

What's new for 2015?

The income levels and most of the non-refundable tax credits used to calculate your Yukon income tax have changed.

Line 5825 is now used for the family caregiver amount for children under 18 years of age.

The children's fitness amount is now a refundable tax credit and can be claimed on Form YT479, *Yukon Credits*.

The personal income tax rates have changed and a fifth personal income tax rate has been added for taxable income over \$500,000.

The surtax of 5% has been eliminated and removed from the tax forms.

The low-income family tax credit has been eliminated and removed from the tax forms.

The political contribution tax credit has been moved from Form YT479 to Form YT428, *Yukon Tax*.

Form YT428 and Form YT479 reflect these changes.

General information

Yukon child benefit

The Yukon child benefit is a non-taxable amount paid monthly to help low- and modest-income families with the cost of raising children under 18 years of age. This amount is combined with the Canada child tax benefit into a single monthly payment.

For more information on the payment amounts, see Booklet T4114, *Canada Child Benefits*.

File your tax return – You (and your spouse or common-law partner) should file your 2015 tax return(s) as soon as possible. The information you give on your return(s) will determine how much you will get starting in July 2016.

This program is funded by Yukon with a contribution from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada on behalf of Indian children, as per the definition of "Indian" in the *Indian Act*. For more information, call **1-800-387-1193**.

Did you reside on Yukon First Nations settlement land?

If you resided on settlement land of a self-governing Yukon First Nation at the end of the year, enter the First Nation name and identification number on page 1 of your return.

Complete Form YT432, *Yukon First Nations Tax*, to calculate the part of federal and territorial tax that is transferred to the self-governing Yukon First Nation government responsible for the settlement land where you resided. Attach a copy to your return.

For more information

If you have questions about **Yukon tax credits**, contact:

Department of Finance
Government of Yukon
2071 2nd Avenue, 3rd floor
Post Office Box 2703
Whitehorse YT Y1A 2C6

Call: **867-667-5343** or **1-800-661-0408**

If you have questions about **Yukon tax**, visit the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) website at www.cra.gc.ca or call the CRA at **1-800-959-8281**.

To get forms, go to www.cra.gc.ca/forms.

Completing your Yukon forms

All the information you need to calculate your Yukon tax and credits is included on the following pages. You will find two copies of Form YT428, *Yukon Tax*, Form YT479, *Yukon Credits*, and Form YT432, *Yukon First Nations Tax*, in this book. Complete the forms that apply to you, and attach a copy to your return.

The following information will help you complete Form YT428, Form YT479, and Form YT432.

The terms **spouse** and **common-law partner** are defined in the *General Income Tax and Benefit Guide*.

The term **end of the year** means December 31, 2015, the date you left Canada if you emigrated in 2015, or the date of death for a person who died in 2015.

Tax Tip

Many rules for calculating Yukon tax are based on the federal *Income Tax Act*. As a result, you should calculate your federal tax first.

Form YT428, Yukon Tax

Complete Form YT428 if you were a resident of Yukon at the end of the year.

If you had income from a business (including income you received as a limited or non-active partner), and the business has a permanent establishment outside of Yukon, complete Form T2203, *Provincial and Territorial Taxes for 2015 – Multiple Jurisdictions*, **instead of** completing Form YT428.

You also have to complete Form YT428 if you were a non-resident of Canada in 2015 and you earned income from employment in Yukon or received income from a business with a permanent establishment only in Yukon.

Step 1 – Yukon non-refundable tax credits

The eligibility criteria and rules for claiming the Yukon non-refundable tax credits are the same as for the federal non-refundable tax credits. In addition, **the value and calculation of many of the Yukon non-refundable tax credits are the same as the corresponding federal credits.**

Newcomers to Canada and emigrants

If you prorated any of the amounts you claimed on lines 300, 301, 303, 305, 367, 306, 315, 316, 318, 324, and 326 of your federal Schedule 1, you have to prorate the corresponding territorial amounts on lines 5804, 5808, 5812, 5816, 5825, 5820, 5840, 5844, 5848, 5860, and 5864.

Line 5804 – Basic personal amount ▼

Claim \$11,327.

Line 5808 – Age amount ▼

You can claim this amount if you met the rules for claiming the amount on line 301 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5808 the amount you claimed on line 301 of your federal Schedule 1.

Tax Tip

You may be able to transfer all or part of your age amount to your spouse or common law partner or to claim all or part of his or her age amount. For more information, read line 5864.

Line 5812 – Spouse or common-law partner amount ▼

You can claim this amount if the rules are met for claiming the amount on line 303 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5812 the amount you claimed on line 303 of your federal Schedule 1.

