

## **Hurricane Ian Victims in Florida and Carolinas Qualify for Tax Relief**

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) recently announced that Hurricane Ian victims throughout [Florida](#), [North Carolina](#) and [South Carolina](#) now have until February 15, 2023, to file various federal individual and business tax returns and make tax payments.

The IRS is offering relief to any area designated by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). This means that individuals and households that reside or have a business anywhere in the Carolinas or Florida qualify for tax relief. The current list of eligible localities is always available on the [disaster relief](#) page on IRS.gov.

The tax relief postpones various tax filing and payment deadlines that occurred starting on September 23, 2022. As a result, affected individuals and businesses will have until February 15, 2023, to file returns and pay any taxes that were originally due during this period.

This means individuals who had a valid extension to file their 2021 return due to run out on October 17, 2022, will now have until February 15, 2023, to file. The IRS noted, however, that because tax payments related to these 2021 returns were due on April 18, 2022, those payments are not eligible for this relief.

## **OSHA Hurricane Recovery Resources**

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) is reminding first responders, those involved in rescue and recovery efforts, and residents in areas affected by Hurricane Ian to be vigilant and protect themselves from the many hazards that flooding, power loss, structural damage, fallen trees and storm debris may create.

OSHA has an [Emergency Preparedness and Response](#) webpage that provides information to protect workers responding to [hurricanes](#) and [floods](#).

OSHA also has a [Disaster Recovery Assistance page](#) that provides resources to assist with recovery efforts, including an alert on [keeping workers safe during flood cleanup](#). Individuals involved in response and recovery efforts may call OSHA's toll-free hotline at 800-321-OSHA (6742).