Statement of Economic Interests – Form 700 Filing

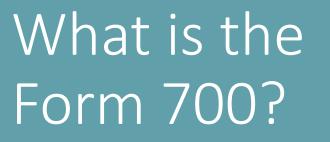
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Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC), State of California

In 1974, CA voters passed the Political Reform Act which included the creation of the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC)

Interchange of Phrases (Form 700 vs. State of Economic Interest)



Tool used by public officials and public employees to disclose their financial interests

Statement of Economic Interest is a public document, must be made available to anyone upon request

Reminds officials of possible conflicts in daily work

Who Needs to Complete a Form 700?

- Designated Employees (or Code Filers) – individuals who make or participate in making governmental decisions
- 87200 Filers (high level officials, elected officials)
- Board Members, Alternates, Designees, and Ex-Officio Members
- Consultants
- Candidates



Conflict of Interest Code

State and local government agencies must adopt a conflict of interest code

The codes designates positions within the agency that make or participate in making governmental decisions

Filing Officers

- City Clerk
- County Clerk
- Clerk of the Board
- Registrar of Voters
- Employee at State or Local Agency who asked you to complete Form 700



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Designated Filers - April 1st

Most 87200 Filers – April 1st

Elected State officers, judges, and court commissioners – March 1st

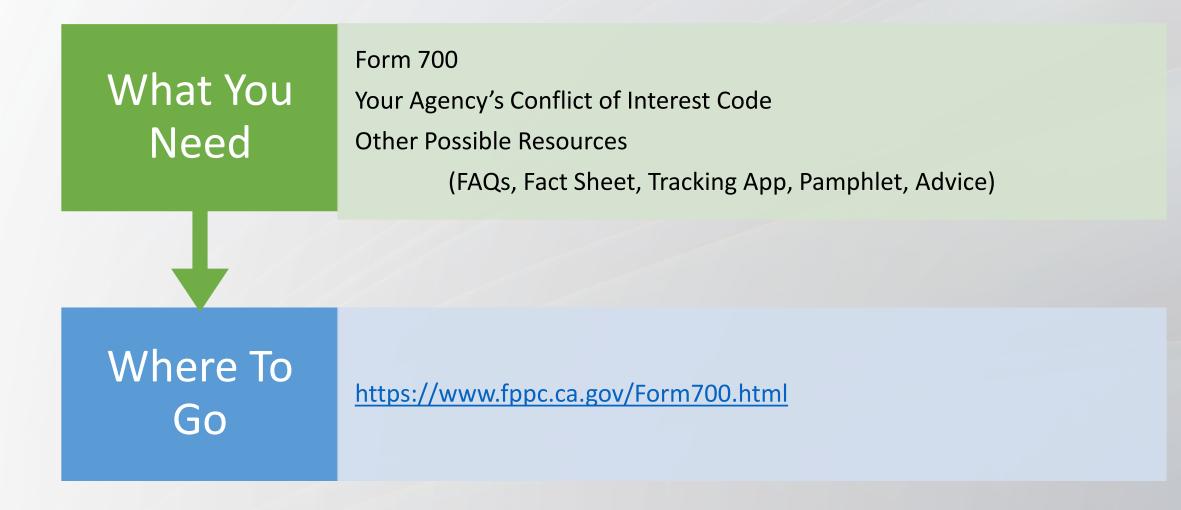
Within 30 days of starting a new job

Within 30 days of leaving your job

Declaration of Candidacy – specific filing deadline

As soon as possible after you notice an error or omission

What You Need and Where to Go





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Statements of Economic Interests - Form 700

Every elected official and public employee who makes or influences governmental decisions is required to submit a Statement of Economic Interest, also known as the Form 700. The Form 700 provides transparency and ensures accountability in two ways:

- 1. It provides necessary information to the public about an official's personal financial interests to ensure that officials are making decisions in the best interest of the public and not enhancing their personal finances.
- 2. It serves as a reminder to the public official of potenties of interest so the official can abstain from making or participating in governmental decision hat are deemed conflicts of interest.