Note

Enter your marital status and the information about your spouse or common-law partner (including his or her net income, even if it is zero) in the “Identification” area on page 1 of your return.

Line 5816 – Amount for an eligible dependant

You can claim this amount if the rules are met for claiming the amount on line 305 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5816 the amount you claimed on line 305 of your federal Schedule 1.

Note

If you were a **single parent** on December 31, 2015, and you choose to include all universal child care benefit amounts you received in 2015 in the income of your dependant, include this amount in the calculation of his or her net income.

Line 5825 – Family caregiver amount for children under 18 years of age

You can claim this amount if the rules are met for claiming the amount on line 367 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5825 the amount you claimed on line 367 of your federal Schedule 1.

Note

Only residents of Yukon are eligible for this amount. If you are not a resident of Yukon, you cannot claim this non-refundable tax credit in calculating your Yukon tax even though you may have received income from a source inside Yukon in 2015.

Line 5820 – Amount for infirm dependants age 18 or older

You can claim this amount if the rules are met for claiming the amount on line 306 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5820 the amount you claimed on line 306 of your federal Schedule 1.

Line 5824 – CPP or QPP contributions through employment

Enter on this line the amount you claimed on line 308 of your federal Schedule 1.

Line 5828 – CPP or QPP contributions on self-employment and other earnings

Enter on this line the amount you claimed on line 310 of your federal Schedule 1.

Line 5832 – Employment insurance premiums through employment

Enter on this line the amount you claimed on line 312 of your federal Schedule 1.

Line 5829 – Employment insurance premiums on self-employment and other eligible earnings

Enter on this line the amount you claimed on line 317 of your federal Schedule 1.

Line 5834 – Canada employment amount

You can claim this amount if you met the rules for claiming the amount on line 363 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5834 the amount you claimed on line 363 of your federal Schedule 1.

Note

Only residents of Yukon are eligible for this amount. If you are not a resident of Yukon, you cannot claim this non-refundable tax credit in calculating your Yukon tax even though you may have received income from a source inside Yukon in 2015.

Line 5835 – Public transit amount ▼

You can claim this amount if you met the rules for claiming the amount on line 364 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5835 the amount you claimed on line 364 of your federal Schedule 1.

Note

Only residents of Yukon are eligible for this amount. If you are not a resident of Yukon, you cannot claim this non-refundable tax credit in calculating your Yukon tax even though you may have received income from a source inside Yukon in 2015.

Line 5841 – Children’s arts amount

You can claim this amount if the rules are met for claiming the amount on line 370 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5841 the amount you claimed on line 370 of your federal Schedule 1.

Note

Only residents of Yukon are eligible for this amount. If you are not a resident of Yukon, you cannot claim this non-refundable tax credit in calculating your Yukon tax even though you may have received income from a source inside Yukon in 2015.

Line 5833 – Adoption expenses

You can claim this amount if the rules are met for claiming the amount on line 313 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5833 the amount you claimed on line 313 of your federal Schedule 1.

Note

Only residents of Yukon are eligible for this amount. If you are not a resident of Yukon, you cannot claim this non-refundable tax credit in calculating your Yukon tax even though you may have received income from a source inside Yukon in 2015.

Line 5836 – Pension income amount ▼

You can claim this amount if you met the rules for claiming the amount on line 314 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5836 the amount you claimed on line 314 of your federal Schedule 1.

Line 5840 – Caregiver amount

You can claim this amount if the rules are met for claiming the amount on line 315 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5840 the amount you claimed on line 315 of your federal Schedule 1.

Line 5844 – Disability amount (for self) ▼

You can claim this amount if you met the rules for claiming the amount on line 316 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5844 the amount you claimed on line 316 of your federal Schedule 1.

Line 5848 – Disability amount transferred from a dependant

You can claim this amount if the rules are met for claiming the amount on line 318 of federal Schedule 1. Enter on line 5848 the amount you claimed on line 318 of your federal Schedule 1.

Line 5852 – Interest paid on your student loans

Enter on this line the amount you claimed on line 319 of your federal Schedule 1.

Line 5856 – Your tuition, education, and textbook amounts

Complete Schedule YT(S11), *Territorial Tuition, Education, and Textbook Amounts*.

Supporting documents – If you are filing electronically, keep all your documents in case we ask to see them at a later date. If you are filing a **paper return, attach your completed Schedule YT(S11)**, but do not send your other documents. Keep all your documents in case we ask to see them at a later date.

Transferring and carrying forward amounts

You may not need all of your 2015 tuition, education, and textbook amounts to reduce your territorial income tax to zero. In this case, you can **transfer** all or some of the unused part to **one** person, either your spouse or common-law partner (who would claim it on line 5864) or your or your spouse's or common-law partner's parent or grandparent (who would claim it on line 5860).

