

GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING AND REMITTING UNCLAIMED PROPERTY

HOLDER REPORT DUE NOV 1





IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT



HRS 523A: A holder of abandoned property shall make a report and pay, deliver or cause to be paid or delivered to the administrator the property described in the report as unclaimed. * Chapter 523A of HRS addresses the unclaimed property law. Holders are encouraged to review the statutes and its affects to the holder reporting process.*

<u>Reference Unclaimed Property Statutes (HRS)</u>
 <u>http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/hrscurrent/Vol12_Ch0501-0588/HRS0523A/HRS_0523A-.htm</u>

Unclaimed Property Law



Holders refer to this section for delivery and payment of a holder report. 523A-9 Payment or delivery of abandoned property

(a) ... upon filing the report required by section 523A-8, the holder of property presumed abandoned shall pay, deliver, or cause to be paid or delivered to the administrator the property described in the report as unclaimed: ...

* Unclaimed property is any financial asset, usually intangible, being held for a person or entity that cannot be located. The unclaimed property law requires holders to report and escheat annually. The following information is provided to assist holders with reporting and remitting unclaimed property.*

The process of reporting and remitting unclaimed property to the State of Hawaii, Unclaimed Property Program is a cycle. A cycle begins May 1, six months prior to the November 1st reporting deadline. Holders send written notice to the apparent owner of unclaimed property informing the owner of the intent to escheat the abandoned property to the State. Holders submit a report and remittance by the November 1st deadline. A notice is published by March 1st of the following year referencing the updated Annual Notice on the website. May 1st begins the next cycle.



	Reporting Guidelines
STEP 1	 Determine if you are a "holder" of unclaimed property Holders are businesses, organizations, and any other entities in possession of unclaimed property. The most common types of unclaimed property are: savings and checking accounts, checks, warrants, wages, commissions, insurance proceeds, stocks, securities, refunds, or safe deposit box contents.
STEP 2	 Determine if the property has been inactive or dormant long enough to be reported as unclaimed property The type of property reported will determine how long the property must remain abandoned to be considered unclaimed property. Dormancy periods range from one year to fifteen years.
STEP 3	 Attempt to locate the owners Hawaii law requires holders to make a diligent effort to locate owners of property. Efforts must include a written notice, informing the owner that the holder will escheat the property to the State of Hawaii.
STEP 4	 File a Report by November 1 Holders must report property determined to be unclaimed for owners with a last known address in Hawaii. If the owner's address is unknown, the property is reported to the state where the holder is incorporated. Owner information includes: name, last known address, social security number or taxpayer identification number.
STEP 5	 Remit/Transfer the reported amount to the Director of Finance, State of Hawaii by November 1 * Remittance payable to: Director of Finance, State of Hawaii. * Confirmation document of shares to: Director of Finance, State of Hawaii.

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 Reference: National Association of Unclaimed Property Administrators NAUPA Standard Electronic File Format: https://www.unclaimed.org/uploads/resources/52/naupa-format-revised-9-26-13-new-relationship-ownership-codes-finalcorrect1.pdf

Basic Holder Reporting Requirements

- Holder Due Diligence
- Report in NAUPA Standard Electronic File Format
- Electronic file CD
- Send Reports with Remittance to: <u>Mailing Address</u> State of Hawaii Unclaimed Property Program P.O. Box 150 Honolulu, HI 96810

Office Location State of Hawaii Unclaimed Property Program No. 1 Capitol District Building 250 S. Hotel Street, Room 304 Honolulu, HI 96813

Reporting Considerations

- ► A report includes properties abandoned July 1 of the previous year to June 30 of the report year.
- ► Life insurance companies report abandoned property for the previous calendar year.
- ▶ Interest-bearing checking or savings accounts must be clearly identifed in a holder report.
- ► Electronic files are required for holder reports. Reports must include holder contact information (address and phone number) and complete owner information.
- ► Upon approval, the report deadline may be extended. Holders must request for an extension on business letterhead addressed to: <u>Director of Finance</u>, **prior to the November 1 deadline**. Written acknowledgement approving the request will extend the report deadline to January 1.
- ► Holders of safekeeping items, contact our office for details.
- ▶ First time holders, contact our office for details.



Holder Report Submission Requirements

- Notarized <u>Holder Report Cover Sheet-Affidavit of Due Diligence</u> stating that written notice was sent to the apparent owners of abandoned property
- Summary listing of property
- Electronic file: NAUPA standard file format
 We continue to receive blank CDs. Check your CD for evidence of a file.
- Remittance payable to: Director of Finance, State of Hawaii
 Reports will not be accepted if the check amount differs from the report total.

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- ► Holders of shares of stock must include a confirmation statement evidencing the transfer of stock to the Director of Finance, State of Hawaii.
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> State Holidays: CLOSED