

Instructions to accompany the 2023 Maine Individual Income Tax 1040ME Form and Schedules 1A, 1S, 2, A, CP, PTFC, WKSHT SCHA 2-D barcode specifications.

Check Boxes are coded as "Data Type" Numerical "N" with a blank being coded as a zero "0" and a check being coded as a one "1".  
 No special characters can be in the 2D barcode. That includes decimals, commas, spaces or dashes (other than for negative values).  
 Grid locations given pertain location on the form indicated in the "Grid Location" column.  
 Special requirements for certain fields are provided in "Value" column.  
 More complete guidance is provided in the 2-D Barcode Guidelines available on the SES FTA.

2-D Bar Code location is on Page 1 of the 1040 form grid location 34-31 to 45-80.

Updated 10/19/2023

**Multiple changes have been made to the 2023-1040ME 2D Barcode. Shown highlighted in yellow.**

2-D Field No	FIELD NAME	Data Type	Size	Req'd Field	VALUE	Source Form and Special Requirements
1	HEADER VER NUMBER	AN	2	Y	T1	NACTP/FTA STANDARD
2	VENDOR_CDE	N	4	Y	NACTP/FTA Assigned	Of vendor creating 2D barcode
3	SOFTWARE_VER	AN	2	Y		Vendor provided
4	VENDOR_CDE_ME	N	2	Y		Substitute Form Vendor Code Assigned by Maine Revenue Services
5	STATE_CDE	A	2	Y	ME	USPS Codes
6	FORM_YR_NUMBER	N	4	Y	2023	
7	FORM_CDE	AN	7	Y	1040L23	Individual Income Tax Return 1040ME This must be advanced with each revision and form needs to be retested and approved to allow processing.
8	FORM_VERS_NUM	AN	2	Y		
9	TP_START	N	8	Y	MMDDYYYY	Form 1040ME Pg1. Default 01012023
10	TP_END	N	8	Y	MMDDYYYY	Form 1040ME Pg1. Default 12312023
11	AMENDED	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
12	ENITY_ID	N	9	Y		Form 1040ME Pg1.
13	SSN_SPOUSE	N	9			Form 1040ME Pg1.
14	FIRST_NAME	A	15			Form 1040ME Pg1.
15	MI	A	1			Form 1040ME Pg1.
16	NAME	AN	20	Y		Form 1040ME Pg1.
17	SP_FIRST_NAME	A	15			Form 1040ME Pg1.
18	SP_INITIAL	A	1			Form 1040ME Pg1.
19	SP_LAST_NAME	AN	20			Form 1040ME Pg1.
20	ADDRESS_1	AN	30	Y		Form 1040ME Pg1.
21	CITY	AN	20	Y		Form 1040ME Pg1.
22	STATE	A	2	Y		Form 1040ME Pg1. If non-USA use "XX". Form 1040ME Pg1. If non-USA then put foreign postal in this field & Line 31. Field cannot be null.
23	ZIP	AN	10	Y		Form 1040ME Pg1. If non-USA then put foreign postal in this field & Line 31. Field cannot be null.
24	COUNTRY	A	3	Y		Refer to 2-D Barcode Guidelines for authorized abbreviations
25	H_AREA_CODE	N	3			Form 1040ME Pg1.
26	HOME_PHONE	N	7			Form 1040ME Pg1.
27	W_AREA_CODE	N	3			Form 1040ME Pg1.
28	WORK_PHONE	N	7			Form 1040ME Pg1.
29	COUNTRY_NAME	A	15			Form 1040ME Pg1.
30	FOREIGN_STATE	A	2			Form 1040ME Pg1.
31	FOREIGN_POSTAL	AN	10			Form 1040ME Pg1. If this field has data then USA Zip (Line 23) needs to also hold the same value.
32	MPTFC_CKBX	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
33	LINE_1a	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
34	LINE_1b	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
35	LINE_2	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
36	LINE_3	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
37	LINE_4	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
38	LINE_5	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
39	LINE_6	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
40	LINE_7	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
41	YR_SP_DIED	N	4		YYYY	Form 1040ME Pg1.
42	LINE_8	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
43	LINE_8a	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
44	LINE_9	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
45	LINE_10	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
46	LINE_11	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
47	LINE_11a	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
48	LINE_11 FILING NRH	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
49	LINE_12a	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
50	LINE_12b	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
51	LINE_12c	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
52	LINE_12d	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
53	LINE_13	N	1		0 or 1 or 2	Form 1040ME Pg1.
54	LINE_13a	N	2			Form 1040ME Pg1.
55	LINE_14	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg1.
56	LINE_15A	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg1.
57	LINE_15B	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg1.
58	LINE_16	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg1.
59	STANDARD	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
60	ITEMIZED	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg1.
61	LINE_17	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg1.
62	LINE_18	N	7			Form 1040ME Pg1.
63	LINE_19	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2.
64	LINE_20	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2.
65	LINE_20a	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2.
66	LINE_21	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2.
67	LINE_22	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2.
68	LINE_23	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2.
69	LINE_24	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2.
70	LINE_25a	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2.

