

# California State Controller Betty T. Yee Unclaimed Property Division

## Holder Remit Report: Common Errors

o best assist holders in accurately completing their Holder Remit Report, this guide focuses on several common errors and ways to avoid them.

#### 1. Not Submitting a Holder Remit Report

Failure to submit your Holder Remit Report may result in an interest assessment per *California Code of Civil Procedure* (<u>CCP</u>) section 1577. Note: If you submitted multiple Holder Notice Reports, you must submit an equal number of Holder Remit Reports; it is not acceptable to combine multiple Holder Remit Reports into one.

#### 2. Incomplete or Incorrect Universal Holder Face Sheet (UFS-1)

The UFS-1 is required with every report you submit (Holder Notice, Holder Remit, and/or Supplemental). If the UFS-1 is not completed correctly, it may cause the report to be late and result in an interest assessment per <u>CCP section 1577</u>. Reference four common errors below and review the <u>form instructions</u> for completion details.

	State of California—Controller's Office UNIVERSAL HOLDER FACE SHEET (must be completed and attached with all reports, thillre to do to may result in iterest anewarment UFS-1(Rev. 05/12) Report 10/F (Remit Report Only) Resulting   Mattics Office of State Controller Betty T. Yee, Unclaimed Property Division, P.O. Box 942850, Sacramento, CA 94250 Report 10/F (Remit Report Only) Resulting   Due Before November 1 or Due Before November 1 or Due Deter November 1 or Deter November 1 or FEIN November 1 or Report As of Date Automate November 1 or Deter November 1 or Periode Number (Remit Report Only)   Section B—Holder Contact Information Holder Name State Country   State Zip Code Country Country   Contact Name (For report comparison) Inter Prione Number Exter Von   E-mail Address Prione Number Exter Von	Include your six-digit report ID number, found on the Holder Remit Report Reminder Letter (14F), in this box.
	Section C—Property Owner Contact Information   Holder Name     Street Address   Zip Code   County     P.O. Box Number   City   State   Zip Code   County     Contact Name   Tble   Phone Number   Esten Ion     E-mail Address   Street Address   Street Address   Esten Ion	The "Report As of Date" must be the same date used previously on the Holder Notice Report. Remember, your "Report
Amounts entered in Section F must equal the total dollar amount and total share amount of the property owner list.	P.O. Box Number Coty State Zop Code County   Contact Name (For report compation) Ttile Phone Number Extendion   E-mail Address Section E—Holder CEO/CFO Name Tale   Address Tale Address   P.O. Box Number Cov State Zop Code   Section F—Holder Report Totals Total Reported Remitted Dollars Total Reported Remitted Shares Includes shale Doposit Box   May Remittance of \$20,000,000 cm cm conversition paid by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), pursuant to CCP Section 1532 Section G - Holder Business Information   Organization Type: Incorporation Date: / NAI/CS Code: Charter Date: /   Incorporation State: Incorporation Date: / NAI/CS Code: Charter Date: /   Section H—Demutualization Proceeds This report includes proceeds from the demutualization of an insurance company Date of Demutualization Proceeds Charter Date: /   Date of Demutualization	As of Date" is the date of your fiscal year end (typically June 30 or December 31). Life insurance companies must use December 31 for their "Report As of Date." The "Report As of Date" is
An original, wet signature of an authorized person is required.	Street Address   P.O. Box Number City State Zip Code Country   Section J - Verification IT made by an individual, shall be verified by the individual, iT made by a pathener, iT made by an unincorporated association or private corporation. By an offer, iT made by a public corporation. By its shell faced officer or other employee authented by the holder (COP Section 1500(a)).   The undersigned,	not the date you sign the UFS-1.
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#### 3. Changing Property Owner Information

The Holder Remit Report must contain the same owner information as the Holder Notice Report for all properties that remain unclaimed. Only make necessary changes to the data if it will help identify owners. For example, you may add a Social Security number or an address. Do not change the format of the property owner's name by adding a period, space, or comma. This will help avoid system errors when the reports are uploaded.

#### 4. Adding New Names and/or Properties not Previously Reported on the Holder Notice Report

Do not include new property owner names and/or properties when preparing the Holder Remit Report. If new names and/or properties are found, you must prepare a Supplemental Notice Report. Refer to page 23 of the <u>Unclaimed Property Holder Handbook</u> for supplemental reporting. If you were able to reunite the property with its rightful owner, or reinstate the owner's account, you may omit it from the Holder Remit Report entirely. Alternatively, you may keep the property on the Holder Remit Report, but you must use the appropriate pay or deletion code and show the property remitted amount as zero.

#### 5. Incorrectly Remitting Funds to the State Controller's Office

Any payment of \$20,000 or more must be made by electronic fund transfer (EFT) (<u>CCP section 1532</u>). Failure to comply with <u>CCP section 1532</u> will subject the payment to a civil penalty of two percent of the amount due. If you have less than \$20,000 to remit, you may choose to remit either by a check payable to the "California State Controller" or by EFT.

The Controller encourages all payers to sign up for EFT, preferably by ACH Debit or ACH Credit, regardless of the payment amount. To establish an EFT account with the Controller's Office, complete the <u>Authorization Agreement for</u> <u>Electronic Funds Transfer</u>. Contact the EFT Help Desk at <u>UPDSCOEFT@sco.ca.gov</u> or (916) 464-6220 for assistance.

When remitting mutual funds, direct registration is required for transfer of open-end mutual fund shares to the Controller's contracted broker. Refer to pages 41 - 42 of the <u>Unclaimed Property Holder Handbook</u> for registration instructions and other specifications. All securities must be remitted with the correct Committee on Uniform Securities Identification Procedures (CUSIP) number with your Holder Remit Report. Failure to follow these instructions will delay processing your Holder Remit Report.

#### 6. Not Including the Holder Remit Reminder Letter (14F) with Holder Remit Report Package

Holder Remit Reminder Letters (14F) are sent to holders once the Holder Notice Reports and Supplemental Notice Reports have been approved in the reporting system. The 14F must be signed with an original, "wet" signature by the person preparing the report and returned with the Holder Remit Report. To check the status of your 14F, contact the Reporting Unit at (916) 464-6284.

### Outreach & Compliance Unit

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### We're Here to Help!

The Outreach and Compliance Unit provides holder education and resources through one-on-one assistance, webinars, and speaking engagements. Visit the <u>events page</u> for up-to-date information or contact us for participation in your next event.

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