

2016 Tax Form 1099-R

Distributions from Retirement Plans

Form 1099-R reports both full and partial distributions from your mutual fund retirement plan accounts.

- > If you have more than one retirement plan account with a taxable distribution in Virtus Mutual Funds, you will receive one consolidated Form 1099-R.
- > If you have more than one type of retirement account with us – for example, a traditional IRA and a Roth IRA – separate Forms 1099-R will be produced for distributions from each type of account.

Please note: BNY Mellon Investment Servicing Trust Company provides custodial and administrative services for your Virtus retirement account. We do not report distributions from retirement accounts held by other custodians.

You will receive Form 1099-R if you are taking possession of funds from your retirement plan account, even if you rolled them over and reinvested them in another retirement plan account within 60 days. You will also receive a Form 1099-R if you took your retirement account dividend distributions in cash, but not if they were reinvested into your retirement account. If you took more than one distribution from your retirement account in 2016, the distributions have been aggregated according to the type of distribution as defined by the IRS distribution code.

You will receive a Form 1099-R if you converted your traditional IRA to a Roth IRA in 2016.

You will not receive a Form 1099-R if you arranged to move your IRA account as a trustee-to-trustee transfer of assets directly to another IRA account without taking possession of the funds.

You should have received a year-end statement in January 2017 that reports the value of your account as of December 31, 2016.

Please consult your tax advisor for guidance on reporting the information from Form 1099-R on your tax returns.

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MUTUAL FUNDS

SAMPLE 2016 TAX FORM 1099-R

A → VIRTUS MUTUAL FUNDS P.O. BOX 9874 PROVIDENCE RI 02940-8074					
<input type="checkbox"/> CORRECTED (if checked)					
B → Recipient's Name and Address: 00001 BLK001 ACME TRUST CO CUST IRA FBO JOHN Q PUBLIC 1234 STREET NAME HOMETOWN ST 99999-9999					
For additional information, please call: 1-800-999-9999					
2016 FORM 1099-R Distributions from Pensions, Annuities, Retirement or Profit-Sharing Plans, IRAs, Insurance Contracts, etc. Copy B					
RECIPIENT'S IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ***-**-1111					
<input type="checkbox"/> FATCA Filing Requirement					
D → Payer's Name ACME HIGH INCOME FUND CLASS A		E → Payer's Federal ID Number 09-9999999		F → Fund & Account Number 0514 - 1111111111	
G → 1. Gross Distribution \$1,800.00	H → 2a. Taxable Amount	I → 2b. Taxable Amount Not Determined <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	J → Total Distribution	K → 4. Federal Income Tax Withheld	L → 5. Employee / Designated Roth Contributions
M → 7. Distribution Code(s) 7	N → IRA / SEP / SIMPLE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	O → 10. Amount Allocable to IRR within 5 Years	P → 11. 1st Year of Designated Roth Contribution	Q → 12. State Tax Withheld	R → 13. State / Payer's State Number /

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| <p>A The Fund's mailing address</p> <p>B Account registration and address</p> <p>C Your Taxpayer Identification Number; this information may or may not be masked</p> <p>D The Fund's name</p> <p>E The Fund's Federal Taxpayer Identification Number</p> <p>F Your Fund and account number</p> <p>G Total dollar amount of the distribution(s) from your retirement account in 2016</p> <p>H Taxable amount of your distribution(s)</p> | <p>I An "x" here indicates your Funds are unable to determine the taxable amount of your distribution(s)</p> <p>J An "x" here indicates a total distribution of account assets as of 12/31/2016 (There is no share balance left)</p> <p>K Amount of Federal taxes withheld from the distribution</p> <p>L The portion that is your basis in a designated Roth account</p> <p>M Distribution codes identify the type of distribution(s) you received (A complete list of distribution codes appears on the back of the form)</p> | <p>N Indicates if your account is a Traditional, SEP, or SIMPLE IRA</p> <p>O Amount allocable to IRR within 5 years</p> <p>P The 1st year you made a contribution to the designated Roth account</p> <p>Q Amount of State taxes withheld from the distribution, if applicable</p> <p>R The state and state ID that taxes were paid to</p> <p>S FATCA Filing Requirement The box will not be checked as it does not apply to U.S. based Mutual Funds</p> |
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***The information on your Form 1099-R is reported to the IRS.
 In some cases, a copy of Form 1099-R must be filed with your tax return.***

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS – IRS FORM 1099-R

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- Q.** *Does information on Form 1099-R get reported to the IRS?*
- A.** Yes, tax reporting information is reported to the IRS. Form 1099-R is sent to shareholders by mutual fund companies to provide a record of both full and partial distributions from your mutual fund retirement account.
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- Q.** *What software does Virtus Mutual Funds use for downloading account specific tax information?*
- A.** Shareholders of Virtus Mutual Funds may be able to use TurboTax® for importing your 1099-R Retirement account tax information. Please visit the tax center at Virtus.com for important information and instructions on how to import your tax related data into TurboTax.
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- Q.** *I converted my Traditional IRA to a Roth IRA. Why am I receiving a tax form?*
- A.** When you convert from a Traditional IRA to a Roth IRA it is reportable to the IRS as a distribution. Please consult your tax advisor for additional information.
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- Q.** *How do I know how much of my distribution is taxable on my 1099-R if there is no amount in box 2a?*
- A.** If box 2a is blank and Box 2b has been checked “Taxable amount not determined,” you will need to determine the taxable portion. Tax laws have permitted IRAs to hold nondeductible contributions since January 1987. Nondeductible contributions are made using income which has already been taxed and for which no deduction has been taken. Please consult your tax advisor for assistance.
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- Q.** *Why did I receive a 1099-R when I rolled my IRA distribution into another IRA within the 60-day period allowed by the IRS?*
- A.** We are required to send Form 1099-R when a distribution from your IRA was a direct payment to you. All distributions to you are reported as either premature or normal, depending on your age. It is up to you to show that you deposited the money into an allowable product within the 60-day time period. A Form 5498 will be sent from the receiving company. Starting after January 1, 2015, you can make only one rollover from an IRA to another IRA in any 12 month period, regardless of the number of IRA’s you own.
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- Q.** *Does Virtus have a tax advisor or anyone who can help me fill out my return?*
- A.** Our telephone representatives will be happy to help you with any questions and information about your accounts; however, we cannot provide tax advice. For assistance in filling out your return, you should contact your tax advisor.
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