# Taxpayer Audits™ v.2.0- Study Guide & Outline

Credits: 2 CPE Hours | 50-minute hour credit Required Texts: Course Transcript (Included) Required Video Lessons: 15 (Included)

**Course Format:** QAS SS **Subject Classification:** Taxes

Exam Questions: Review - 6 | Final - 10

Prerequisites: None

Advance Preparation: None Course Level: Overview

Course Publication Date: July 2016 Course Updated: March 2017 Instructions to Complete Course:

- Complete Video Lessons.
- If desired, print Course Transcript and supplemental material to follow along
- Open Review Questions and answer questions on Response Sheet
- Grade and score your Review using Review Questions Answer Key
- Open Final Exam and complete Final Exam using Response Sheet
- Submit Final Exam Response Sheet to TeachUcomp, Inc. following instructions in "Submittal Form & Instructions"

## **Course Introduction**

This course will explore the processes and procedures that take place during an IRS examination of an individual taxpayer's return. We'll also be examining the rights of a taxpayer whose return is the subject of an IRS examination; including the right to appeal determinations made by the Internal Revenue Service.

We will discuss general topics related to current tax law, and explore those topics further using real-world examples. In addition, we will specifically reference *IRS Publication 556, Examination of Returns, Appeal Rights, and Claims for Refund*, as supplemental material.

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#### **Course Outline**

This course is divided into two chapters that include the following information:

### Introduction

### **CHAPTER ONE: IRS EXAMINATION OF A TAXPAYER'S RETURN**

- 1.1- Chapter One Learning Objectives and Key Terms
- 1.2- Introduction to Taxpayer Audits
- 1.3- Examination Selection Criteria
- 1.4- Notice of Audit
- 1.5- The Examination
- 1.6- Letters from the IRS
- 1.7- Payment of Additional Tax
- 1.8- Fast Track Mediation

#### **CHAPTER TWO: TAXPAYERS' RIGHTS AND APPEALS**

- 2.1 Chapter Two Learning Objectives and Key Terms
- 2.2 Basic Taxpayer Rights
- 2.3 Taxpayer Representation
- 2.4 Appeals within the IRS
- 2.5 Appealing to Outside Courts
- 2.6 Further Reading and Conclusion

## **Learning Objectives**

This course contains thirteen distinct learning objectives. By the end of this course, you should be able to do all of the following:

- 1. State the goal of an IRS audit when a tax return is examined
- 2. List five broad reasons that a taxpayer's return might be selected for audit
- 3. Identify two ways that a taxpayer might become aware of an IRS audit
- 4. Identify ways that a taxpayer can protect himself/herself from phone scams related to IRS audits and collections
- 5. Identify the process that takes place during an IRS examination of a taxpayer's return
- 6. Name the two broad steps that a taxpayer must take after receiving notice of an IRS audit
- 7. Identify rules related to sending correspondence and documents to the IRS
- 8. Identify the means by which a taxpayer makes additional payments of tax after an audit
- 9. List basic taxpayer rights and describe the rights that are especially relevant during an audit
- 10. Interpret the rules related to a taxpayer's right to representation during an audit
- 11. Identify the process by which IRS Form 2848 is completed and filed
- 12. Identify the process by which a taxpayer appeals a proposed adjustment of tax within the IRS appeals system
- 13. Identify the means by which a taxpayer may petition outside courts to resolve a tax dispute with the IRS

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