You can only transfer an amount to your parent or grandparent, or your spouse's or common-law partner's parent or grandparent, if your spouse or common-law partner does not claim an amount for you on line 5812 or 5864.

Complete the "Transfer/Carryforward of unused amount" section of Schedule YT(S11) to calculate the territorial amount available to transfer, as well as Form T2202A, *Tuition, Education, and Textbook Amounts Certificate*, TL11A, *Tuition, Education, and Textbook Amounts Certificate – University Outside Canada*, TL11B, *Tuition, Education, and Textbook Amounts Certificate – Flying School or Club*, or TL11C, *Tuition, Education, and Textbook Amounts Certificate – Commuter to the United States*, to designate who can claim the transferred amount and to specify the amount this person can claim. This amount may be different from the amount calculated for the same person on your federal Schedule 11. Enter the territorial amount you are transferring on line 24 of your Schedule YT(S11).

Tax Tip

If you are transferring an amount to a designated individual, only transfer the amount this person can use. That way, you can carry forward as much as possible to use in a future year.

Complete the "Transfer/Carryforward of unused amount" section of Schedule YT(S11) to calculate the amount you can **carry forward** to a future year. This amount corresponds to the part of your tuition, education, and textbook amounts you do not need to use (and do not transfer) for the year.

Line 5860 – Tuition, education, and textbook amounts transferred from a child

You can claim these amounts if the rules are met for claiming an amount on line 324 of federal Schedule 1.

Enter on line 5860 the total of all territorial amounts that each student has transferred to you as shown on his or her Form T2202A, TL11A, TL11B, or TL11C.

Notes

The student **must have entered this amount on line 24** of his or her Schedule YT(S11). He or she may have chosen to transfer an amount that is less than the available territorial amount. The student cannot transfer to you any unused tuition, education, and textbook amounts carried forward from a previous year.

If you and the student were residents of different territories or provinces on December 31, 2015, special rules may apply. Contact the Canada Revenue Agency to determine the amount you can claim on line 5860.

Other rules may apply if the student has a spouse or a common-law partner. Read line 324 in the *General Income Tax and Benefit Guide*.

Supporting documents – If you are filing electronically or filing a **paper return**, do not send any documents. Keep all your documents in case we ask to see them at a later date. The **student** must attach Schedule YT(S11) to his or her paper return.

Line 5864 – Amounts transferred from your spouse or common-law partner ▼

You can claim these amounts if the rules are met for claiming an amount on line 326 of federal Schedule 1.

Complete Schedule YT(S2), *Territorial Amounts Transferred From Your Spouse or Common-law Partner*, and attach a copy to your return.

Line 5868 – Medical expenses for self, spouse ▼ or common-law partner, and your dependent children born in 1998 or later

The medical expenses you can claim on line 5868 are the same as those you can claim on line 330 of your federal Schedule 1. They have to cover the **same 12-month period** ending in 2015, and no one claimed them on a 2014 return.

Line 5872 – Allowable amount of medical expenses for other dependants

In addition to the medical expenses claimed on line 5868, you can claim medical expenses for other dependants.

The medical expenses you can claim on line 5872 are the same as those you can claim on line 331 of your federal Schedule 1. They have to cover the **same 12-month period** ending in 2015, and no one claimed them on a 2014 return.

Line 5896 – Donations and gifts ▼

Enter the amounts from lines 345 and 347 of your federal Schedule 9 and multiply them by the rates on lines 31 and 32 of Form YT428.

Step 2 – Yukon tax on taxable income

Enter on line 35 your taxable income from line 260 of your return. Complete the appropriate column depending on the amount entered.

Step 3 – Yukon tax

Line 44 – Yukon tax on split income

If you have to pay federal tax on split income on line 424 of your federal Schedule 1, complete Part 2 of Form T1206, *Tax on Split Income*, to calculate the Yukon tax that applies to this income.

Form T1206 also contains a special rule that applies to the amount you enter on line 428 of your return. For more information about tax on split income, see the *General Income Tax and Benefit Guide*.

Line 52 – Yukon additional tax for minimum tax purposes

If you have to pay federal minimum tax as calculated on Form T691, *Alternative Minimum Tax*, you will have to determine your Yukon additional tax for minimum tax purposes.

To do this, complete the calculation on line 52 of Form YT428.

For more information about minimum tax, see the *General Income Tax and Benefit Guide*.

Line 54 – Territorial foreign tax credit

If your federal foreign tax credit on non-business income is less than the related tax you paid to a foreign country, you may be eligible to claim a territorial foreign tax credit.

To claim this credit, complete Form T2036, *Provincial or Territorial Foreign Tax Credit*. You can get this form from the CRA's website or by contacting us (read "For more information" on page 1 of this book).

