

Credit for Prior Year Minimum Tax—Corporations

2019

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Name		Employer identification number
1	Minimum tax credit carryforward from 2018. Enter the amount from line 9 of the 2018 Form 8827 . . .	1
2	Enter the corporation's 2019 regular income tax liability minus allowable tax credits (see instructions)	2
3	Enter the refundable minimum tax credit (see instructions)	3
4	Add lines 2 and 3	4
5a	Enter the smaller of line 1 or line 4. If the corporation had a post-1986 ownership change or has pre-acquisition excess credits, see instructions	5a
b	Current year minimum tax credit. Enter the smaller of line 1 or line 2 here and on Form 1120, Schedule J, Part I, line 5d (or the applicable line of your return). If the corporation had a post-1986 ownership change or has pre-acquisition excess credits, see instructions. If you made an entry on line 3, go to line 5c. Otherwise, skip line 5c	5b
c	Subtract line 5b from line 5a. This is the current year refundable minimum tax credit. Include this amount on Form 1120, Schedule J, Part III, line 20c (or the applicable line of your return)	5c
6	Minimum tax credit carryforward. Subtract line 5a from line 1. Keep a record of this amount to carry forward and use in future years	6

Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

What's New

Refundable minimum tax credit. For tax years beginning in 2018 and 2019, a corporation is allowed an AMT refundable credit amount equal to 50% (100% for tax years beginning in 2019) of the excess minimum tax credit over the corporation's regular tax liability. The corporation can make an election to take 100% of the refundable credit in 2018. If the corporation makes this election, no credit is allowed for 2019. See section 53(e). Also, see the instructions for line 3.

Purpose of Form

Corporations use Form 8827 to figure the minimum tax credit, if any, for AMT incurred in prior tax years, the refundable AMT credit amount, and to figure any minimum tax credit carryforward.

Who Should File

Form 8827 should be filed by corporations that had a minimum tax credit carryover from 2018 to 2019.

Line 2

Enter the corporation's 2019 regular income tax liability, as defined in section 26(b), minus any credits allowed under Chapter 1, Subchapter A, Part IV, subparts B, D, E, and F of the Internal Revenue Code (for example, if filing Form 1120, subtract any credits on Schedule J, Part I, lines 5a through 5c, from the amount on Schedule J, Part I, line 2).

Line 3

The minimum tax credit limitation is increased by the AMT refundable credit amount. If the corporation did not make an election under section 53(e)(5) to take the entire refundable credit amount in 2018, 100% of the available minimum tax credits in excess of the 2019 regular tax liability is refundable for 2019. If the corporation made the election under section 53(e)(5) no refundable credit is allowed for 2019.

If applicable, complete the *Worksheet for Calculating the Refundable Minimum Tax Credit Amount*, later in the instructions. Enter the amount from line 3 of the worksheet on Form 8827, line 3.

Note: A corporation with a short tax year (less than 12 months) must prorate the refundable credit based on the number of days in their tax year. See section 53(e)(4).

Worksheet for Calculating the Refundable Minimum Tax Credit Amount. See instructions. Keep for your records.

1	Minimum tax credit carryforward from 2018. Enter the amount from line 9 of the 2018 Form 8827 . . .	1	
2	Enter the corporation's 2019 regular tax minus allowable credits (see instructions for Form 8827, line 2)	2	
3	Refundable minimum tax credit. Subtract line 2 from line 1. Enter this amount on Form 8827, line 3	3	

Line 5

If the corporation had a post-1986 ownership change (as defined in section 382(g)), there may be a limit on the amount of pre-change minimum tax credits that can be applied against the corporation's tax for any tax year ending after the ownership change. See section 383 and the related regulations. To figure the amount of the pre-change credit, the corporation must allocate the credit for the change year between the pre-change period and the post-change period. The corporation must use the same method of allocation (ratable allocation or closing-of-the-books) for purposes of sections 382 and 383. See Regulations section 1.382-6 for details.

Also, there may be a limit on the use of pre-acquisition excess credits of one corporation to offset the tax attributable to recognized built-in gains of another corporation. See section 384 for details.

If either limit applies, attach a computation of the allowable minimum tax credit, enter the amount on lines 5a and 5b, and write "Sec. 383" or "Sec. 384" on the dotted line to the left of the line 5a and 5b entry spaces.

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If you have comments concerning the accuracy of these time estimates, or suggestions for making this form simpler, we would be happy to hear from you. See the instructions for the tax return with which this form is filed.