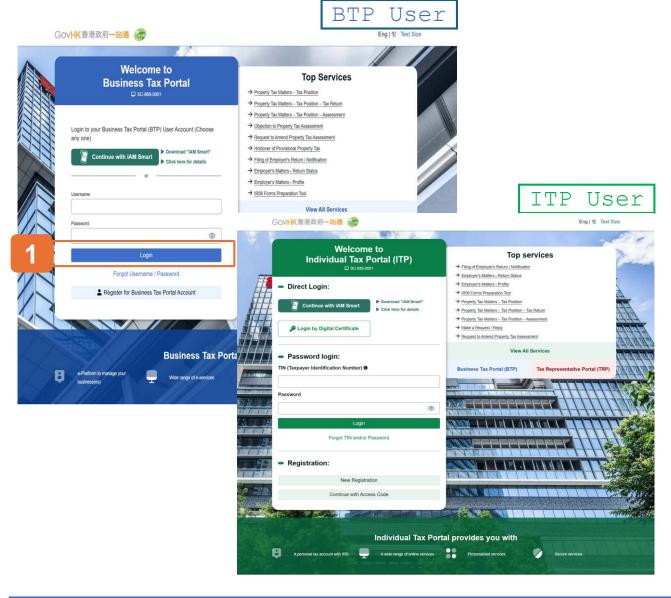


Employer's e-Filing:
Filing Employer's Return or
Notifications via "Mixed Mode"



Getting Started

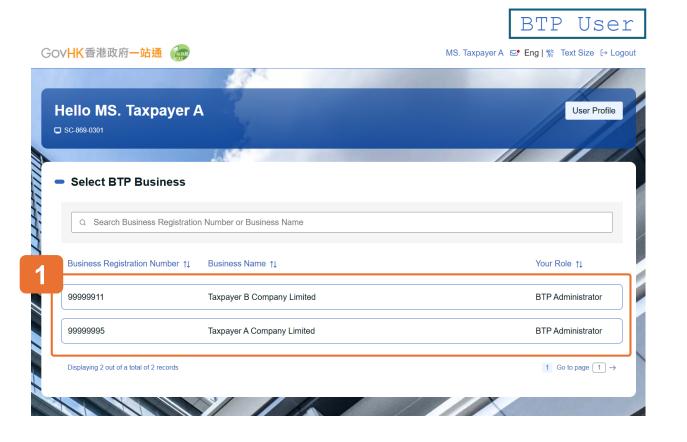
This document will guide BTP / ITP user how to upload IR56 Form data file via "Mixed Mode".

Employer's e-Filing services can be accessed via Business Tax Portal (BTP) or Individual Tax Portal (ITP).

Under BTP, you have to select the business in respect of which you wish to upload the IR56 Form data file here.

Under ITP, business selection will be made later.

To get started, please login the relevant account under BTP or ITP.

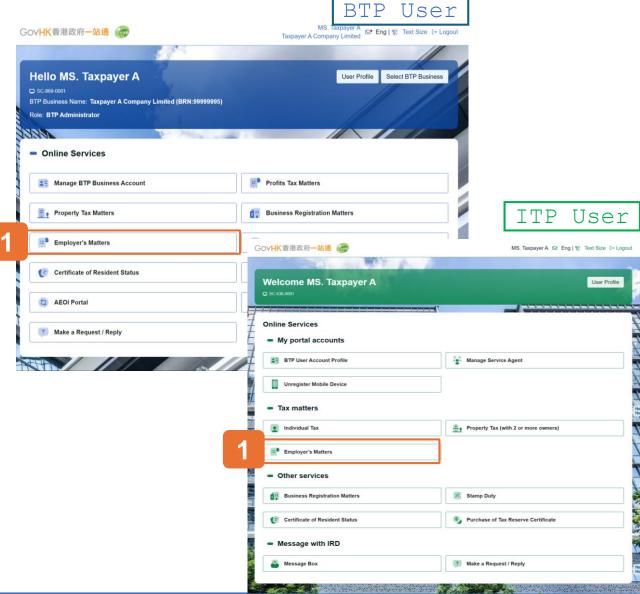


Select BTP Business

If you log in the BTP User Account, you will find this screen.

