



# VILAS COUNTY SHERIFF

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### IRS Impersonation Scam Reporting

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The Vilas County Sheriff's Department has received a number of calls from concerned citizens indicating that they have received a phone call from an individual identifying themselves from the Internal Revenue Service and that money is owed to the IRS.

These calls have been determined to be a scam with the intent of fraudulently obtaining funds from the victim. The IRS has indicated that they do not call on the phone to solicit money for taxes owed.

The IRS is encouraging those that receive these types of calls to log onto the following website and report it as IRS agents are working to crack down on this criminal activity.

Log onto: [www.treasury.gov](http://www.treasury.gov) and at the bottom of the page go to, "Inspector General Sites" and click on "Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration (TIGTA)". At the bottom left of that page is "For Citizens". Click on "IRS Impersonation Scam Reporting". This will open a page that the user can complete a form and information reporting the scam details to the IRS for investigation.



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### IRS Impersonation Scam Reporting

If you believe you have been a victim of an IRS Impersonation Scam, please fill out the form below.

#### What kinds of things should you report?

Please read the [press release](#) describing IRS Impersonation Scams.

#### ONLINE FORM

Information regarding the IRS Impersonation Scam(s) you wish to report:

Date of Incident:

Did you suffer a financial loss?  Yes  No

If Yes, enter amount: \$

How did you pay the impersonator?

If Other, enter method:

Did you provide the impersonator with any personal or sensitive information (other than your full name, telephone number or address)?  Yes  No

How did the impersonator contact you?

How did the caller identify himself/herself (name and/or title)?

From what phone number or email address did they contact you?

What phone numbers were you directed to call?

Additional Information (Optional): Limit 500 characters

Please enter your name, address, city, state of residence, ZIP code, e-mail address, and/or your telephone number below. This will assist us if we need to get in touch with you for additional information.

Name:

Street Address:

City of Residence:	<input type="text"/>
State of Residence:	<input type="text"/>
ZIP Code:	<input type="text"/>
Email Address:	<input type="text"/>
Telephone:	<input type="text"/>

**Please create a 5-digit verification PIN. You will not be able to submit an online complaint without entering a PIN. Please memorize your personalized PIN.**

5-digit PIN:

In the event a TIGTA Special Agent contacts you about your complaint, please request the personalized PIN for confirmation. Please take caution if the person does not know the PIN.

**\*Please memorize and write down your 5-digit PIN before you click the Submit button**

**Submit**

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