Changed Year  
 Changed Form CDE

Updated Year On Dates

Removed Composite CKBX  
 Removed Partnership CKBX

71	LINE_25b	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
72	LINE_25c	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
73	LINE_25d	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
74	LINE_25e	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
75	LINE_25f	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
76	LINE_26	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
77	LINE_27	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
78	LINE_28	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
79	LINE_29	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
80	LINE_30	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
81	LINE_30a	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
82	LINE_31	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
83	LINE_32	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
84	LINE_33a	N	8			Form 1040ME Pg2	
85	LINE_33b	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg2	
86	ACCOUNT_OUTSIDE_US	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg2	
87	LINE_33c	N	9			Form 1040ME Pg2	
88	LINE_33d	N	17			Form 1040ME Pg2	
89	CHECKING	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg2	
90	SAVINGS	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg2	
91	LINE_34a	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg3	
92	LINE_34b1	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg3	
93	LINE_34b2	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg3	
94	LINE_34c	N	11			Form 1040ME Pg3	
95	TAXPAYER_DECEASED	N	8		MMDDYYYY	Form 1040ME Pg3	
96	SPOUSE_DECEASED	N	8		MMDDYYYY	Form 1040ME Pg3	
97	LINE_35A	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg3	Added New Line
98	LINE_35B	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg3	Added New Line
99	LINE_35C	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg3	Added New Line
100	LINE_35D	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg3	Added New Line
101	LINE_35E1	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg3	Added New Line
102	LINE_35E2	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg3	Added New Line
103	LINE_35E3	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg3	Added New Line
104	DISCUSS_3RD_PARTY_Y	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg3	
105	PREPARER_SSN_OR_PTIN	AN	9			Form 1040ME Pg3	
106	PP	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg3	
107	IS	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Pg3	
108	FORM_CDE	AN	8	Y	SCHED_1A	INCOME ADDITIONS	
109	LINE_1	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
110	LINE_2	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
111	LINE_3	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
112	LINE_4	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
113	LINE_5	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
114	LINE_6	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
115	LINE_7	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
116	LINE_8	N	13			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
117	LINE_9	N	13			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
118	LINE_10	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
119	LINE_11	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
120	LINE_12	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1A	
121	FORM_CDE	AN	8	Y	SCHED_1S	INCOME SUBTRACTIONS	
122	LINE_1	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
123	LINE_2	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
124	LINE_3	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
125	LINE_4	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
126	LINE_4CKBOX	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
127	LINE_5	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
128	LINE_6	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
129	LINE_7	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
130	LINE_8	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
131	LINE_9	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
132	LINE_10	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
133	LINE_11	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
134	LINE_12	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
135	LINE_13	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
136	LINE_14	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
137	LINE_15	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
138	LINE_16	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
139	LINE_17	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
140	LINE_18	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
141	LINE_19	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
142	LINE_20	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
143	LINE_21	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
144	LINE_22	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 1	
145	LINE_23	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 2	
146	LINE_24	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 2	
147	LINE_25	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 2	
148	LINE_26	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 2	
149	LINE_27	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 1S Pg 2	
150	FORM_CDE	AN	7	Y	SCHED_2	ITEMIZED DEDUCTIONS	Removed Lines 28 & 29
151	LINE_1	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 2	
152	LINE_2a	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 2	
153	LINE_2b	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 2	
154	LINE_2c	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 2	
155	LINE_2d	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 2	
156	LINE_3a	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 2	
157	LINE_3b	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 2	
158	LINE_3c	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 2	
159	LINE_4	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 2	

