Interest applies to any tax not paid by the original due date of the return.

If applicable, you must also pay the mandatory first installment of estimated tax for the next tax year shown on lines 2 and 7 on or before the original due date of the tax return.

When and where to file

File Form CT-5 on or before the due date of your tax return.

Type of corporation	Due date of extension
Businesses filing Form CT-13	4½ months following the end of the tax period
Employee trust corporations filing Form CT-13	3½ months following the end of the tax period
Taxable DISCs	8½ months following the end of the tax period
All others	2½ months following the end of the tax period

If you cannot file within the six-month extended period, you may request two additional three-month extensions by filing Form CT-5.1 for each extension.

Mailing instructions: Mail Form CT-5 with payment to **NYS Corporation Tax, Processing Unit, PO Box 22094, Albany NY 12201-2094**. Otherwise, mail Form CT-5 to **NYS Corporation Tax, Processing Unit, PO Box 22102, Albany NY 12201-2102**. If you are using a private delivery service, please see Publication 55 or the instructions for the corporation franchise tax return for the alternative address and designated delivery services.

Line instructions

Reporting period — If you are a calendar-year filer, check the box in the upper right corner on the front of the form. If you are a fiscal-year filer, complete the beginning and ending tax period boxes in the upper right corner on the front of the form.

Line A — Enter your payment in U.S. funds. We will accept a foreign check or foreign money order only if payable through a United States bank or if marked **Payable in U.S. Funds**.

Lines 1 and 6 — Use the worksheet below to properly estimate the franchise tax and the MTA surcharge.

Line 2 — If the franchise tax on line 1 exceeds \$1,000, but does not exceed \$100,000, multiply the amount on line 1 by 25% (.25) and enter the result. If the franchise tax on line 1 exceeds \$100,000, multiply the amount on line 1 by 30% (.30) and enter the result.

Life insurance corporations — The mandatory first installment of estimated tax for life insurance corporations is 40% of the preceding year's tax.

If you are not required to pay the first installment of estimated tax for the next tax year, enter "0" on line 2.

Line 7 - If the franchise tax on line 1 exceeds \$1,000, but does not exceed \$100,000, multiply the amount on line 6 by 25% (.25) and enter the result. If the franchise tax on line 1 exceeds \$100,000, multiply the amount on line 6 by 30% (.30) and enter the result.

Worksheet for lines 1 and 6

Complete Parts I and II. However, if the corporation was not subject to franchise tax for the preceding tax year, or if the preceding tax year was less than 12 months, skip Part I and complete only Part II. See the instructions below.

Part I — Preceding year (if it was a tax year of 12 months)

- A. Franchise tax from preceding tax year A _____
 B. MTA surcharge from preceding tax year B _____

Part II — Current year

- C. Franchise tax estimated to be due for the current tax year C _____
 D. MTA surcharge estimated to be due for the current tax year D _____

Enter on lines 1 and 6 either:

- The tax from the preceding year (Part I, lines A and B); or
- The tax from the current year (Part II, lines C and D).

Exception: The combination of lines A and D may be used on lines 1 and 6 when the corporation filed a 12-month franchise tax return for the preceding tax year, but became subject to the MTA surcharge for the tax year for which this extension is requested.

Worksheet instructions

Part I

Line A — Enter the amount of franchise tax (computed after the deduction of any credits and before the addition of the MTA surcharge) shown on the franchise tax return for the preceding tax year, if it was a tax year of 12 months.

Line B — Enter the amount of MTA surcharge shown on the MTA surcharge tax return for the preceding tax year, if it was a tax year of 12 months. Enter "0" if you are not subject to the MTA surcharge for the tax year for which this extension is requested.

Part II

Line C — Determine the franchise tax (computed after the deduction of any tax credits and before the addition of the MTA surcharge) for the tax year for which this extension is requested. Multiply the franchise tax by an amount not less than 90% and enter on line C (see *Requirements for a valid New York State extension* above).

Line D — Determine the MTA surcharge for the tax year for which this extension is requested. Multiply the MTA surcharge by an amount not less than 90% and enter on line D (see *Requirements for a valid New York State extension* above). Enter "0" if not subject to the MTA surcharge for the tax year for which this extension is requested.

CT-3M/4M filers only: If the fixed dollar minimum tax applies for the current year and you were not subject to the MTA surcharge for the preceding year, compute the MTA surcharge as follows:

- Multiply the fixed dollar minimum by the MTA allocation percentage of 100%; and
- Multiply the result by the MTA surcharge rate of 17% (.17).

See the applicable MTA surcharge return and instructions for information on the computation of the MTA surcharge. It may be necessary to complete the applicable MTA surcharge return to compute the estimated MTA surcharge for the tax year for which this extension is requested.