## Appendix B. Worksheets for Social Security Recipients Who Contribute to a Traditional IRA

If you receive social security benefits, have taxable compensation, contribute to your traditional IRA, and you or your spouse is covered by an employer retirement plan, complete the following worksheets. (See Are You Covered by an Employer Plan? in chapter 1.)
Use Worksheet 1 to figure your modified adjusted gross income. This amount is needed in the computation of your IRA deduction, if any, which is figured using Worksheet 2.
The IRA deduction figured using Worksheet 2 is entered on your tax return.

## Worksheet 1 <br> Computation of Modified AGI <br> (For use only by taxpayers who receive social security benefits)

Filing Status - Check only one box:
A. Married filing jointly

- B. Single, Head of Household, Qualifying Widow(er), or Married filing separately and lived apart from your spouse during the entire year
- C. Married filing separately and lived with your spouse at any time during the year

1. Adjusted gross income (AGI) from Form 1040 or Form 1040A (not taking into account any social security benefits from Form SSA-1099 or RRB-1099, any deduction for contributions to a traditional IRA, any student loan interest deduction, any tuition and fees deduction, any domestic production activities deduction, or any exclusion of interest from savings bonds to be reported on Form 8815)
2. 
3. Enter the amount in box 5 of all Forms SSA-1099 and Forms RRB-1099 . . . . . . . . . . . . 2

4. Enter the amount of any foreign earned income exclusion, foreign housing exclusion, U.S. possessions income exclusion, exclusion of income from Puerto Rico you claimed as a bona fide resident of Puerto Rico, or exclusion of employer-provided adoption benefits
5. 
6. Enter the amount of any tax-exempt interest reported on line 8b of Form 1040 or 1040A 5.
7. Add lines 1, 3, 4, and 5 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 6
8. Enter the amount listed below for your filing status.

- $\$ 32,000$ if you checked box $\mathbf{A}$ above.
- $\mathbf{\$ 2 5 , 0 0 0}$ if you checked box B above.
- \$0 if you checked box C above.

7. 
8. Subtract line 7 from line 6 . If zero or less, enter 0 on this line . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 8.
9. If line 8 is zero, stop here. None of your social security benefits are taxable. If line 8 is more than 0 , enter the amount listed below for your filing status.

- $\$ 12,000$ if you checked box $\mathbf{A}$ above.
- $\$ 9,000$ if you checked box $\mathbf{B}$ above.
- \$0 if you checked box $\mathbf{C}$ above

9. 
10. Subtract line 9 from line 8 . If zero or less, enter 0 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 10.
11. Enter the smaller of line 8 or line 9 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 11.
12. Enter one-half of line 11 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 12.
13. Enter the smaller of line 3 or line 12 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 13.
14. Multiply line 10 by 85 . If line 10 is zero, enter 0 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 14.
15. Add lines 13 and 14 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 15.
16. Multiply line 2 by . 85 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 16.
17. Taxable benefits to be included in modified AGI for traditional IRA deduction purposes. Enter the smaller of line 15 or line 16
18. 
19. Enter the amount of any employer-provided adoption benefits exclusion and any foreign
earned income exclusion and foreign housing exclusion or deduction that you claimed $\ldots 18$.
20. Modified AGI for determining your reduced traditional IRA deduction - add lines 1, 17, and 18. Enter here and on line 2 of Worksheet 2, next
21. 



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## Comprehensive Example <br> Determining Your Traditional IRA Deduction and <br> the Taxable Portion of Your Social Security Benefits

John Black is married and files a joint return. He is 65 years old and had 2007 wages of $\$ 78,500$. His wife did not work in 2007. He also received social security benefits of $\$ 10,000$ and made a $\$ 5,000$ contribution to his traditional IRA for the year. He had no foreign income, no tax-exempt interest, and no adjustments to income on lines 23 through 36 on his Form 1040. He participated in a section $401(\mathrm{k})$ retirement plan at work.

John completes worksheets 1 and 2. Worksheet 2 shows that his 2007 IRA deduction is $\$ 4,000$. He must either withdraw the contributions that are more than the deduction (the $\$ 1,000$ shown on line 8 of Worksheet 2), or treat the excess amounts as nondeductible contributions (in which case he must complete Form 8606 and attach it to his Form 1040).

The completed worksheets that follow show how John figured his modified AGI to determine the IRA deduction and the taxable social security benefits to report on his Form 1040.

