

**Fill in this information to identify your case:**

Debtor 1 \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name Middle Name Last Name

Debtor 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
(Spouse, if filing) First Name Middle Name Last Name

United States Bankruptcy Court for the: \_\_\_\_\_ District of \_\_\_\_\_  
(State)

Case number \_\_\_\_\_  
(if known)

**Check one only as directed in lines 40 or 42:**

According to the calculations required by this Statement:

1. There is no presumption of abuse.
2. There is a presumption of abuse.
- Check if this is an amended filing

**Official Form 22A-2**

**Chapter 7 Means Test Calculation**

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To fill out this form, you will need your completed copy of Form 22A-1: *Chapter 7 Statement of Your Current Monthly Income (Official Form 22A-1)*.

Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for being accurate. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. Include the line number to which the additional information applies. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known).

**Part 1: Determine Your Adjusted Income**

1. Copy your total current monthly income ..... Copy line 14 from Official Form 22A-1 here → 1. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2. Did you fill out Column B in Part 3 of Official Form 22A-1?

- No. Fill in \$0 on line 3d.
- Yes. Is your spouse filing with you?
- No. Go to line 3.
- Yes. Fill in \$0 on line 3d.

3. Adjust your current monthly income by subtracting any part of your spouse's income not used to pay for the household expenses of you or your dependents. Follow these steps:

On line 14, Column B of Form 22A-1, was any amount of the income you reported for your spouse NOT regularly used for the household expenses of you or your dependents?

- No. Fill in 0 on line 3d.
- Yes. Fill in the information below:

State each purpose for which the income was used <small>For example, the income is used to pay your spouse's tax debt or to support people other than you or your dependents</small>	Fill in the amount you are subtracting from your spouse's income
3a. _____	\$ _____
3b. _____	\$ _____
3c. _____	+\$ _____
3d. <b>Total.</b> Add lines 3a, 3b, and 3c. ....	\$ _____

Copy total here → 3d. -\$ \_\_\_\_\_

4. Adjust your current monthly income. Subtract line 3d from line 1. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Part 2: Calculate Your Deductions from Your Income

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) issues National and Local Standards for certain expense amounts. Use these amounts to answer the questions in lines 5-14. To find the IRS standards, either go to http://www.justice.gov/ust/eo/bapcpa/meanstesting.htm or ask for help at the clerk's office of the bankruptcy court.

Deduct the expense amounts set out in lines 6-15 regardless of your actual expense. In later parts of the form, you will use some of your actual expenses if they are higher than the standards. Do not deduct any amounts that you subtracted from your spouse's income in line 3 and do not deduct any operating expenses that you subtracted from income in lines 8 and 9 of Form 22A-1.

If your expenses differ from month to month, enter the average expense.

Whenever this part of the form refers to you, it means both you and your spouse if Column B of Form 22A-1 is filled in.

5. The number of people used in determining your deductions from income

Fill in the number of people who could be claimed as exemptions on your federal income tax return, plus the number of any additional dependents whom you support. This number may be different from the number of people in your household.

[Empty box for line 5]

National Standards You must use the IRS National Standards to answer the questions in lines 6-7.

6. Food, clothing, and other items: Using the number of people you entered in line 5 and the IRS National Standards, fill in the dollar amount for food, clothing, and other items.

\$ [Empty box for line 6]

7. Out-of-pocket health care allowance: Using the number of people you entered in line 5 and the IRS National Standards, fill in the dollar amount for out-of-pocket health care. The number of people is split into two categories — people who are under 65 and people who are 65 or older — because older people have a higher IRS allowance for health care costs. If your actual expenses are higher than this IRS amount, you may deduct the additional amount on line 22.

People who are under 65 years of age

7a. Out-of-pocket health care allowance per person

\$ [Empty box for line 7a]

7b. Number of people who are under 65

X [Empty box for line 7b]

7c. Subtotal. Multiply line 7a by line 7b.

\$ [Empty box for line 7c]

Copy line 7c here ->

\$ [Empty box for line 7c copy]

People who are 65 years of age or older

7d. Out-of-pocket health care allowance per person

\$ [Empty box for line 7d]

7e. Number of people who are 65 or older

X [Empty box for line 7e]

7f. Subtotal. Multiply line 7d by line 7e.

\$ [Empty box for line 7f]

Copy line 7f here ->

+ \$ [Empty box for line 7f copy]

7g. Total. Add lines 7c and 7f.