Enter on line 54 of Form YT428 the tax credit amount from line 5 of Form T2036.

Supporting documents – If you are filing electronically, keep all your documents in case we ask to see them at a

later date. If you are filing a paper return, attach your Form T2036.

Lines 56 and 57 – Yukon political contribution tax credit

You can deduct part of the contributions you made in 2015 to a registered Yukon political party or to a candidate seeking election to the Yukon Legislative Assembly.

How to claim

Enter your total contributions on line 56 of Form YT428, and calculate the amount to enter on line 57 as follows:

- For contributions of **more than \$1,150**, enter \$500 on line 57.
- For contributions of **\$1,150 or less**, complete the calculation for line 57 on the *Territorial Worksheet* in this book.

Supporting documents – If you are filing electronically, keep all your documents in case we ask to see them at a later date. If you are filing a **paper return**, for each contribution attach the official receipt signed by an official agent of the political party or candidate.

Form YT479, Yukon Credits

Line 1 – Children's fitness tax credit

You can claim this credit if at the end of the year you were a resident of Yukon and the rules are met for claiming the credit on line 459 on page 4 of your return.

Enter on line 6392 the amount from line 458 on page 4 of your return. Multiply this amount by 6.4% and enter the result on line 1.

Lines 2 to 9 – Small business investment tax credit

You can claim this credit if at the end of the year you were a resident of Yukon **and** you were 19 years of age or older.

The credit is equal to 25% of the value of eligible shares and subordinated debt that you invested in eligible Yukon businesses in 2015 (that you did not claim on your 2014 return) or in the first 60 days of 2016.

Enter on line 2 of Form YT479 the amount of the tax credit shown on Certificate YSBITC-1, *Small Business Corporation Investment Tax Credit* (issued by the Yukon government).

Supporting documents – If you are filing electronically, keep all your documents in case we ask to see them at a later date. If you are filing a **paper return**, attach your YSBITC-1 certificate.

Unused small business investment tax credit

You can carry forward your unused small business investment tax credits for seven years or carry them back three years.

Any unused tax credit is shown on your most recent notice of assessment or notice of reassessment. Enter any unused credit from previous years on line 3 of Form YT479 to reduce your 2015 Yukon tax. The maximum amount available is \$25,000 per year. This limit includes any carryover amount.

You may not need all of your credit to reduce your 2015 territorial income tax to zero. Complete the calculation for lines 7 to 9 on the *Territorial Worksheet* in this book to determine any unused credit available to carry back to previous years.

Lines 10 to 19 – Labour-sponsored venture capital corporation tax credit

You can claim a credit equal to 25% of eligible investments you made in the Fireweed Fund Corporation in 2015 (that you did not claim on your 2014 return) or in the first 60 days of 2016. The maximum annual credit is \$1,250.

If the investment was made into a spousal or common-law partner RRSP, you or your spouse or common-law partner may claim the tax credit.

Enter on line 10 of Form YT479 the amount of the tax credit shown on the tax credit certificate you received from the Fireweed Fund Corporation.

Tax Tip

You are also eligible for a federal tax credit. For more information, read lines 413 and 414 in the *General Income Tax and Benefit Guide*.

Supporting documents – If you are filing electronically, keep all your documents in case we ask to see them at a later date. If you are filing a **paper return**, attach your certificate.

Unused labour-sponsored venture capital corporation tax credit

You can carry forward your unused labour-sponsored venture capital corporation tax credits for seven years or carry them back three years.

Any unused tax credit is shown on your most recent notice of assessment or notice of reassessment. Enter any unused credit from previous years on line 11 of Form YT479 to reduce your 2015 Yukon tax.

You may not need all of your credit to reduce your 2015 territorial income tax to zero. Complete the calculation for lines 17 to 19 on the *Territorial Worksheet* in

this book to determine any unused credit available to carry back to previous years.

Line 20 – Research and development tax credit

You can claim this credit if you were a resident of Yukon at the end of the year and you made eligible expenditures in the tax year for scientific research and experimental development carried out in Yukon.

To claim this credit, complete Form T1232, *Yukon Research and Development Tax Credit (Individuals)*. You can get this form from the CRA's website or by contacting us (read "For more information" on page 1 of this book).

Enter on line 20 of Form YT479 the tax credit from line 8 of Form T1232.

Supporting documents – If you are filing electronically, keep all your documents in case we ask to see them at a later date. If you are filing a **paper return**, attach your Form T1232.

Line 22 – Yukon First Nations income tax credit ▼

If you resided within the settlement land of a self-governing Yukon First Nation at the end of the year, complete Form YT432, *Yukon First Nations Tax*.

This form contains all the information about this credit.