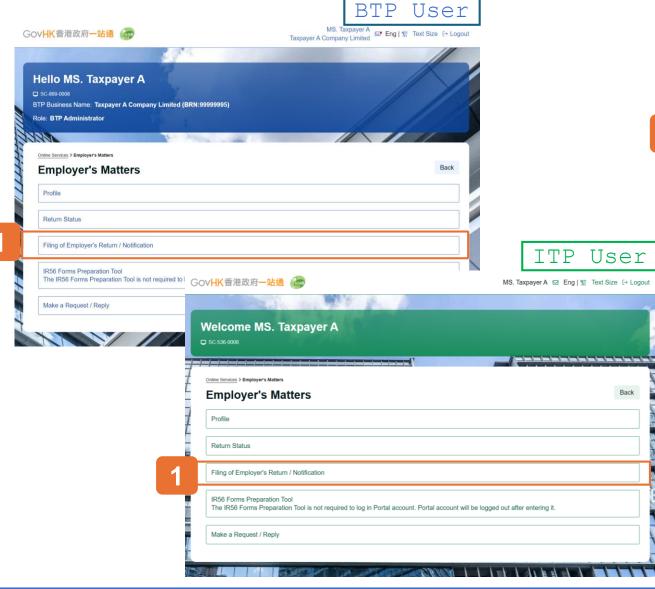
After login, BTP users are required to select, from the list of business(es) you are authorized to work for, the business in respect of which you wish to upload the IR56 form data file before being directed to the Online Services menu. ITP users will be directed to the Online Services menu and are required to select the business to work for later.

Select the business.



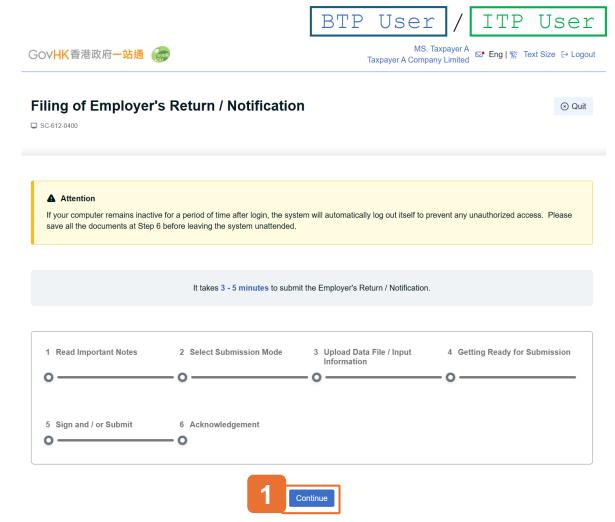
Online Services Menu

1 From the Online Services menu, select "Employer's Matters".



Employer's Services Menu

From the Employer's Matters menu, select "Filing of Employer's Return / Notification".

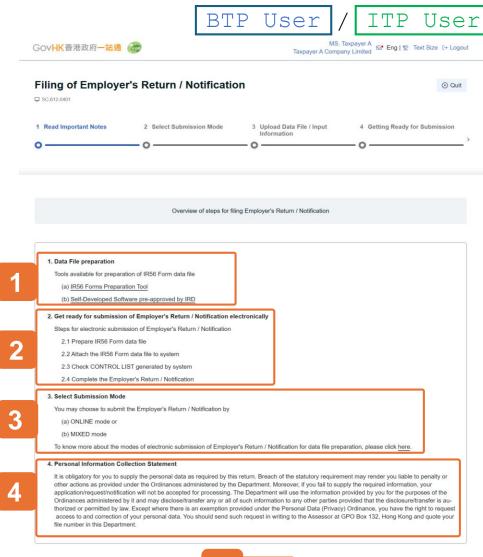


Filing of Employer's Return / Notification

There are a total of 6 steps to file an Employer's Return or Notification electronically. For security reasons, the system will automatically log out if it remains inactive for a period for time.

