2021 Iowa Alternate Tax Worksheet

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You may owe less tax by completing the worksheet below. All filing statuses except filing status 1, Single, may qualify for the alternate tax computation. Single taxpayers may be eligible for the Iowa income tax reduction; see Iowa Income Tax Reduction Worksheet. A Net Operating Loss carryover must be added back to net income, IA 1040, line 26.

Special instructions for filing status 3, Married Filing Separately on a Combined Return, and filing status 4, Married Filing Separate Returns:

• The combined net incomes of both spouses must be used.

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- The alternate tax between spouses must be prorated in the ratio of the net income of each spouse to the combined net income of both spouses using lines 7-11.
- If you are married filing separately and one spouse has a net operating loss that will be carried back or forward, then you cannot use the alternate tax computation. If the spouse with the net operating loss elects not to carry the net operating loss back or forward, then you can use the alternate tax computation. A statement must be included with the return saying that the spouse with the net operating loss will not carry it back or forward.
- If you are filing status 4 and do not provide the other spouse's income on the IA 1040, step 2, you will not be allowed the alternate tax calculation.

1.	Enter:		B. Spouse		A. You or J	oint	
	a.	Net income from IA 1040, line 26a					
	b.	Pension/retirement income exclusion from IA 1040, line 21b.					
	C.	Line 13 of the Reportable Social Security benefits worksheet found in					
		the IA 1040 instructionsc				<u></u>	
	d.	Lump Sum distributions of taxable income reported on federal					
		form 4972, line 8d					
	e.	Add a, b, c, and de					
	Tot	tal of columns A and B, line e		1.			
2.	Ent	ter \$13,500 (\$32,000 if you or your spouse was 65 or older on 12/31/21)		2.			
3.	Inc	ome subject to alternate tax calculation. Subtract line 2 from line 1		3.			
4.	Mu	Itiply line 3 by 8.53% (.0853)		4.			
5.	Using the tax tables, determine the tax on the taxable income from IA 1040, line 38.						
	(Status 3 and 4 filers: Calculate tax separately and combine the amounts)5.						
6.	Compare the amounts on line 4 and line 5. Enter the smaller amount. If using filing statuses						
	2, 5, or 6 also enter on IA 1040, line 39. If using filing status 3 or 4 and line 4 is less than						
	line 5, continue to line 7. If using filing status 3 or 4 and line 5 is less than line 4 then						
	ent	ter each spouse's tax from the tax tables on IA 1040, line 39		6.			
			B. Spouse		A. You		
7.	Net	t income of both spouses from line 1e above		7a.			
8.	Tot	tal adjusted lowa net income, add lines 7a and 7b		8.			
9.	Div	ride the amount on line 7a by the amount on line 8. Round to the nearest tenth	of a percent	9.		%	
10.	Mu	Multiply line 6 by the percentage on line 9. Enter here and on IA 1040, line 39,					
	column A (You) 10						
11.	Subtract line 10 from line 6. Enter here and on IA 1040, line 39, column B. If you are						
	using filing status 4, enter this amount on line 39, column A of your spouse's return(Spouse) 11						