

## **IRA Cheat Sheet**

An Individual Retirement Account (IRA) is a specialized savings account with tax benefits designed for retirement investments. It offers unique advantages such as either a tax deduction at present with deferred tax growth or tax-free growth and withdrawals during retirement.

It is important to note that an IRA is not an investment itself, but rather a designated account that holds your investments and determines how they are taxed by the government. Think of an IRA as a protective sweater for your investments, shielding them from the cold and harsh taxes imposed by Uncle Sam.

Type of IRA	Notable Features	2023 Yearly Contribution Limits
Traditional IRA	<ul> <li>Tax deductible contributions</li> <li>No minimum annual income limits</li> <li>Required minimum distributions after 72</li> <li>Must pay taxes non withdrawals in retirement</li> </ul>	\$6500 Catch Up (Age 50+) \$7500
Roth IRA	<ul> <li>No taxes deductions on contributions</li> <li>Annual income limit determines how much you can contribute</li> <li>Tax free growth and withdrawals in retirement</li> <li>After age 59 1/2 and owned Roth for at least 5 years</li> </ul>	\$6500 Catch Up (Age 50+) \$7500
Rollover IRA	<ul> <li>Allows individuals to move retirement plans from an old employer-sponsored plan to an IRA</li> <li>Traditional and Roth options available</li> <li>Rolling over funds from an traditional 401(k) to a Roth IRA is considered a taxable event</li> </ul>	There are no limits on the amount that can be rolled over from the 401(k) to the IRA
Simple IRA	<ul> <li>Available for any small business</li> <li>Allows employees and employers to contribute to traditional IRAs set up for the employee</li> </ul>	\$15,500 Catch up (Age 50+) \$19,00
SEP IRA	<ul> <li>Tax-deferred retirement savings plan for employers and employees</li> <li>Only the employer contributes, must be equal for all employees</li> <li>No Roth option</li> </ul>	Max 25% of Net Earnings up to \$66,000