

**Department of Employee Trust Funds**  
**WRS ONLINE NETWORK FOR EMPLOYERS USER MANUAL**

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**CHAPTER 10 – WRS TRANSACTION UPLOAD**

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The WRS Transaction Upload application allows employers to upload and submit WRS annual reports to ETF.

Transaction Upload replaces File Transfer Protocol (FTP) and diskette as the preferred method for electronic reporting of annual transactions. WRS Transaction Upload allows employers to run validation edits on their electronic annual files to ensure they meet the formatting specifications in Appendix A of the *WRS Administration Manual* (ET-1127).

Employers currently authorized to use the Online Network for Employers (ONE) WRS Account Update already have access to the WRS Transaction Upload application. No additional authorization is required. Employers that currently do not have access to ONE's WRS Account Update must complete and submit to ETF an *Online Network for Employers Security Agreement* (ET-8928). Refer to subchapter 105 of this manual for instructions on completing the application form.

**1001 Transaction Upload Instructions**

1. After you have entered your Employer Identification Number and clicked on the **Submit** button, the system will display a screen listing your employer name, identification number, a report history of previous upload attempts (lists a maximum of the last five attempts), a Browse button and an Upload button.
2. Click the **Browse** button and select the annual report file you wish to upload. Be sure the file complies with the format specifications described in Appendix A of the *WRS Administration Manual* (ET-1127).
3. After you select the file, the address should appear in the field to the left of the browse button. Click the **Upload** button and the system will run a pre-validation edit program to check the file for errors. If there are no errors, proceed to step 7 (skip steps 4 through 6).
4. In the event there are errors, a message on the screen displays '*Validation Failed*' along with a list of the errors including the following information:
  - Row Number (indicates the row number on which the error is located in the report)
  - Field Number (Ex. '4' for report date)
  - Field Name (Ex. 'Report Date' for field number 4)
  - Original Entry (Ex. '20051231' for report year 2006)

- Error Message (Ex. 'Report date for P000 should be 1231 of processing year in CCYYMMDD format')

**NOTE: DO NOT END THE TRANSACTION UPLOAD APPLICATION** if you receive an error message. Correct the file, save it to your directory, and attempt to upload again.

5. Click the **Continue** button to return to the Upload screen. You will notice that an entry is added to the report history with a status of '*Validation Failed*'.
6. Repeat steps 2 through 5 until all errors are cleared.
7. Once the file is error-free, the system uploads the file. An entry is added to the report history with a status of '*Uploading*'. You will not receive additional data format error messages once you reach the status of '*Uploading*'. However, errors may be identified once the annual report updates to ETF's WEBS system. ETF staff may contact you for error resolution at that time.
8. Once the file has uploaded, a message will appear on the screen stating '*Upload Successful*' along with the total number of rows transmitted. The screen will also display totals from the uploaded file similar in format to the *Electronic Reporter Transmittal* (ET-2536). Review these totals for correctness before submitting the file.

**NOTE:** You may wish to print the Transmission Totals screen for your records before submitting the file.

9. Click on the **Submit** button when ready to submit the file or the **Cancel** button to cancel the process and return to the Upload screen where another upload attempt may be made. If '*Cancel*' is selected, the system updates the record history with a status of '*Cancelled by User*'.

**NOTE:** If for any reason the upload is interrupted, the system updates the status of the record history to '*Upload Failed*'.

10. Once the file is submitted, record history is updated with a status of '*Processing*'. Press F5 function key on your keyboard to refresh screen and view the updated status or log back on at a later time. Processing usually takes a few minutes to complete, but may take up to 24 hours depending on heavy volume of reports being submitted. If any previous upload attempts have a current status of '*Uploading*', '*Processing*', or '*Validated, Under User Review*' you will not be allowed to attempt a new upload and a message will appear on the screen stating this.
11. The status message '*Processing Complete*' will appear when the file is successfully processed and transmitted to ETF and you will no longer be able to load an adjustment to this 2006 file. In the event adjustments are necessary, please contact ETF. (See below for contact information.)
12. If you administer WRS for more than one employer, you can submit the annual report for each WRS employer by clicking the '*Switch Employer*' button. Clicking this button takes you to Annual Report Submission Employer Log In screen where you can put the new employer number. Repeat steps 1 through 11 above to submit annual report for another employer.

13. For questions or information regarding this application, please contact the Employer Communication Center toll free at (888) 681-3952 or locally at (608) 264-7900.