Filing a Form 700

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Filing a Form 700

The FPPC is available to answer any questions you may have on Form 700 reporting or filing. However, in order to better assist you, you should obtain your "disclosure category." A disclosure category is a description of the types of financial interests you must disclose on your Form 700 based on your job classification or position. Each agency defines its own disclosure categories for each position based on the type and scope of work performed.

To obtain a copy of your disclosure category, check with a supervisor or other designated staff in your agency's legal or personnel department.

Form 700

- 🔁 Form 700 (Use Through Dec. 31, 2024)
- 🕙 Form 700 Excel Format
- 🔁 Reference Pamphlet (Explains Reporting Requirements)
- 🛃 Form 700 FAQs
- 🔁 Expanded SEI Fact Sheet NEW
- Filing with a Digital Signature Fact Sheet NEW

Additional Schedules

- Additional Schedules to Form 700 Instructions
 - 🔁 Schedule A-1
 - 📩 Schedule A-2
 - 🛃 Schedule B
 - 🟂 Schedule C
 - 🟂 Schedule D
 - 📩 Schedule E

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Form 700 Tutorials!

Learn more about who files the Form 700 and how to complete each schedule.

Questions About Gifts & Travel?

For guidelines about reporting Gifts, Honoraria, Travel, or Loans click the button below

Gifts & Travel Fact Sheet for State Officials

Gifts & Travel Fact Sheet for Local Officials

Gift of Travel for a Public Purpose

College Scholarship Fact Sheet

Additional Schedules

- Additional Schedules to Form 700 Instructions
 - Schedule A-1
 - Schedule A-2
 - Schedule B
 - Schedule C
 - Schedule D
 - 📩 Schedule E

Amendment Schedules

- 🔁 Form 700 (Complete Amendment Form)
 - 📩 Cover Page
 - Schedule A-1
 - Schedule A-2
 - Schedule B
 - Schedule C
 - Schedule D
 - 1 Schedule E

Consultants & New Positions - Form 700 Disclosure

There are two forms for agencies to use to document filing requirements for individuals serving as consultants or in newly created positions.

- Torm 804 Newly created positions
- 🔁 Form 805 Consultants

Late Penalties

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FPPC Gift Tracking App

- Easy to use
- Updated for 2018
- Exports directly to Form 700

Download FREE

View Form 700 Filed by Public Officials

Click the button below to search through Form 700s that have been filed by public officials.

Search Form 700s

Late Penalties

The guidelines provided in the following document apply to individuals whose Form 700 is forwarded to the FPPC. The FPPC receives Form 700s from certain state and local elected officials, judges, high level state employees, and certain employees for the California Assembly and Senate. If a public official fails to timely file his or her Form 700, the case will be referred to the FPPC Enforcement Division, and a penalty of up to \$5,000 may be imposed. File on time!

• 📩 Form 700 Late Fine Guidelines

Form 700-A and Form 700-U

Certain public employees, such as auditors, may be eligible to file an abbreviated version of the Form 700. Check your agency's conflict of interest code regarding your eligibility to file the 🔂 Form 700-A.

Only researchers employed by the University of California or California State University may file a 🛣 Form 700-U.

Prior Year Versions of Form 700

If you need to file an amendment for a previous year you must be sure to use the correct version of the Form 700. Below are the last seven versions.



File Electronically

If you are a filer whose statement is sent to FPPC and have received log on information from us to file electronically, click the button below.

Access Log On Page Here

Pay Late Fines

If you would like to pay late fines via credit or debit card, click the button below.

Pay Late Fines

Are You A Filing Officer?

If you have questions about the duties for filing officers, click the button below.

Filing Officer Guidance

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Need to set up the e-filing option

Requires login ID and Password

Or else file a hard copy

Questions

Call 916-322-5660 or 866-275-3772 (866-ASK-FPPC)
Monday - Thursday, 9–11:30 a.m.

• E-mail advice@fppc.ca.gov

E-Filing Problems

- · Your agency's system: Contact your filing officer
- FPPC's system: E-mail <u>form700@fppc.ca.gov</u>

Instruction Video By FPPC Available on YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4uqDmKv RAk