

Schedule CB Worksheets

Schedule CB, Line 3 — Massachusetts Income Worksheet

Circuit Breaker Total Income Calculation

Total income is not the same as taxable income for purposes of the tax credit, a taxpayer's total qualifying income includes taxable income as well as exempt income such as Social Security, Treasury bills and public pensions. For a complete list of what constitutes total qualifying income to calculate your total income and determine if you qualify for the credit, please visit our website at mass.gov/info-details/massachusetts-senior-circuit-breaker-tax-credit.

Part 1. Complete only if you only have 5.0% income reported on Form 1, line 10 or Form 1-NR/PY, line 12 or partnership, trust or S corporation income not reported on Form 1 or Form 1-NR/PY. Otherwise, enter 0 on line 6 and go to Part 2.

1. Enter your total 5.0% income from Form 1, line 10 or Form 1-NR/PY, line 12. Not less than 0*
2. Enter the total of Schedule Y, lines 2 through 9b and line 10
3. Subtract line 2 from line 1. Not less than 0
4. Reserved for future use
5. Enter any income from a partnership, trust or S corporation not reported on Form 1 or Form 1-NR/PY
6. Add lines 3 through 5. Not less than 0

Part 2. Complete only if you have interest income (including tax-exempt interest) other than from Massachusetts banks, dividend income, short-term capital gains, long-term gains on collectibles and installment sales. Otherwise, enter 0 on line 11 and go to Part 3.

7. Enter the amount from Schedule B, line 9. If there is no entry in Schedule B, line 9, enter the amount from Form 1, line 20 or Form 1-NR/PY, line 24
8. Enter the amounts from Schedule B, lines 6a and 6b
9. Add lines 7 and 8
10. Enter the amount from Schedule B, line 15
11. Add lines 9 and 10

Part 3. Complete only if you have long-term capital gains or capital gain distributions. Otherwise, enter 0 on line 18 and go to Part 4.

12. Enter any gains (not including any losses) included in U.S. Schedule D, lines 8a and 8b, col. h
13. Enter any gains (not including any losses) included in U.S. Schedule D, line 9, col. h
14. Enter any gains (not including any losses) included in U.S. Schedule D, line 10, col. h
15. Enter any gains (not including any losses) included in U.S. Schedule D, line 11, col. h
16. Enter any gains (not including any losses) included in U.S. Schedule D, line 12, col. h
17. Enter any gains included in U.S. Schedule D, line 13, col. h. If U.S. Schedule D not filed, enter the amount from U.S. Form 1040, line 7a
18. Add lines 12 through 17

Note: If you moved during the year you may have to complete separate computations for each residence that would qualify for the credit. On Schedule CB you should complete separate computations for each residence for lines 10 through 14 and/or line 18. The income threshold (line 15 or 19) should be subtracted from the total of these computations to determine if you qualify for the credit.

Part 4. Massachusetts adjusted gross income.

19. Part-year residents, enter any income earned while a nonresident not included in lines 1 through 18 above. Not less than 0.
20. Add lines 6, 11, 18 and 19. Enter the result here and on Schedule CB, line 3

*Add back any Abandoned Building Renovation deduction claimed on Schedule(s) C and/or E.

Schedule CB, Line 10 — Property in Excess of One Acre Real Estate Tax Calculation Worksheet

Complete only if your property is in excess of one acre.

Note: When determining credit eligibility, use only the assessed value of the principal residence together with the land that immediately surrounds and is related to the principal residence, as long as they don't exceed 1 acre when combined.

If your real estate tax bill does not separately list the assessed value of the principal residence and the surrounding land up to 1 acre, contact the local city or town assessor for a breakdown of the real estate tax bill (e.g., 20-acre parcel with a house).

You may only claim your own proportional share of the real estate tax payments that correspond to the part of the residence you used and occupied as your principal residence. Use the Schedule CB line 10 worksheet below to calculate your proportional share of real estate taxes.

1. Enter the land value of property
2. Enter the total value of property
3. Divide line 1 by line 2
4. Subtract line 3 from "1"
5. Enter the total acreage of the property
6. Divide "1" by the amount in line 5
7. Multiply line 6 by line 3
8. Enter the total real estate tax paid
9. Multiply line 7 by line 8
10. Multiply line 4 by line 8
11. Add lines 9 and 10. Enter the result here and on Schedule CB, line 10

Schedule CB, Line 11 — Adjustments to Real Estate Taxes Paid Worksheet

1. Enter the amount of any real estate tax abatement, including senior work program, or exemption received in 2025. Do not exclude amounts if they were already reflected on your tax bill and you did not pay them.
2. Enter any interest amount paid due to late real estate tax payments in 2025
3. Enter the amount of any betterment or special assessment paid in 2025
4. Add lines 1 through 3. Enter result here and on Schedule CB, line 11