\$ [Empty box for line 7g]

Copy total here ->

\$ [Empty box for line 7g total]

**Local Standards** You must use the IRS Local Standards to answer the questions in lines 8-15.

Based on information from the IRS, the U.S. Trustee Program has divided the IRS Local Standard for housing for bankruptcy purposes into two parts:

- Housing and utilities – Insurance and operating expenses
- Housing and utilities – Mortgage or rent expenses

Use the U.S. Trustee Program chart to answer the questions in lines 8-9. Go to <http://www.justice.gov/ust/eo/bapcpa/meanstesting.htm> or ask for help at the clerk's office of the bankruptcy court.

8. **Housing and utilities – Insurance and operating expenses:** Using the number of people you entered in line 5, fill in the dollar amount listed for your county for insurance and operating expenses.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

9. **Housing and utilities – Mortgage or rent expenses:**

9a. Using the number of people you entered in line 5, fill in the dollar amount listed for your county for mortgage or rent expenses.

9a. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

9b. Total average monthly payment for all mortgages and other debts secured by your home.

To calculate the total average monthly payment, add all amounts that are contractually due to each secured creditor in the 60 months after you file for bankruptcy. Then divide by 60.

Name of the creditor	Does payment include taxes or insurance?	Average monthly payment
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	\$ _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	_____
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	\$ _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	_____
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	+ \$ _____
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	_____

9b. Total average monthly payment

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Copy line 9b here →

– \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Repeat this amount on line 33a.

9c. Net mortgage or rent expense.

Subtract line 9b (total average monthly payment) from line 9a (mortgage or rent expense). If this amount is less than \$0, enter \$0.

9c. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Copy line 9c here →

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

10. If you claim that the U.S. Trustee Program's division of the IRS Local Standard for housing does not accurately compute the amount that applies to you, fill in any additional amount you claim.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Explain why:

\_\_\_\_\_

11. **Local transportation expenses:** Check the number of vehicles for which you claim an ownership or operating expense.

- 0. Go to line 14.
- 1. Go to line 12.
- 2 or more. Go to line 12.

12. **Vehicle operation expense:** Using the IRS Local Standards and the number of vehicles for which you claim the operating expenses, fill in the *Operating Costs* that apply for your Census region or metropolitan statistical area.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

13. Vehicle ownership or lease expense: Using the IRS Local Standards, calculate the net ownership or lease expense for each vehicle below. You may not claim the expense if you do not make any loan or lease payments on the vehicle. In addition, you may not claim the expense for more than two vehicles.

Vehicle 1 Describe Vehicle 1:

13a. Ownership or leasing costs using IRS Local Standard 13a. \$

13b. Average monthly payment for all debts secured by Vehicle 1. Do not include installment payments for leased vehicles. To calculate the average monthly payment here and on line 13e, add all amounts that are contractually due to each secured creditor in the 60 months after you file for bankruptcy. Then divide by 60.

Table with 2 columns: Name of each creditor for Vehicle 1, Average monthly payment

Copy 13b here - \$

Repeat this amount on line 33b.

13c. Net Vehicle 1 ownership or lease expense Subtract line 13b from line 13a. If this amount is less than \$0, enter \$0. 13c. \$

Copy net Vehicle 1 expense here - \$

Vehicle 2 Describe Vehicle 2:

13d. Ownership or leasing costs using IRS Local Standard 13d. \$

13e. Average monthly payment for all debts secured by Vehicle 2. Do not include costs for leased vehicles.

Table with 2 columns: Name of each creditor for Vehicle 2, Average monthly payment

Copy here - \$

Repeat this amount on line 33c.

13f. Net Vehicle 2 ownership or lease expense Subtract line 13e from 13d. If this amount is less than \$0, enter \$0. 13f. \$

Copy net Vehicle 2 expense here - \$

14. Public transportation expense: If you claimed 0 vehicles in line 11, using the IRS Local Standards, fill in the Public Transportation expense allowance regardless of whether you use public transportation. \$

15. Additional public transportation expense: If you claimed 1 or more vehicles in line 11 and if you claim that you may also deduct a public transportation expense, you may fill in what you believe is the appropriate expense, but you may not claim more than the IRS Local Standard for Public Transportation. \$

**Other Necessary Expenses**

In addition to the expense deductions listed above, you are allowed your monthly expenses for the following IRS categories.

