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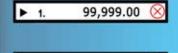
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## NCDOR Web-Fill Special Penalty and Interest Waiver - COVID 19

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## **General Instructions**

Use Form NC-5502 to request a waiver of penalty and/or interest for a tax period in which you were affected by the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19). **Do not** use Form NC-5502 to request a penalty waiver for any other type of penalty assessed by the Department. Instead, use <u>Form NC-5500</u>, Request to Waive Penalties, or <u>Form NC-5501</u>, Request for Waiver of an Informational Return Penalty.

## **Specific Instructions**

Complete Form NC-5502 in its entirety. The Department will only consider a complete form for waiver. **Important.** Form NC-5502 must be signed by the taxpayer, a person legally authorized to execute a tax return, or a representative when a valid <u>Power of Attorney</u> has been accepted by the Department.

- **Part 1. Taxpayer Information:** Enter the identifying information of the taxpayer including name, address, phone number, and applicable identification number(s). Corporations, partnerships, and other business entities should also enter the name and phone number of a person who may be contacted if the Department has questions about the request.
- Part 2. Waiver Information: Enter the requested information for each notice of tax assessment that you are requesting a waiver of penalty and/or interest. Important. If you have more than one notice of tax assessment, be sure to list each notice separately. In addition, in the space provided, explain in detail why the Department should waive the penalty and/or interest.

**You will automatically qualify** for a penalty and/or interest waiver if you received a notice of tax assessment for any of the following:

- a penalty for failure to obtain a license, failure to file a return, or failure to pay a tax that was due on March 15, 2020, through July 15, 2020, when you take the required action on or before July 15, 2020, or
- accrued interest for the period April 15, 2020, through July 15, 2020, on an underpayment of franchise, corporate income, or individual income tax, including a partnership and estate and trust tax, on a tax return due to be filed on April 15, 2020, through July 15, 2020, or
- accrued interest for the period April 15, 2020, through July 15, 2020, on estimated tax payments due on April 15, 2020, through July 15, 2020.

You may qualify for a penalty waiver if you received a notice of tax assessment that includes penalties not included in the automatic waiver above. Use the designated space to explain in detail why you believe the Department should waive the penalty. The Department can only waive interest related to COVID-19 that qualifies for automatic waiver. See the above paragraph for further details.

If the Department grants your request for penalty waiver because you were affected by COVID-19, the penalty waiver will be considered a "special circumstances" waiver. A "special circumstances" waiver will not affect your record of "good compliance" for purposes of the Department's Penalty Waiver Policy. For a definition of "good compliance" and "special circumstances," see the Department's <u>Penalty Waiver Policy</u>.

**Important Information Regarding Interest.** With the exception of interest automatically waived, as identified above, State law prevents the Department from waiving any interest except in the limited circumstances. See N.C. Gen. Stat. § 105-237. As such, if you owe additional tax outside the periods identified above, the Department is required to charge interest on any unpaid tax from the original due date until the tax is paid.