160	LINE_5	N	7	Y	33200	Form 1040ME Schedule 2	Updated Max Item
161	LINE_6	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule 2	
162	LINE_7	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule 2	
163	FORM_CDE	AN	7	Y	SCHED A	ADJUSTMENTS TO TAX	
164	LINE_1	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
165	LINE_2	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
166	LINE_3	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
167	LINE_4	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
168	LINE_5	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
169	LINE_6	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
170	LINE_7	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
171	LINE_8	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
172	LINE_9	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
173	LINE_10	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
174	LINE_11	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
175	LINE_12	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
176	LINE_13	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
177	LINE_14	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
178	LINE_15	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
179	LINE_16	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
180	LINE_17	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
181	LINE_18	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
182	LINE_19	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
183	LINE_20	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
184	LINE_21	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
185	LINE_22	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
186	LINE_23	N	11			Form 1040ME Schedule A	
187	FORM_CDE	AN	8	Y	SCHED CP	VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS and PARK PASSES	
188	LINE_1	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
189	LINE_2	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
190	LINE_3	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
191	LINE_4	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
192	LINE_5	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
193	LINE_6	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
194	LINE_7	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
195	LINE_8	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
196	LINE_9	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
197	IDV_PK_PASSES	N	2			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
198	LINE_10	N	5			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
199	VEH_PK_PASSES	N	2			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
200	LINE_11	N	5			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
201	LINE_12	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule CP	
202	FORM_CDE	AN	10	Y	SCHED_PTFC	PROPERTY TAX FAIRNESS CREDIT	
203	DOB	N	8		MMDDYYYY	Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
204	SP DOB	N	8		MMDDYYYY	Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
205	LINE_1a	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
206	LINE_1b	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
207	LINE_1c	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
208	LINE_1d	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
209	LINE_1e	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
210	LINE_2a	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
211	LINE_2b	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
212	LINE_2c	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
213	LINE_2d	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
214	LINE_3	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 1.	
215	LINE_4	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
216	LINE_5a	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
217	LINE_5b	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
218	LINE_5c	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
219	LINE_5d	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
220	LINE_5e	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
221	LINE_6	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
222	LINE_7	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
223	LINE_8	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
224	LINE_9	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
225	LINE_9a	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
226	LINE_10	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
227	LINE_11	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
228	LINE_11a	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
229	LINE_12	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
230	LINE_13	N	1	Y	0 or 1	Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	Now A CheckBox
231	LINE_13a	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	
232	LINE_14	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	Added New Line
233	LINE_15	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	Added New Line
234	LINE_16	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	Added New Line
235	LINE_16a	N	7			Form 1040ME Schedule PTFC Pg 2.	Added New Line
236	FORM_CDE	AN	10	Y	WKSHT_SCHA	OTHER TAX CREDITS	
237	LINE_1	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
238	LINE_2	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
239	LINE_3	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
240	LINE_4	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
241	LINE_5	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
242	LINE_6	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
243	LINE_7	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
244	LINE_8	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
245	LINE_9	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
246	LINE_10	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
247	LINE_11	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
248	LINE_12	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	

249	LINE_13	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
250	LINE_14	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	
251	LINE_15	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule A	Removed Line 16
252	FORM_CDE	AN	14	Y	WKSHT SCH1SSUB	INCOME SUBTRACTIONS - OTHER SUBTRACTIONS	
253	LINE_1	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule 1S Subtractions	
254	LINE_2	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule 1S Subtractions	
255	LINE_3	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule 1S Subtractions	
256	LINE_4	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule 1S Subtractions	
257	LINE_5	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule 1S Subtractions	Added New Line
258	LINE_6	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule 1S Subtractions	Added New Line
259	LINE_7	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule 1S Subtractions	Added New Line
260	LINE_8	N	13			Form 1040ME Worksheet Schedule 1S Subtractions	Added New Line
261	END_OF_FILE	A	5	Y	*EOD*	FTA STANDARD	