Please save the documents generated by the system at step 6, including the Control List and Acknowledgement.

1 Click "Continue" when you are ready to file the Employer's Return or Notification.



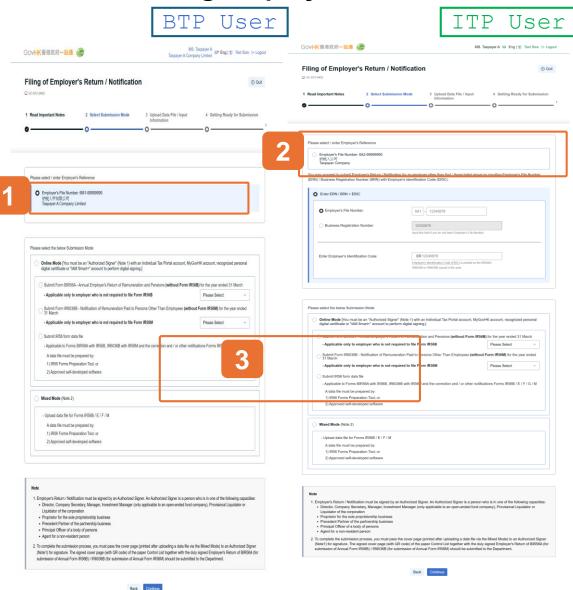
Step 1 : Read Important Notes

The system would first introduce you to:

- the tools for preparing IR56 Form data file which are acceptable for Employer's e-Filing services;
- steps for e-Filing of Employer's Return;
- the modes of e-Filing you may choose; and
- the Personal Information Collection Statement.

If you are already familiar with them, you may skip the introduction by clicking "Continue" to start filing of Employer's Return/Notifications.

Click "Continue".



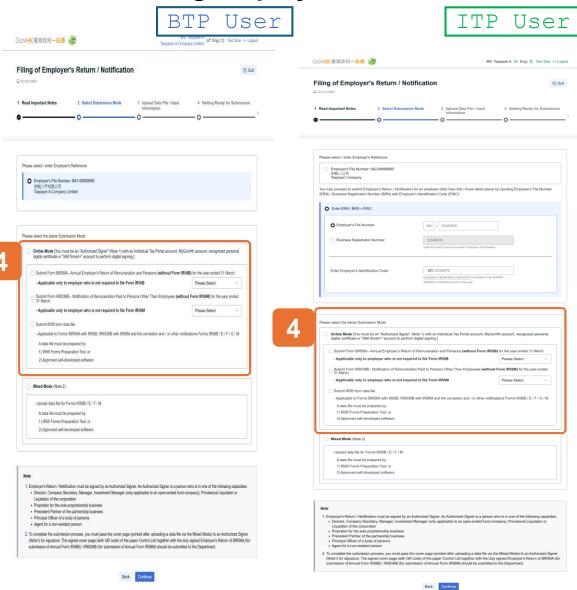
Step 2 : Select Submission Mode

BTP user may now start to upload the IR56 Form data file for the business you have selected before.

If you wish to upload the IR56 Form data file for other business, you are required to go back to the screen before online menu to select the business to work for.

Under ITP, user may upload the IR56 Form data file for owned sole-proprietorship business or any business with known Employer's File Number and Employer Identification Code (ERIC).

- To upload the IR56 Form data file for owned soleproprietorship business, choose the business to work for from the list of sole proprietor business owned.
- To upload the IR56 Form data file for other business, input the subject business's Employer File Number and Employer's Identification Code (ERIC) here.



