

PROSPER TAX HELP

When one spouse is not present...

	What is the scenario?	Documentation required	How to Assist the Taxpayer
1)	The taxpayer has Power of Attorney for their spouse, who is alive but not present.	Form 2848 or a Power of Attorney that must include authorization over financial matters including taxes. IDs and proof of SSN for both spouses (and proof of SSNs for any dependents).	Refer to Policy & Preparation: Power of Attorney and When Is It a Paper Return? on CTC Resources.
2)	The taxpayer's spouse is not present due to disease or injury.	Spousal Consent, signed by both spouses unless spouse has Power of Attorney. (See above.) IDs and proof of SSN for both spouses (and proof of SSNs for any dependents).	Return must be Paper. Refer to When Is It a Paper Return? on CTC Resources.
3)	The taxpayer's spouse is incarcerated.	Spousal Consent, signed by both spouses unless spouse has Power of Attorney. (See above.) IDs and proof of SSN for both spouses (and proof of SSNs for any dependents).	Refer to Policy & Preparation: Incarcerated Spouse and When Is It a Paper Return? on CTC Resources.
4)	The taxpayer's spouse is continually absent from the United States.	Spousal Consent, signed by both spouses unless spouse has Power of Attorney. (See above.) Or IDs and proof of SSN for both spouses (and proof of SSNs for any dependents).	Return must be Paper. Refer to When Is It a Paper Return? on CTC Resources. If spouse is a Nonresident Alien, refer to Policy & Preparation: Taxpayers with Nonresident Alien Spouses on CTC Resources.
5)	The taxpayer's spouse is serving in a combat zone.	On-site spouse must sign Serving in a Combat Zone Attestation on CTC Resources. IDs and proof of SSN for both spouses (and proof of SSNs for any dependents).	Refer to Policy & Preparation: MFJ with Spouse Serving in Combat Zone and When Is It a Paper Return? on CTC Resources.