## Worksheet 1

Computation of Modified AGI
(For use only by taxpayers who receive social security benefits)
Filing Status - Check only one box:
$\checkmark$ A. Married filing jointly
$\square$ B. Single, Head of Household, Qualifying Widow(er), or Married filing separately and lived apart from your spouse during the entire year

- C. Married filing separately and lived with your spouse at any time during the year

1. Adjusted gross income (AGI) from Form 1040 or Form 1040A (not taking into account any social security benefits from Form SSA-1099 or RRB-1099, any deduction for contributions to a traditional IRA, any student loan interest deduction, any tuition and fees deduction, any domestic production activities deduction, or any exclusion of interest from savings bonds to be reported on Form 8815)
2. $\quad 78,500$
3. Enter the amount in box 5 of all Forms SSA-1099 and Forms RRB-1099 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2.
4. 10,000
5. Enter one-half of line 2
6. 5,000
7. Enter the amount of any foreign earned income exclusion, foreign housing exclusion, U.S. possessions income exclusion, exclusion of income from Puerto Rico you claimed as a bona fide resident of Puerto Rico, or exclusion of employer-provided adoption benefits
8. 
9. Enter the amount of any tax-exempt interest reported on line 8b of Form 1040 or 1040A
10. 
11. Add lines 1, 3, 4, and 5
12. $\qquad$
13. Enter the amount listed below for your filing status.

- \$32,000 if you checked box A above.
- $\mathbf{\$ 2 5 , 0 0 0}$ if you checked box $B$ above.
- \$0 if you checked box C above. 7. $\quad 32,000$

8. Subtract line 7 from line 6 . If zero or less, enter 0 on this line
9. 

51,500
9. If line 8 is zero, stop here. None of your social security benefits are taxable. If line 8 is more than 0 , enter the amount listed below for your filing status.

- \$12,000 if you checked box A above.
- $\$ 9,000$ if you checked box $\mathbf{B}$ above.
- \$0 if you checked box C above

9. 

12,000

10.
11.
12. 39,500
11. Enter the smaller of line 8 or line 9
13. 12,000
12. Enter one-half of line 11
13. Enter the smaller of line 3 or line 12 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 13.

6,000
14.

5,000
14. Multiply line 10 by .85 . If line 10 is zero, enter 0
15.

33,575
15. Add lines 13 and 14
16. Multiply line 2 by .85 . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 16.

38,575 8,500
17. Taxable benefits to be included in modified AGI for traditional IRA deduction purposes. Enter the smaller of line 15 or line 16 $\qquad$
18. Enter the amount of any employer-provided adoption benefits exclusion and any foreign earned income exclusion and foreign housing exclusion or deduction that you claimed
18. 8,500 19. Modified AGI for determining your reduced traditional IRA deduction - add lines 1, 17, and 18. Enter here and on line 2 of Worksheet 2, next
19.

87,000

| Worksheet 2 <br> Computation of Traditional IRA Deduction For 2007 (For use only by taxpayers who receive social security benefits) |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | IF your filing status is ... | AND your modified AGI is over ... | THEN enter on line 1 below ... |
|  | married filing jointly or qualifying widow(er) <br> married filing jointly (you are not covered by an employer plan but your spouse is) <br> single, or head of household <br> married filing separately** <br> *If your modified AGI is lesser of \$4,000 (\$5,000 taxable compensation. S Worksheet 3. <br> **If you did not live with Note. If you were marrie deduction for each of you Certain employer bank for instructions to comple | $\$ 83,000^{*}$ $\$ 156,000^{*}$ \$52,000* \$0* <br> unt, you can take an IRA deduction or older or $\$ 7,000$ for certain empl t, proceed to Worksheet 3, and ent <br> ny time during the year, consider your spouse worked and you both contribur <br> tch-up contributions in certain emp of this worksheet. | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 103,000 \\ & \$ 166,000 \\ & \$ 62,000 \\ & \$ 10,000 \end{aligned}$ <br> contributions of up to the nkruptcies) or your IRA deduction on line 2 of gstatus as single. to IRAs, figure the <br> ankruptcies in chapter 1 |
| 1. | Enter the applicable am |  | 1. 103,000 |
| 2. | Enter your modified AG Note. If line 2 is equal to traditional IRA contribution | 1 , line 19 amount on line 1, stop here; your ctible. Proceed to Worksheet 3. | 2. $\qquad$ |
| 3. | Subtract line 2 from line Multiply line 3 by the pe multiple of $\$ 10$, round it rounded to \$620.) Howe <br> - Married filing jointly covered by an empl (.20) (by 25\% (.25) <br> - All others, multiply li you are age 50 or o | at applies to you. If the result is no t multiple of \$10. (For example, \$6 less than \$200, enter \$200. | 3. $\qquad$ <br> 4. $\qquad$ 4,000 |
| 5. | Enter your compensation self-employment tax) and If you are the lower-inco by his or her traditional I | ctions on Form 1040, line 27 (one-h oloyed SEP, SIMPLE, and qualified de your spouse's compensation red contributions for this year | 5. 78,500 |
| 6. | Enter contributions you do not enter more than | make, to your traditional IRA for 2007 you are age 50 or older) | $6 . \quad 5,000$ |
| 7. | Deduction. Compare lin amount if you choose). IRA. (If the amount on li | ter the smallest amount here (or a on the Form 1040 or 1040A line for the amount on line 7, complete line | 7. 4,000 |
| 8. | Nondeductible contribu Enter the result here and | ine 7 from line 5 or 6 , whichever is Form 8606, Nondeductible IRAs. | 8. $\quad 1,000$ |

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