Step 2 : Select Submission Mode

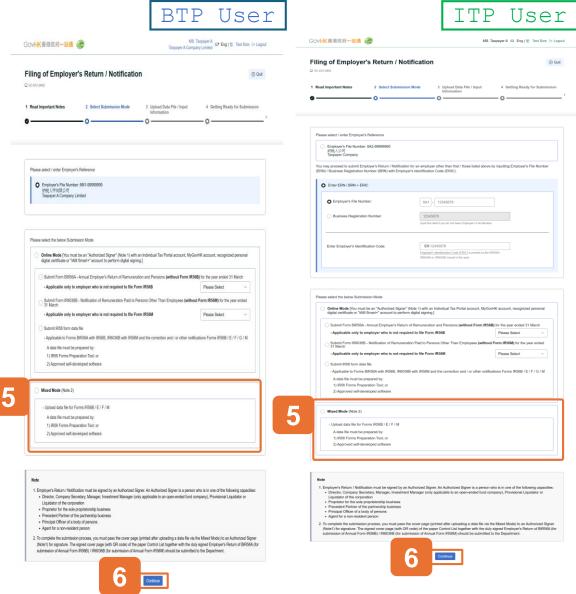
Next, you are required to decide the submission mode, i.e. Online Mode or Mixed Mode.

If you are an Authorized Signer of the business, Online Mode allows you to submit all IR56 Form data file(s) together with BIR56A or IR6036B, if applicable, at one go.









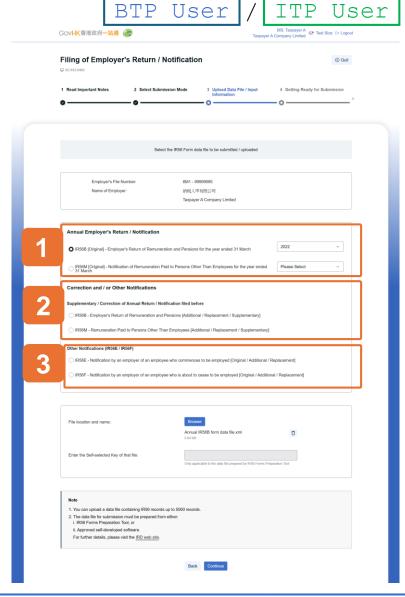
Step 2 : Select Submission Mode

Get the IR56 Form data file to be uploaded ready and select the bullet "Mixed Mode".

Under Mixed Mode, you may upload IR56 Form data file prepared by the IR56 Form Preparation Tool or a software approved by the IRD.

You can upload IR56 Form data file for Form IR56B/E/F/M and generate Control List for print out and submission offline. Please note that Form IR56G data file can only be submitted via Online Mode.

6 Click "Continue" to proceed uploading data file via Mixed Mode.

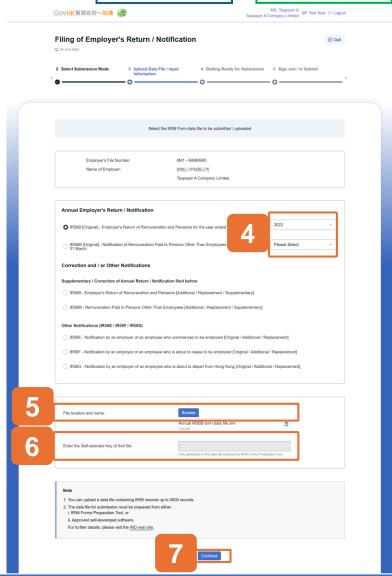


Step 3 : Upload Data File / Input Information

In this screen, you have to state the types of IR56 Forms to be submitted, and whether you are filing:

- original Form IR56B/M with covering BIR56A or IR6036B, or
- supplementary/correction Form IR56B/M without covering, or
- other employer's notifications Forms IR56E/F/G.

