



Year End Tax Reporting 2021 Updates

Understanding Form 1099-DIV:

- A form used by financial institutions to report dividends and other distributions to shareholders and the IRS.

You will not receive Form 1099-DIV if:

- You received payments of dividends aggregating less than \$10 and there was no tax withholding on those payments.
- You have submitted a valid Form W-8 to EQ proving a foreign tax certification status.
- If you are not eligible to receive a 1099DIV, your Q4 statement will have the following messaging:
 1. *Internal Revenue Code §6042 requires tax reporting to each party receiving payments of dividends aggregating \$10 or more during a calendar year. Beginning 2021, if you received payments aggregating less than \$10, except if there is withholding, you will not receive Form 1099-DIV.*
- You will receive Form 1099-DIV if you received payments of dividends aggregating more than \$10 or if there was tax withholding on those payments.

Why am I not receiving a 1099-DIV?

- Internal Revenue Code §6042 requires tax reporting to each US citizen receiving payments classified as a dividend which aggregates to \$10 or more during a calendar year.
- Beginning tax year 2021, if you have received payments aggregating less than \$10 and have no tax withholding, you will not receive Form 1099-DIV.



Can I still request a 1099-DIV or opt in to getting a 1099-DIV?

- No, you can find the sum of your dividends on the last quarterly statement mailed of the year or by accessing your account on shareowneronline.com:
 1. Click “View All Accounts”
 2. Click “View all dividends”

Can I get the information that would have been reported on my 1099-DIV?

- Yes, it will be on your last statement of the year and available online.

Am I still responsible to report my dividend income?

- Yes, it is still to be reported on your tax return even though the Payer of dividend income is not required to furnish a statement to you.

How will I know if I am under the reporting threshold?

- This information will be on your last statement of the year and available online.

Will backup withholding on dividends below the threshold be reported?

- Yes, if there is any withholding on account then the income and withholding will be reported on a 1099-DIV.

Does this affect foreign shareowners?

- No, if you have a valid W-8 on file with EQ you will not receive a 1099-DIV, but will instead receive a 1042-S reporting your tax income disbursed by EQ. The reporting threshold on 1042-S is \$0.50.