16. **Taxes:** The total monthly amount that you will actually owe for federal, state and local taxes, such as income taxes, self-employment taxes, social security taxes, and Medicare taxes. You may include the monthly amount withheld from your pay for these taxes. However, if you expect to receive a tax refund, you must divide the expected refund by 12 and subtract that number from the total monthly amount that is withheld to pay for taxes.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do not include real estate, sales, or use taxes.

17. **Involuntary deductions:** The total monthly payroll deductions that your job requires, such as retirement contributions, union dues, and uniform costs.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do not include amounts that are not required by your job, such as voluntary 401(k) contributions or payroll savings.

18. **Life insurance:** The total monthly premiums that you pay for your term life insurance.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do not include premiums for insurance on your dependents, for whole life, or for any other form of life insurance.

19. **Court-ordered payments:** The total monthly amount that you pay as required by the order of a court or administrative agency, such as spousal or child support payments.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do not include payments on past due obligations for spousal or child support. You will list these obligations in line 35.

20. **Education:** The total monthly amount that you pay for education that is either required:

- as a condition for your job, or
- for your physically or mentally challenged dependent child if no public education is available for similar services.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

21. **Childcare:** The total monthly amount that you pay for childcare, such as babysitting, daycare, nursery, and preschool.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do not include payments for any elementary or secondary school education.

22. **Additional health care expenses, excluding insurance costs:** The monthly amount that you pay for health care that is required for the health and welfare of you or your dependents and that is not reimbursed by insurance or paid by a health savings account. Include only the amount that is more than the total entered in line 7.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payments for health insurance or health savings accounts should be listed only in line 25.

23. **Telecommunication services:** The total monthly amount that you pay for telecommunication services, such as pagers, call waiting, caller identification, special long distance, business internet service, and business cell phone service, to the extent necessary for your health and welfare or that of your dependents or for the production of income, if it is not reimbursed by your employer.

+ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do not include payments for basic home telephone, internet and cell phone service. Do not include self-employment expenses, such as those reported on line 8 of *Official Form 22A-1*, or any amount you previously deducted.

24. **Add all of the expenses allowed under the IRS expense allowances.**

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Add lines 16 through 23.

**Additional Expense Deductions**

These are additional deductions allowed by the Means Test.  
Note: Do not include any expense allowances listed in lines 6-24.

25. **Health insurance, disability insurance, and health savings account expenses.** The monthly expenses for health insurance, disability insurance, and health savings accounts that are reasonably necessary for yourself, your spouse, or your dependents.

Health insurance	\$ _____
Disability insurance	\$ _____
Health savings account	+ \$ _____
Total	\$ _____

Copy total here → ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Do you actually spend this total amount?

No. How much do you actually spend? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Yes

26. **Continued contributions to the care of household or family members.** The actual monthly expenses that you will continue to pay for the reasonable and necessary care and support of an elderly, chronically ill, or disabled member of your household or member of your immediate family who is unable to pay for such expenses.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

27. **Protection against family violence.** The reasonably necessary monthly expenses that you incur to maintain the safety of you and your family under the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act or other federal laws that apply.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

By law, the court must keep the nature of these expenses confidential.

28. **Additional home energy costs.** Your home energy costs are included in your non-mortgage housing and utilities allowance on line 8.

If you believe that you have home energy costs that are more than the home energy costs included in the non-mortgage housing and utilities allowance, then fill in the excess amount of home energy costs.

You must give your case trustee documentation of your actual expenses, and you must show that the additional amount claimed is reasonable and necessary.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

29. **Education expenses for dependent children who are younger than 18.** The monthly expenses (not more than \$147\* per child) that you pay for your dependent children who are younger than 18 years old to attend a private or public elementary or secondary school.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

You must give your case trustee documentation of your actual expenses, and you must explain why the amount claimed is reasonable and necessary and not already accounted for in lines 6-23.

\* Subject to adjustment on 4/01/13, and every 3 years after that for cases begun on or after the date of adjustment.

30. **Additional food and clothing expense.** The monthly amount by which your actual food and clothing expenses are higher than the combined food and clothing allowances in the IRS National Standards. That amount cannot be more than 5% of the food and clothing allowances in the IRS National Standards.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

To find the maximum additional allowance, either go to <http://www.justice.gov/ust/eo/bapcpa/meanstesting.htm> or ask for help at the clerk's office of the bankruptcy court.