ITP User



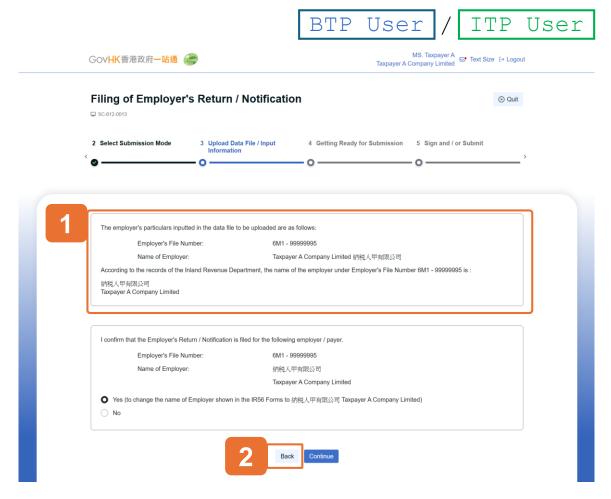
BTP User

Step 3: Upload Data File / Input Information

Select the appropriate type of IR56 Form data file to be attached. If covering BIR56A or IR6036B is required, you are required to select the year involved from the pull down menu.

Only the IR56 form data file generated by a software approved by the IRD or prepared by the IR56 Form Preparation Tool provided by the IRD are acceptable and you can only upload one data file each time.

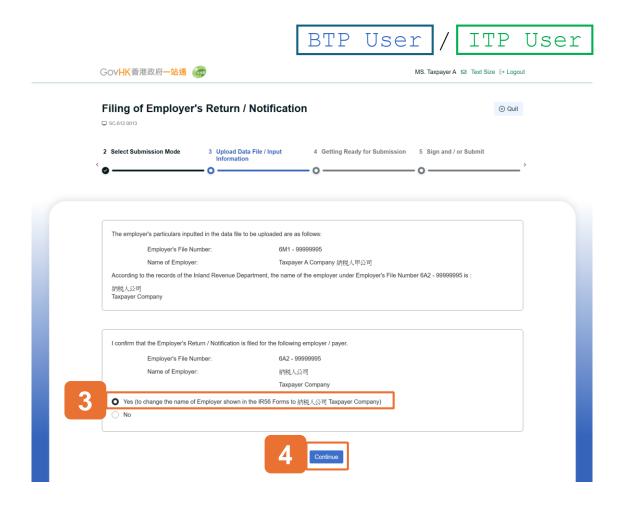
- Click "Browse" to locate the IR56 Form data file to be uploaded.
- If you are uploading IR56 Form data file prepared by IR56 Forms Preparation Tool, you are required to input the "Self-selected Key" to open the file before uploading.
- After selection, click "Continue" to proceed uploading the data file.



Step 3: Upload Data File / Input Information

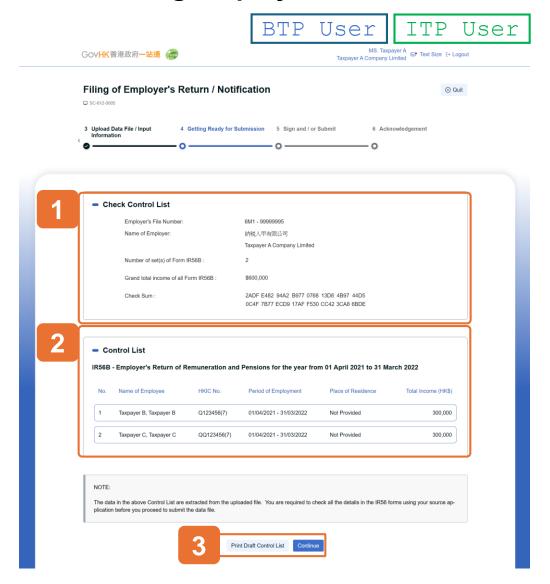
- The name of the business is retrieved from IRD's database according to the selected business or inputted employer's information in the previous screen. Please check whether the employer's information is correct and whether you are uploading the IR56 Form data file (if applicable) for this employer.
- If amendment is required, click the "Back" buttons to go back to the previous screens to make the required corrections.

