

# April 2026

## Key deadlines

### Friday, April 10

Employees who received \$20 or more in tips during March must report them to their employer (Form 4070).

### Wednesday, April 15

Deadline to file individual income tax returns (Form 1040) or request an automatic six-month extension (Form 4868).

### Wednesday, April 15

Deadline to file C corporation income tax returns (Form 1120) or request an extension (Form 7004).

### Wednesday, April 15

First installment of 2026 estimated tax payments due (Form 1040-ES).

### Wednesday, April 15

Deadline to make IRA and HSA contributions for 2025.

### Wednesday, April 15

Employers applying the monthly deposit rule must deposit Social Security, Medicare, and withheld income tax on payments made in March.

### Friday, April 24

Deposit federal excise taxes for communications and air transportation for the first quarter of 2026.

### Wednesday, April 29

Deposit federal excise taxes for the second half of April (Form 720).

### Thursday, April 30

File Form 941 for Q1, Form 720, and Form 730.

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### To-do list

- Finalize or extend individual and C corporation returns:**  
Ensure filings are submitted by April 15 to avoid penalties.
- Confirm IRA and HSA contributions:**  
Verify all 2025 contributions are properly documented and submitted.
- Submit Form 941 for Q1 payroll:**  
File on time and review wage compliance for accuracy.
- Record estimated tax payments:**  
Confirm all payments are received and accurately reflected in client records.
- Conduct post-tax season review:**  
Evaluate workflow efficiency and client service outcomes to prepare for improvements in the next cycle.