

Instructions for Form FTB 3588

Payment Voucher for LLC Electronically Filed (e-filed) Returns

What's New

For taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2009, the limited liability company, (LLC) fee must be estimated and paid by the 15th day of the 6th month following the **beginning** of the taxable year. LLCs will use form FTB 3536, Estimated Fee for LLCs, to remit the estimated fee. A penalty in the amount of 10% of the underpayment of the estimated fee will apply if the estimated LLC fee is underpaid. Get form FTB 3536 for more information.

General Information

Use form FTB 3588, Payment Voucher for LLC e-filed Returns, to pay the fee only if the LLC meets all of the following:

- Files its tax return electronically
- Has a balance due
- Remits payment with a check or money order

Round Cents to Dollars – Round cents to the nearest whole dollar. For example, round \$50.50 up to \$51 or round \$25.49 down to \$25.

Private Mail Box – Include the Private Mail Box (PMB) in the address field. Write "PMB" first, then the box number. Example: 111 Main Street PMB 123.

Specific Instructions

Is form FTB 3588 preprinted with the LLC's information?

Yes. Go to number 1. **No.** Go to number 2.

1. Verify that the following information is correct before mailing the voucher and the check or money order:
 - LLC's name
 - Doing Business As (DBA)
 - Address
 - California Secretary of State (SOS) file number
 - Federal employer identification number (FEIN)
 - Amount of payment
 - Contact telephone number

If a change is needed to the information, use blue or black ink to draw a line through the incorrect information and clearly print the new information. Scanning machines may not be able to read other ink colors. Then, go to number 3.

2. If there is a balance due, complete the voucher at the bottom of this page with blue or black ink. Scanning machines may not be able to read other ink colors. Print the LLC's name, doing business as (DBA), address (in

CAPITAL LETTERS), California Secretary of State (SOS) file number, federal employer identification number (FEIN), contact telephone number, and amount of payment in the space provided.

The information on form FTB 3588 should match the information that was electronically transmitted to the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) and the information printed on the paper copy of the 2009 Form 568, Limited Liability Company Return of Income.

3. Using blue or black ink, make the check or money order payable to the "Franchise Tax Board." Write the LLC's SOS file number or FEIN and "2009 FTB 3588" on the check or money order. A penalty may be imposed if the payment is returned by the bank for insufficient funds. Make all checks or money orders payable in U.S. dollars and drawn against a U.S. financial institution.
4. Attach the preprinted voucher or detach the payment voucher below, only if an amount is owed. Enclose, but **do not** staple, the payment with the voucher and mail to:

FRANCHISE TAX BOARD
PO BOX 942857
SACRAMENTO CA 94257-0531

When to Make Payment

If there is a balance due on the 2009 Form 568, mail form FTB 3588 with the payment to the address listed under Specific Instructions, item 4.

The tax liability must be paid by the 15th day of the 4th month following the close of the taxable year.

When the due date falls on a weekend or holiday, the deadline to file and pay without penalty is extended to the next business day.

Penalties and Interest

If the LLC fails to pay its total tax liability by the original due date, the entity will incur a late payment penalty plus interest. To avoid late payment penalties and interest, the tax liability must be paid by the 15th day of the 4th month, following the close of the taxable year. If the entity paid at least 90% of the tax shown on the return by the original due date of the return, but not less than the annual tax, the FTB will waive the penalty based on reasonable cause. However, the imposition of interest is mandatory.