If you found that the name of the business recorded in the IRD's database is not correct, you should contact IRD by calling 187 8022 or via the "Make a Request / Reply" online service.



Step 3 : Upload Data File / Input Information

- If everything is in order, please select "Yes".
- 4 Click "Continue" to proceed.



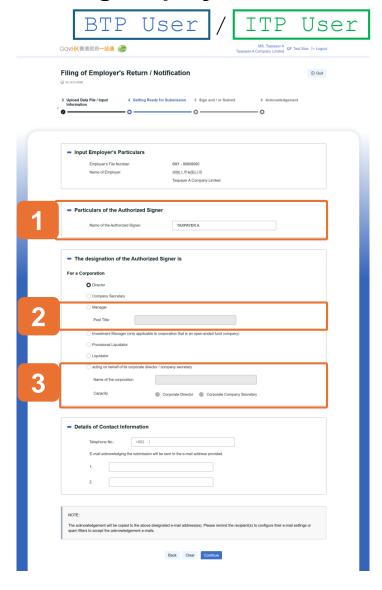
Step 4 : Getting Ready for Submission

If the uploading of the data file is successful, you will see this screen, which give you a preview to the draft Control List of the data file to be generated.

- The "Check Control List" box displays the business in respect of which you are doing the Employer's filing, the number of IR56 Form records uploaded and the total remuneration reported.
- The "Control List" box displays the details of IR56 Form records stored in the uploaded file.
- You may print a draft Control List for checking.

 Click "Continue" if all the information displayed is correct.

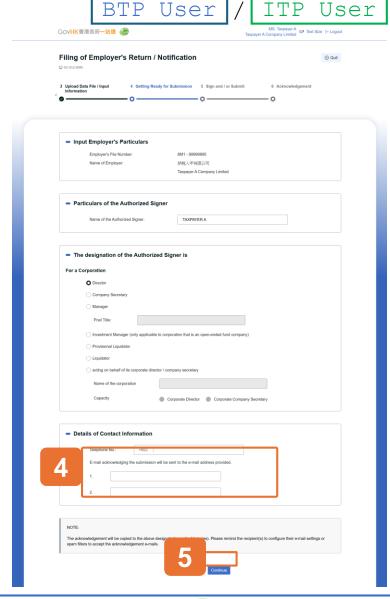




Step 4 : Getting Ready for Submission

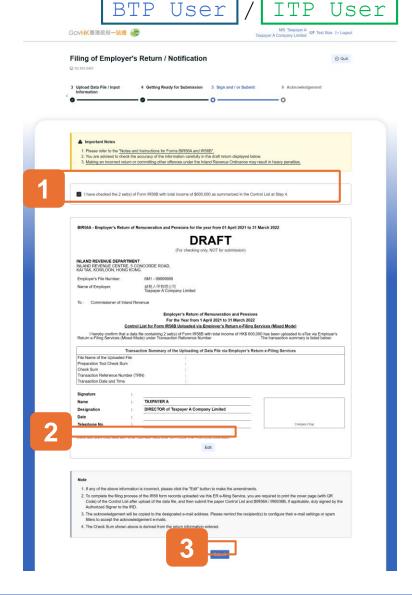
For the purposes of generating the cover page of Control List to be submitted to the IRD in paper form (for annual submission, it must be submitted together with the paper BIR56A or IR6036B), you are required to confirm the name and input the designation of the Authorized Signer of the IR56 Forms, who should also sign on all paper forms to be delivered to the IRD.

- Check whether the name displayed is correct.
- State the capacity in which the Authorized Signer signed the Employer's Return/Notification on behalf of the Employer.
- If he/she is acting on behalf of a corporate director/company secretary, you are required to provide the name of the incorporated entity involved and confirm whether it is a corporate director or corporate company secretary of the Employer.