You must show that the additional amount claimed is reasonable and necessary.

31. **Continuing charitable contributions.** The amount that you will continue to contribute in the form of cash or financial instruments to a religious or charitable organization. 11 U.S.C. § 548(d)(3) and (4).

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

32. **Add all of the additional expense deductions.**

Add lines 25 through 31.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Deductions for Debt Payment**

33. For debts that are secured by an interest in property that you own, including home mortgages, vehicle loans, and other secured debt, fill in lines 33a through 33g.

To calculate the total average monthly payment, add all amounts that are contractually due to each secured creditor in the 60 months after you file for bankruptcy. Then divide by 60.

**Average monthly payment**

**Mortgages on your home**

33a. Copy line 9b here ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Loans on your first two vehicles**

33b. Copy line 13b here. .... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

33c. Copy line 13e here. .... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of each creditor for other secured debt	Identify property that secures the debt	Does payment include taxes or insurance?	
33d.		<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	\$ _____
33e.		<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	\$ _____
33f.		<input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes	+ \$ _____
33g. Total average monthly payment. Add lines 33a through 33f.....			\$ _____

Copy total here → \$ \_\_\_\_\_

34. Are any debts that you listed in line 33 secured by your primary residence, a vehicle, or other property necessary for your support or the support of your dependents?

- No. Go to line 35.
- Yes. State any amount that you must pay to a creditor, in addition to the payments listed in line 34, to keep possession of your property (called the *cure amount*). Next, divide by 60 and fill in the information below.

Name of the creditor	Identify property that secures the debt	Total cure amount	Monthly cure amount
		\$ _____ ÷ 60 =	\$ _____
		\$ _____ ÷ 60 =	\$ _____
		\$ _____ ÷ 60 =	+ \$ _____
Total			\$ _____

Copy total here → \$ \_\_\_\_\_

35. Do you owe any priority claims — such as a priority tax, child support, or alimony — that are past due as of the filing date of your bankruptcy case? 11 U.S.C. § 507

- No. Go to line 36.
Yes. Fill in the total amount of all of these priority claims. Do not include current or ongoing priority claims, such as those you listed in line 19.

Total amount of all past-due priority claims.

Form with input fields for total amount and a calculation box: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ÷ 60 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

36. Are you eligible to file a case under Chapter 13? 11 U.S.C. § 109(e). For more information, go to www.uscourts.gov/FederalCourts/Bankruptcy/BankruptcyBasics/Chapter13.aspx

- No. Go to line 37.
Yes. Fill in the following information.

Projected monthly plan payment if you were filing under Chapter 13

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current multiplier for your district as determined under schedules issued by the Executive Office for United States Trustees. To find this information, go to http://www.justice.gov/ust/eo/bapcpa/meanstesting.htm or ask for help at the clerk's office of the bankruptcy court.

X \_\_\_\_\_

Average monthly administrative expense if you were filing under Chapter 13

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Copy total here ->

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

37. Add all of the deductions for debt payment. Add lines 33g through 36.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Deductions from Income

38. Add all of the allowed deductions.

Copy line 24, All of the expenses allowed under IRS expense allowances.....

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Copy line 32, All of the additional expense deductions.....

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Copy line 37, All of the deductions for debt payment.....

+ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total deductions

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Copy total here ->

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Part 3: Determine Whether There Is a Presumption of Abuse

39. Calculate monthly disposable income for 60 months

39a. Copy line 4, adjusted current monthly income.....

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

39b. Copy line 38, Total deductions.....

-\$ \_\_\_\_\_

39c. Monthly disposable income 11 U.S.C. § 707(b)(2) Subtract line 39b from line 39a.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Copy line 39c here ->

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

For the next 60 months (5 years)

x 60

39d. Total. Multiply line 39c by 60..... 39d.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Copy line 39d here ->

\$ \_\_\_\_\_



40. Find out whether there is a presumption of abuse. Check the box that applies:

- The line 39d is less than \$7,025\*. On the top of page 1 of this form, check box 1, There is no presumption of abuse. Go to Part 5.
- The line 39d is more than \$11,725\*. On the top of page 1 of this form, check box 2, There is a presumption of abuse. You may fill out Part 4 if you claim special circumstances. Then go to Part 5.
- The line 39d is at least \$7,025\*, but not more than \$11,725\*. Go to line 42.

\* Subject to adjustment on 4/01/13, and every 3 years after that for cases filed on or after the date of adjustment.

