

# Charles Schwab CRS Individual Self-Certification Instructions to Account Holder

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**Charles Schwab** is collecting the information in this form to comply with legal requirements based on the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) (2014) Standard for Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information in Tax Matters (referred to as the Common Reporting Standard, or CRS). Capitalized terms not defined below are defined in the CRS.

#### Please note:

- This form is for Individual Account Holders only. If the Account Holder is an entity, please complete the CRS Entity Self-Certification.
- · This form must be signed and dated.
- Complete all parts of this form as directed and provide all information requested.
- If you have any questions regarding the Individual Account Holder's tax residence or how to complete this self-certification, consult your tax advisor.
- The terms Account Holder and TIN are defined below.
- If any information on this form becomes incorrect or incomplete, a new form must be submitted within 30 days of the change.
- Account Holder
  - For a Depository Institution or a Custodial Institution, the term Account Holder means the person listed or identified as the holder of a Financial Account by the Financial Institution that maintains the account. A person, other than a Financial Institution, holding a Financial Account for the benefit or account of another person as agent, custodian, nominee, signatory, investment advisor, or intermediary, is not treated as holding the account. Each account holder of a jointly held account must provide a separate self-certification.
  - For an Investment Entity, the term Account Holder means any investor listed or identified as holding an equity (including a partnership interest or an interest in a trust) or debt interest in the Investment Entity. A person, other than a Financial Institution, holding an equity or debt interest for the benefit or account of another person as agent, custodian, nominee, signatory, investment advisor, or intermediary, is not treated as holding the account.
  - For a Cash Value Insurance Contract or an Annuity Contract, the term Account Holder means any person entitled to access the Cash Value or change the beneficiary of the contract. If no person can access the Cash Value or change the beneficiary, the Account Holder is any person named as the owner in the contract and any person with a vested entitlement to payment under the terms of the contract. Upon the maturity of a Cash Value Insurance Contract or an Annuity Contract, each person entitled to receive a payment under the contract is treated as an Account Holder.
- **TIN** means a Taxpayer Identification Number (or a **functional equivalent**). A **TIN** is a unique combination of letters or numbers assigned by a jurisdiction to an individual or an **Entity** and used to identify the individual or **Entity** for the purposes of administering the tax laws of such jurisdiction. Some jurisdictions do not issue a **TIN**. However, these jurisdictions often utilize some other high integrity number with an equivalent level of identification (a **functional equivalent**).
- To return forms to Charles Schwab, please fax to +1-602-977-4199, or scan and upload as attachment to message sent via the Message Center after account login at the local site listed above, or mail the completed CRS Individual Self-Certification to the following address:

Schwab International Account Solutions, P.O. Box 982601, El Paso, TX 79998-2601, United States of America.

For overnight mail: Schwab International Account Solutions, 1945 Northwestern Dr., El Paso, TX 79912, United States of America

Please call 1-877-686-1937 (inside the U.S.) or +1-415-667-8400 (outside the U.S.) if you have any questions.

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	Account Number – Required (unless new account)										
PART I. Identification of Individual Ad											
1 Family name or surname	2 First or given name		3 Middle name or initial								
4 Current residence address (number, street na	ame, apt)										
Town/City/Province/County/State		Country (Do not abbreviate)		Postal code							
5 Mailing address (number, street name, apt) – complete if different from current residence address above											
Town/City/Province/County/State		Country (Do not abbreviate)		Postal code							
6 Date of birth (MM/DD/YYYY)		7 Place of birth (City and Cou	intry)								

# PART II. Country(ies) of Tax Residence and Taxpayer Identification Number(s) (TIN(s))

8 Complete the following table to indicate:

(i) The country or countries of which the Individual Account Holder is a tax resident; and

(ii) The **TIN** (or a **functional equivalent**) for each country of tax residence.

Do not abbreviate country names. If no TIN is provided, enter reason A, B, or C.

Reason A - The country of which the Individual Account Holder is a tax resident does not issue TINs to its tax residents.

Reason B - The Individual Account Holder is otherwise unable to obtain a TIN or equivalent number.

Reason C - The domestic law of the Individual Account Holder's country of tax residence does not require the collection of the TIN issued by that country.

If the **Individual Account Holder** is a tax resident in more than three countries, attach a separate sheet.

Country of tax residence	TIN	If no <b>TIN</b> is provided, enter Reason A, B, or C					
If Dessen P is selected above, provide the reason the <b>Individual Assount Helder</b> is upphie to obtain a <b>TIN</b> below							

If Reason B is selected above, provide the reason the Individual Account Holder is unable to obtain a TIN below.

Country Name	Reason				

Please proceed to the next page.

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Branch Office and Account Number													Source Code	Index Code
Approved by								Print Name of Approver				er	Date Approved	



## PART III. Declaration and Signature

- 1. I declare that all statements made in this Individual Self-Certification are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, correct, and complete.
- 2. I agree that if there is a change in circumstances that affects the information provided in this Individual Self-Certification or causes the information provided in this Individual Self-Certification to become incorrect or incomplete, the Individual Account Holder will provide a new Individual Self-Certification within 30 days of the change in circumstances.
- 3. I certify that I am the Individual Account Holder identified above, or am authorized to sign for the Individual Account Holder, for all the account(s) to which this form relates.
- 4. I understand that to the extent permitted under law (a) information regarding the Individual Account Holder and the Individual Account Holder's account(s) may be reported to the authorities of the country(ies) where the account(s) are maintained; and (b) those authorities may provide such information to the country(ies) where the Individual Account Holder is a tax resident pursuant to the applicable intergovernmental agreement(s) regarding the exchange of financial account information.

Print Name

Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

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