Step 4 : Getting Ready for Submission

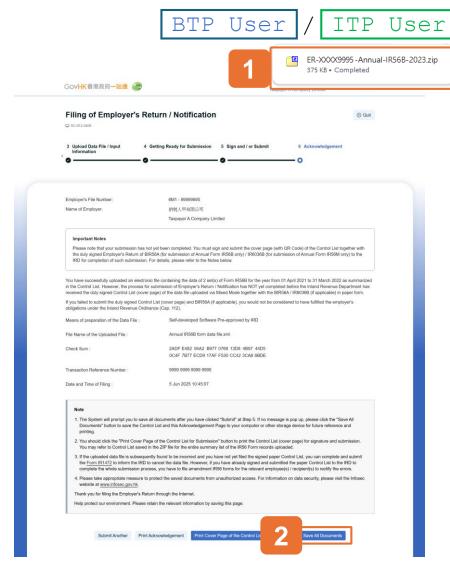
- If you wish to receive an acknowledgement email for your submission, please input the email address here.
- Click "Continue" to proceed to the next step.



Step 5 : Sign and / or Submit

The system will display the draft cover page of Control List to be filed in paper form for preview. Please check carefully to ensure the contents are correct before clicking "Submit".

- Click this box if the number of IR56 Form shown is correct.
- The Check Sum is derived from the information you entered in the return.
- If everything is in order, click "Submit" to proceed.



Step 6 : Acknowledgement

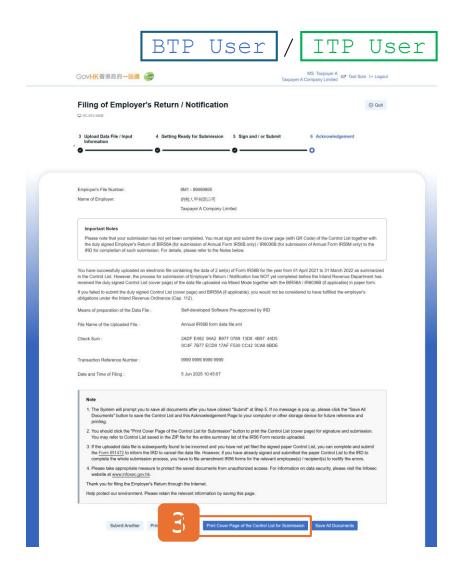
After successful uploading the data file, the system will display an "Acknowledgement" page and the cover page of Control List (with a QR Code and Transaction Reference Number) will be generated by the system with a summary of the IR56 forms in the data file.

You will also find a pop-up showing a zip file which contains the Control List and Acknowledgement Page automatically downloaded to the default download folder on your computer.

If you are using the Windows, the default download folder is usually located in C: \ Users \ Your User Name \ Downloads. You can copy the zip file to your desired location and delete it from the default download folder if needed.

If there is no such pop-up, you can save these records by clicking "Save All Documents".





Step 6 : Acknowledgement

The system will also generate a Control List (with a QR Code and Transaction Reference Number) together with a summary of the IR56 forms in the data file. You should print the Control List and submit it to the Department. If it is for annual submission, the Control List should be submitted together with the covering form (BIR56A or IR6036B).

Click "Print Cover Page of the Control List for Submission" to print the Control List for Submission.

The mere uploading of the IR56 Form data file does not complete the submission of the IR56 forms and will not be considered as fulfilling the employer's obligations under the Inland Revenue Ordinance until the paper Control List and BIR56A/IR6036B (applicable for annual filing) is/are duly received by the IRD.



