



Form M-2210F
**Underpayment of Massachusetts
Estimated Income Tax for Fiduciaries**

2015

**Massachusetts
Department of
Revenue**

Enclose this form with your income tax return. Please print in ink or type.

Name(s) as shown on page 1 of return

Social Security or Federal Identification number

Exceptions to the Underpayment Penalty

You may qualify for an exception to the underpayment penalty if:

- ☐ Your 2015 income tax due after credits and withholding is \$400 or less.
- ☐ You are a qualified farmer or fisherman filing and paying your full amount due on or before March 1, 2016.
- ☐ You were a resident of Massachusetts for 12 months and not liable for taxes during 2014.
- ☐ Your estimated payments and withholding equal or exceed your 2014 tax (where taxable year was 12 months and a return was filed).

Part 1. Required Annual Payment

1	2015 tax (from Form 2, line 41)	1	
2	Total credits (from Form 2, lines 54 and 61 through 64)	2	
3	Balance. Subtract line 2 from line 1. Not less than "0"	3	
4	Enter 80% of line 3 or 66 2/3% of line 3 if you are a qualified farmer or fisherman.	4	
5	Enter 2014 tax liability after credits (from 2014 return) (see instructions).	5	
6	Enter the smaller of line 4 or line 5	6	

Part 2. Figuring Your Underpayment

7	Enter in col's. a through d (respectively) the installment dates of the 15th day of the 4th, 6th and 9th months of the taxable year and the 1st month of the succeeding taxable year.	7	a	b	c	d
8	Divide the amount in line 6 by the number of installments required for the year. Enter the result in the appropriate columns	8				
9	Estimated taxes paid and taxes withheld for each installment.	9				
10	Overpayment of previous installment	10				
11	Total. Add lines 9 and 10.	11				
12	Overpayment. Subtract line 8 from line 11	12				
13	Underpayment. Subtract line 11 from line 8	13				

Part 3. Figuring Your Underpayment Penalty

14	Enter the date you paid the amount in line 13 or the 15th day of the 4th month after the close of the taxable year, whichever is earlier	14				
15	Number of days from the due date of installment to the date shown in line 14.	15				
16	Number of days in line 15 after 4/15/15 and before 7/1/15	16				
17	Number of days in line 15 after 6/30/15 and before 10/1/15	17				
18	Number of days in line 15 after 9/30/15 and before 1/1/16	18				
19	Number of days in line 15 after 12/31/15 and before 4/15/16	19				
20	Underpayment in line 13 $\times$ (number of days in line 16 $\div$ 365) $\times$ 4%	20				
21	Underpayment in line 13 $\times$ (number of days in line 17 $\div$ 365) $\times$ 4%	21				
22	Underpayment in line 13 $\times$ (number of days in line 18 $\div$ 365) $\times$ 4%	22				
23	Underpayment in line 13 $\times$ (number of days in line 19 $\div$ 365) $\times$ 4%	23				
24	Penalty. Add all amounts shown in lines 20 through 23. Enter this amount on Form 2, line 69	24				

Form M-2210F Instructions

General Information

Who should use this form. If you are a fiduciary receiving income taxable at the entity level, you should use Form M-2210F to determine if your 2015 estimated and/or withholding tax payments were sufficient. If they were not, an underpayment penalty will be imposed, unless you qualify for one of the exceptions or waivers explained below.

Filing estimated tax vouchers. You are required to file estimated tax vouchers if you reasonably expect to pay more than \$400 in Massachusetts income tax on income which is not covered by withholding. For further information regarding estimated taxes, see the instructions for Form 2-ES Payment Vouchers or the publication *Should You Be Paying Estimated Taxes?*

Exceptions which avoid the penalty. No underpayment penalty will be imposed if:

1. Your 2015 tax due after credits and withholding is \$400 or less.
2. You were a qualified farmer or fisherman who filed and paid in full with your return by March 1, 2016. To qualify, your gross income from farming or fishing must be at least two-thirds of the annual gross income shown on your 2014 or 2015 return.
3. You were a resident of Massachusetts for the full 12 months of the previous taxable year and were **not** liable for taxes.
4. Your 2015 estimated payments and withholding (line 9) made on or before each installment due date in the taxable year equal or exceed the tax shown on your 2014 return divided among the four installment due dates **provided** that such return was for a full 12-month period.

If you qualify for an exception, do not complete lines 14 through 24. Instead, check the appropriate box on the front of this form **and** fill in the "EX" oval on Form 2. Enclose this form with your return. If you qualify for the first exception (your 2015 tax due after credits and withholding is \$400 or less) you do not need to complete this form.

Waiver of underpayment penalty. A waiver of underpayment penalty for one or more installments may be granted if:

1. Your underpayment was by reason of casualty, disaster or unusual circumstance; or
2. You retired in 2014 or 2015 after reaching age 62, or you became disabled and your underpayment was due to reasonable cause and not willful neglect.

If you qualify for the waiver, complete lines 7 through 13 for the installment(s) for which you are claiming a waiver, and write "WAIVER" in the appropriate box(es) in line 14. Fill in the "EX" oval on Form 2. Enclose this form and an explanation of your reasons for claiming the waiver with your return.

Line-by-Line Instructions

Figuring your underpayment and penalty. To determine the underpayment amount, complete lines 1 through 13, in order of installment due dates, taking care to complete all four columns for lines 7 through 13.

Line 5

- If you filed a return for 2014 **and** it was for a full 12 months, enter your 2014 tax liability after credits.
- If you were a resident of Massachusetts for 12 months in 2014 and you were not liable for taxes, enter "0."
- If you did not file a return for 2014, or if your 2014 tax year was less than 12 months, **do not** complete line 5. Instead, enter the amount from line 4 in line 6.

Line 9

If more than one payment is made for a given installment, attach a separate penalty computation for each payment.

If you had any taxes withheld during the year, you may apply an equal part of those taxes as payment on each required installment(s). If you can establish the actual dates and amounts of your withholding, you may consider those amounts as payments on the dates they were actually withheld.

Line 12

If line 12 shows an overpayment, that overpayment may be used as payment of any existing underpayment amount. Overpayments used as payments of prior underpayment amounts **do not** decrease the actual underpayment amount but serve to reduce instead the **period** of underpayment subject to penalty. If there are no existing underpayment amounts, the overpayment is applied as a credit against the next installment.

Line 13

If line 13 shows an underpayment, see the General Information section to determine whether you qualify for an exception to, or waiver of, the underpayment penalty. If you do not qualify, continue on through line 24 to determine your underpayment penalty.

Annualized income installment method. If you do not receive taxable income evenly throughout the year, you may wish to annualize your income to adjust your required installment amount(s). Enter any adjusted installment amount in the appropriate column in line 8 and calculate any underpayment penalty from those figures. Write "ANNUALIZED" under the column in line 24. For more information on using the Annualized Income Installment method, please refer to the Massachusetts Department of Revenue's Annualized Income Installment Worksheet, Form M-2210A. Form M-2210A may be obtained by visiting DOR's website at mass.gov/dor.

Lines 16 through 23

Fiscal year taxpayers. If you file on a fiscal year basis and are subject to an underpayment penalty, attach a separate statement to calculate the penalty due based on the interest rate(s) in effect for the period(s) of the underpayment(s).