

VICTIMS OF IRS TAX-RELATED IDENTITY THEFT

If selected for verification, individuals who are victims of IRS tax-related identity theft must submit the following to the institution:

- A Tax Return DataBase View (TRDBV) transcript obtained from the IRS; and
- A statement signed and dated by the tax filer indicating that they were victims of IRS tax-related identity theft and that the IRS has been made aware of the tax-related identity theft.

Tax filers may obtain a TRDBV transcript and inform the IRS of the tax-related identity theft by calling the IRS's Identity Protection Specialized Unit (IPSU) at 1-800-908-4490. The IPSU will first authenticate the identity of the tax filer, who can then ask the IRS to mail them a TRDBV transcript. The TRDBV transcript will look different than a regular IRS tax return transcript, but it is official and can be used for verification.

Tax filers who cannot obtain a TRDBV transcript may instead submit another official IRS transcript or equivalent document provided by the IRS if it includes all of the income and tax information required to be verified. Unless the institution has reason to suspect the authenticity of the TRDBV transcript or the equivalent document provided by the IRS, a signature or stamp or any other validation from the IRS is not needed.