New IRS Direct Pay Tool

The IRS has launched its new web-based system, IRS Direct Pay, which lets taxpayers pay their tax bills or make estimated tax payments directly from checking or savings accounts without any fees or pre-registration. It also offers 30-day advance payment scheduling, payment rescheduling or cancellations and a payment status search. Future plans include an option for e-mailed payment confirmation, a Spanish version and one-time registration with a login and password to allow quick access on return visits.

With IRS Direct Pay, taxpayers receive instant confirmation that the payment has been submitted, and the system is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Bank account information is not retained in IRS systems after payments are made.

Go to **www.irs.gov** and at the top of the IRS homepage click on the "Pay Your Tax Bill" icon. The system will walk you through five steps to pay your taxes.

The steps are as follows:
1. Provide your tax information
2. Verify your identity
3. Enter your payment information
4. Review and electronically sign the transaction
5. Print and record your online confirmation