41. 41a. Fill in the amount of your total nonpriority unsecured debt. If you filled out the Statistical Summary of Certain Liabilities and Related Data (Official Form 6), you may refer to line 5 at the bottom of that form.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

41b. 25% of your total nonpriority unsecured debt. 11 U.S.C. § 707(b)(2)(A)(i)(I) Multiply line 41a by 0.25.

x .25  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Copy here →

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

42. Determine whether the income you have left over after subtracting all allowed deductions is enough to pay 25% of your unsecured, nonpriority debt.

Check the box that applies:

- Line 39d is less than line 41b. On the top of page 1 of this form, check box 1, There is no presumption of abuse. Go to Part 5.
- Line 39d is equal to or more than line 41b. On the top of page 1 of this form, check box 2, There is a presumption of abuse. You may fill out Part 4 if you claim special circumstances. Then go to Part 5.

43. Do you have any special circumstances that justify additional expenses or adjustments of current monthly income for which there is no reasonable alternative? 11 U.S.C. § 707(b)(2)(B)

- No. Go to Part 5.
- Yes. Fill in the following information. All figures should reflect your average monthly expense or income adjustment for each item. You may include expenses you listed in line 25.

You must give a detailed explanation of the special circumstances that make the expenses or income adjustments necessary and reasonable. You must also give your case trustee documentation of your actual expenses or income adjustments.

Give a detailed explanation of the special circumstances Average monthly expense or income adjustment

Give a detailed explanation of the special circumstances	Average monthly expense or income adjustment
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

By signing here, I declare under penalty of perjury that the information on this statement and in any attachments is true and correct.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Debtor 1

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Debtor 2

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
MM / DD / YYYY

Date \_\_\_\_\_  
MM / DD / YYYY

## Instructions for the Chapter 7 Statement of Your Current Monthly Income and Means Test Calculation

### How to fill out these forms

Official Forms 22A-1 and 22A-2 determine whether your income and expenses create a presumption of abuse that may prevent you from obtaining relief from your debts under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code. Chapter 7 relief can be denied to a person who has primarily consumer debts if the court finds that the person has enough income to repay creditors a portion of their claims set out in the Bankruptcy Code.

You must file 22A-1, the *Chapter 7 Statement of Your Current Monthly Income* (Official Form 22A-1) if you are an individual filing for bankruptcy under chapter 7. This form will determine your current monthly income and compare whether your income is more than the median income for households of the same size in your state. If your income is not above the median, there is no presumption of abuse and you will not have to fill out the second form.

If your income is above the median, you must file the second form, 22A-2, *Chapter 7 Means Test Calculation* (Official Form 22A-2). The calculations on this form—sometimes called the *Means Test*—reduce your income by living expenses and payment of certain debts, resulting in an amount available to pay other debts. If this amount is high enough, it will give rise to a *presumption of abuse*. A presumption of abuse does not mean you are actually trying to abuse the bankruptcy system. Rather, the presumption simply means that you may have enough income that you should not be granted relief under chapter 7. You may overcome the presumption by showing special circumstances that reduce your income or increase your expenses.

If you cannot obtain relief under chapter 7, you may be eligible to continue under another chapter of the Bankruptcy Code and pay creditors over a period of time.

Read each question carefully. You may not be required to answer every question on this form. For example, your military status may determine whether you must fill out the entire form. The instructions will alert you if you may skip questions.

If you have nothing to report for a line, write \$0.

Some of the questions require you to go to other sources for information. In those cases, the form has instructions for where to find the information you need.

If you and your spouse are filing together, you and your spouse may file a single statement. However, if an exclusion in Parts 1 or 2 applies to either of you, separate statements may be required. 11 U.S.C. § 707(b)(2)(C).

### Understand the terms used in the form

This form uses *you* and *Debtor 1* to refer to a debtor filing alone. A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint case*—and in joint cases, this form uses *you* to ask for information from both debtors. When information is needed about the spouses separately, the form uses *Debtor 1* and *Debtor 2* to distinguish between them. In joint cases, one of the spouses must report information as *Debtor 1* and the other as *Debtor 2*. The same person must be *Debtor 1* in all of the forms.

### Things to remember when filling out these forms

- Be as complete and accurate as possible.
- If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known).
- If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information.

**Do not file these instructions with your bankruptcy filing package. Keep them for your records.**