INLAND REVENUE DEPARTMENT INLAND REVENUE CENTRE, 5 CONCORDE ROAD, KAI TAK, KOWLOON, HONG KONG

Employer's File Number: 6M1-99999995

Name of Employer: 納税人甲有限公司 Taxpayer A Company Limited



Cover Page

To: Commissioner of Inland Revenue

Employer's Return of Remuneration and Pensions For the Year from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022

Control List for Form IR56B Uploaded via Employer's Return e-Filing Services (Mixed Mode)

I hereby confirm that a data file containing the data of 2 set(s) of Form IR56B with total income of HK\$ 600,000 has been uploaded to eTAX via Employer's Return e-Filing Services (Mixed Mode) under Transaction Reference Number 9999 9999 9999 9999 . The transaction summary is listed below

Transaction Summary of the Uploading of Data File via Employer's Return e-Filing Services			
File Name of the Uploaded File	: Annual IR56B form data file.xml		
Preparation Tool Check Sum	: Not Applicable		
Check Sum	: 2ADF E482 94A2 B977 0768 13D8 4B97 44D5		
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ransaction Date and Time	: 05 Jun 2025 10:45:07		

Signature		
Name	TAXPAYER A	
Designation	DIRECTOR of Taxpayer A Company Limited	
Date		
Telephone No.		Company Chop

- (1) To complete the submission process of the Employer's Return via the Employer's Return e-Filing Services (Mixed Mode), you are
- required to sign and submit the Form BIR56A/IR6036B together with the cover page (with QR Code) of the Control List to the Department. (2) The Form BIR56A/IR6036B and Control List must be signed by the Proprietor for a sole proprietorship business / Precedent Partner for a partnership business / Company Secretary, Manager, Director, Investment Manager, Provisional Liquidator or Liquidator for a comporation / Principal Officer for a body of persons / Agent for a non-resident person.
- (3) Please check the details of the cases listed in the Control List. If the information is in order, please sign on this page of the Control List with QR code. You are not required to send in hard copies of the remaining pages and Forms IR56.
- (4) If the Form BIR56A/IR6036B and Control List are not signed and submitted to the Department, the mere uploading of the data file containing Form IR56 records via the Employer's Return e-Filing Services (Mixed Mode) will not be regarded as having complied with the employer's obligations as stipulated in the Inland Revenue Ordinance.

TRN- 9999 9999 9999 9999

Sample of Control List

Here is the sample of the cover page of Control List saved in the 7IP file.

The paper cover page of Control List and BIR56A/IR6036B (applicable for annual submission only) must be signed by the same Authorized Signer showed in the IR56 Form records.





BTP User / ITP User

Employer's File Number: 6M1-99999995 Name of Employer: 納稅人甲有限公司

Taxpayer A Company Limited

Important Notes:

Please note that your submission has not yet been completed. You must sign and submit the cover page (with QR Code) of the Control List together with the duly signed Employer's Return of BIR56A (for submission of Annual Form IR56B only) / IR6036B (for submission of Annual Form IR56M only) to the IRD for completion of such submission. For details, please refer to the Notes below.

You have successfully uploaded an electronic file containing the data of 2 set(s) of Form IR56B for the year from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022 as summarized in the Control List. However, the process for submission of Employer's Return/Notification has NOT yet completed before the Inland Revenue Department has received the duly signed Control List (cover page) of the data file uploaded via Mixed Mode together with the BIR56A/IR6036B (if applicable) in paper form.

If you failed to submit the duly signed Control List (cover page) and BIR56A/IR6036B (if applicable), you would not be considered to have fulfilled the employer's obligations under the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112).

Means of preparation of the Data File: Self-developed Software Pre-approved by IRD

File Name of the Uploaded File: Annual IR56B form data file.xml

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Transaction Reference Number (TRN): 9999 9999 9999 9999

Date and Time of Filing: 05 Jun 2025 10:45:07

Notes

The System will prompt you to save all documents after you have clicked "Submit" at Step 5. If no message is pop up, please click the "Save All Documents" button to save the Control List and this Acknowledgement Page to your computer or other storage device for future reference and printing.

You should click the "Print Cover Page of the Control List for Submission" button to print the Control List (cover page) for signature and submission. You may refer to Control List saved in the ZIP file for the entire summary list of the IR56 Form records uploaded.

Sample of e-Acknowledgment

Here is the sample of the e-Acknowledgment saved in the ZIP file.



Inland Revenue Department

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China

