

T5007 Tax Slips – Information for Clients

1. What is a T5007 Tax Slip?

- This tax slip (T5007) shows the amount of social assistance benefits paid to you, or on your behalf, during a calendar year. These benefits are not taxable, but must be included when completing your income tax return.
- It includes benefits paid to you from Social Assistance, the Senior's Independence Initiative and the AccessAbility Supports program for items related to basic support, shelter, and transportation assistance. It does not include medical and health benefits, child care subsidy, respite, and some disability-related items.

2. Why was a T5007 Tax Slip issued to me?

- The Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) requires that every Canadian receiving more than \$500 in provincial social assistance payments report the amount **on Line 145** of their tax return.

3. How does a T5007 amount affect my tax return and federal benefits?

- You are not taxed on the amount shown on the T5007 tax slip as this amount is used to calculate the federal tax credits that you might be eligible for and things like the GST credit and Canada Child Benefit.
- Your eligibility for income support programs, such Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) will not be affected by reporting the T5007 amount on your tax return.

4. How is a T5007 amount calculated?

Social Assistance, AccessAbility Supports and Seniors Independence Initiative

- Benefits issued from January 1 to December 31 are included on the T5007 tax slip for this tax year.
- Any repayment of benefits made between January 1 - December 31 are used to reduce the amount reported.
- Most of the amounts you received for basic support, shelter, and transportation assistance are included on the T5007 tax slip.
- NOT INCLUDED: Medical and health supplements, child care subsidy, and some disability-related items.

5. How does a repayment for a previous benefit overpayment affect my T5007 amount?

For Social Assistance & AccessAbility Supports

- Any repayments you make to the Department of Family & Human Services in the tax year should be deducted from the amount on the T5007 tax slip within the same tax year.
- If you, or an agency acting on your behalf, such as Service Canada, made a large repayment in the tax year, it is possible that there no longer are any income assistance payments left for you to report on your tax return.
- Call your local social programs office if you would like to confirm that this is the reason why you did not receive a T5007 tax slip.

6. When is T5007 Tax Slip mailed?

- These are mailed to clients by the end of February.

7. Where is the T5007 Tax Slip mailed to?

- It is mailed to the address on your Social Assistance, Senior's Independence Initiative or AccessAbility Supports file.
- **If your file was closed and you moved after it closed**, your T5007 tax slip might have been sent to your old address.
- **To obtain a reprint** of your T5007 tax slip, **contact your local Social Programs office**.

8. Why did I not a get T5007 Tax Slip in the mail?

- If you received \$500 or less from: Social Assistance, AccessAbility Supports or Senior's Independence Initiative, in a tax year, no tax slip will be issued to you and you are not required to report this on your tax return.
- If your file was closed and you have moved from the last address on your file, your original T5007 tax slip was mailed to the old address.
- If you received more than \$500 in assistance in the tax year, but made a large repayment to the department (or an agency, such as Service Canada, made the repayment on your behalf), there may not be any assistance payments left for you to report on your tax return (see questions 5).

9. What can I do if I did not receive a T5007 Tax Slip but expected to?

- Call your local social services office and request the T5007 information over the phone or ask the office to send a copy of your T5007.
- You do not need to attach an actual T5007 tax slip to your tax return but should keep a copy with your tax records.

10. I think there is a mistake. What can I do?

- Contact your local social services office to request a review of the information shown on your tax slip. An amended T5007 tax slip will be issued to you if a change is required.