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## January

15 Provide/Confirm prior year census data

Deadline: Sending Form 1099-R to participants who received distributions during previous year\*

# **February**

15 Review/Approve compliance testing results

Deadline: Filing Form 1099-R on paper with IRS to report distributions made in previous year. Deadline for electronic filing is March 31\*

## **April**

Deadline: Beginning date for participants attaining age 72 or retiring after age 72 in prior year to take first required minimum distribution (RMD) under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 401(a)(9)\*

Deadline: Processing corrective distributions for IRC Section 402(g) of excess deferrals

Deadline: Filing individual and corporation tax returns

**Deadline: Contribution deadline for deductibility** for self-employed individuals (without extension)

**Deadline: Requesting automatic extension** to October 15 for individual and corporate tax returns

#### March

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Deadline: ADP/ACP test corrective distributions to avoid 10% excise tax

**Note:** A special deadline may apply to plans that satisfy the requirements of an eligible automatic contribution arrangement (EACA). See "June"

**Deadline: Filing partnership tax returns** and contribution deadline for deductibility (without extension) for companies operating on calendar-year fiscal year

**Deadline: Requesting automatic extension** to September 15 for partnership tax returns

**Deadline: Electronic filing of Form 1099-R** to report distributions made in previous year

## May

#### June

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**Deadline: Processing corrective distributions** for failed ADP/ACP
test from plan with EACA without
10% excise tax (if applicable)

**Deadline: Showing Lifetime Income Illustrations** on quarterly statements for hypothetical monthly payouts



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<sup>\*</sup> The deadlines in this calendar are for plans with calendar-year plan years. If the filing deadline falls on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, the DOL provides that filing dates are delayed until the next business day. This calendar is intended to provide plan sponsors with a list of notable deadlines and is not a substitute for consultation with ERISA counsel and in no way represents legal advice.

## July

Deadline: Sending Summary of Material
Modification (SMM) (210 days after end of plan
year in which the amendment was adopted)

31 **Deadline: Filing Form 5500** (without extension)

**Deadline: Filing Form 5558 to request automatic extension** of time to file Form 5500 (to October 15)

**Deadline: Filing Form 5330**—Return of Excise Taxes Related to Employee Benefit Plans—used to report and pay excise taxes on prohibited transactions and excess 401(k) plan contributions that occurred in prior year

# **August**

# September

15 Extended deadline: Filing tax returns for partnerships

Extended deadline: Contribution deadline for deductibility for calendaryear partnerships and S-corporations

30 Deadline: Distributing Summary
Annual Report (SAR) to participants,
unless deadline for Form 5500 was
extended, then two months after due
date for Form 5500 (December 15)

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#### October

15 Extended deadline: Filing Form 5500

Extended deadline: Individual and/ or corporate tax returns and final contribution deadline for deductibility

**Deadline: Adopting a retroactive amendment** to correct an IRC Section 410(b) coverage or IRC Section 401(a)(4) nondiscrimination failure

### November

#### December

Deadline: Sending annual 401(k)
and safe harbor match notice

**Deadline: Sending annual QDIA**, qualified default investment alternative notice

Deadline: Sending annual automatic contribution arrangement notice (ACA)

For administrative ease, a combined notice may be provided for the above notices

15 Extended deadline: Distributing SAR to participants

Deadline: Processing corrective distributions for failed ADP/ACP test with 10% excise tax

**Deadline: Correcting a failed ADP/ACP test** with qualified nonelective contributions (QNECs)

Deadline: Converting existing 401(k) plan to safe harbor nonelective design for current plan year

Deadline: Amendment to remove or convert to safe harbor status for next plan year

Deadline: Amending plan for discretionary changes implemented during plan year (certain exceptions apply)

**Deadline: RMDs due** under IRC Section 401(a)(9)

## Reminder: Required fee disclosures

Plan Sponsor

**Initial disclosure:** Required within a reasonable period before the contract is entered into or renewed

**Annual disclosure:** Required following changes in investment information

**Additional disclosures:** Required no later than 60 days after the effective date of the change for changes in compensation or services provided

articipant

**Initial disclosure:** Required on or before the date when participants can first direct investments

**Annual disclosure:** Required to be updated and distributed at least annually

**Additional disclosures:** Required at least 30 days, but no more than 90 days, prior to certain plan changes







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