



Instructions for Form CT-3.3

Prior Net Operating Loss Conversion (PNOLC) Subtraction

CT-3.3-I

All citations are to New York State Tax Law sections unless specifically noted otherwise.

General information [§210.1(a)(viii)(B) and 20 NYCRR 3-8]

Form CT-3.3 is used by a taxpayer subject to tax under Article 9-A to calculate the PNOLC subtraction allowed in the calculation of the business income base.

Form CT-3.3 must be filed, with all schedules completed, for every tax year that a PNOLC subtraction balance is carried, even if no PNOLC subtraction can be applied in that tax year, so that carryforward amounts are properly accounted for. Failure to file Form CT-3.3 for any tax year for which a balance of PNOLC subtraction is carried may result in a delay in receiving the benefits of it.

A combined group completes only one Form CT-3.3 each tax year for the entire group.

The unabsorbed net operating loss (UNOL) and PNOLC subtraction pool of a taxpayer, or of a corporation that was a member of a combined group, that was subject to tax under either Article 9-A or 32 in the base year are calculated only once, on the **first** Form CT-3.3 filed **after** the base year using the instructions found in the 2015 Form CT-3.3-I. The UNOL and PNOLC subtraction pool will be the same for every tax year following that taxpayer's base year.

One-tenth of the pool (the tax period allotment), plus the amount of any unused PNOLC subtraction carryforward from previous tax periods, may be claimed in each of the first 10 tax periods following the base year. After that, any unused PNOLC subtraction may be claimed, but for no longer than 20 tax periods following the 2015 tax year. A small business corporation at the end of the base year no longer has a tax period PNOLC subtraction allotment but may claim any unused amount eligible for carryforward for no longer than 20 tax periods following the 2015 tax year.

If an entity leaves – or joins – a combined group it takes – or brings – its own PNOLC subtraction pool and allotment, and its share of any unused PNOLC subtraction carry forward with it. An entity's PNOLC subtraction pool and its PNOLC subtraction allotment generally get calculated only once, and are fixed amounts as of the last day of the entity's **base year**. If an entity filed as a member of a combined group for the base year, the member's PNOLC subtraction pool will represent **that** member's **share** of the group's PNOLC subtraction pool.

The PNOLC subtraction is applied in the calculation of the business income base **before** the net operating loss deduction (NOLD).

The PNOLC subtraction is limited in any tax year to the amount required to reduce what would be the tax on apportioned business income after addback of income previously reported as investment income to the higher of the capital base tax or the fixed dollar minimum tax. For a combined group, the PNOLC subtraction is limited in any tax year to the amount required to reduce what would be the tax on apportioned combined business income after addback of income previously reported as investment income to the higher of the combined capital base tax or the fixed dollar minimum tax of the designated agent.

Definitions

Base year means the last tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2014, and before January 1, 2015.

Current tax period means the tax period for which this Form CT-3.3 is being filed.

Specific instructions

When filing a combined return, enter the legal name and EIN of the group's designated agent. In all cases, enter loss amounts (UNOL, PNOLC) as positives in order to ensure proper calculation.

Schedule A – PNOLC subtraction pool detail and tax period allotment

All filers must complete Schedule A in its entirety. If any entity or combined member did not have a UNOL as of the last day of its base year, enter **0** for that entity or combined member in columns D, E, G, and H. If more space is needed, attach additional sheets providing the information in the same format.

Column A: CT-3 filers: Enter your name and EIN in row A.

CT-3-A filers: Enter the name and EIN of each member of the combined group, including the designated agent and any non-taxpayers. The designated agent completes row A. All corporations within the group must continue to be reported on their own row even after a merger or liquidation. All non-taxpayer members must mark an **X** in the non-taxpayer box on **their** line.

Column B: CT-3 filers: Enter the tax period ending date of your **base year** in row A.

CT-3-A filers: Enter, for each member of the combined group, the tax period ending date of **that** member's **base year**.

Column C: For each entity listed, enter the total number of New York State tax periods, including any short periods, that have ensued for **that** entity since **that** entity's **base year**. **Include** the **current tax period** in the count. Do not enter a number higher than "11". Example: Assume the **current tax period** is calendar year 2020 for Company C. Company C's base year was calendar year 2014. If Company C filed calendar year returns for 2015 through 2019, then Company C's tax period count is six, since there have been six tax periods that followed Company C's base year, including the **current tax period**. If, on the other hand, Company C filed two short period returns in 2016, then Company C's tax period count would be seven, including the **current tax period**.

Column D: CT-3 filers: Enter the UNOL from Form CT-3.3, column D filed for the previous tax period.

CT-3-A filers: Enter on the applicable row each member's UNOL from Form CT-3.3, column D filed for the previous tax period.

If, on the last day of its base year, an entity has no UNOL, or its individual share of its base year combined group's UNOL is zero, enter **0** for that entity in columns D, E, G, and H.

The UNOL amount entered in column D for an entity will continue to be the amount to enter in column D on each subsequent tax period's Form CT-3.3 filed.

When filing a combined report, the designated agent must also report its amount on line J of Form CT-3-A, while each

member of the group must also report its amount on line 11 of its Form CT-3-A/BC, *Member's Detail Report*.

Column E: CT-3 filers: Enter the PNOLC subtraction pool from your row of Form CT-3.3, column E filed for the previous tax period.

CT-3-A filers: For each member of the combined group listed, enter the PNOLC subtraction pool from that member's row of Form CT-3.3, column E filed for the previous tax year by the member or on the member's behalf by a combined group. The designated agent must also report its amount on line I of Form CT-3-A, while each other member of the group must report its amount on line 10 of its Form CT-3-A/BC.

The PNOLC subtraction pool amount entered in column E for an entity will continue to be the amount to enter in column E on each subsequent tax period's Form CT-3.3 filed.

Column F: For each entity listed, enter that entity's applicable PNOLC subtraction allotment percentage, which is generally 10%, unless an entity is a small business corporation (enter 100%) or previously made the 50% PNOLC subtraction election (enter 50%); see the previous instructions for small business corporations or the 50% election. When filing a combined return, the designated agent must also mark an **X** in the box for its applicable percentage, if 10% or 100%, on Form CT-3-A, line L, while each other combined group member must also mark an **X** in the box for its applicable percentage, if 10% or 100%, on line 13 of its Form CT-3-A/BC.

Column G: For each entity listed, if any of the following conditions are met, enter **0** and also enter **0** in column H, then skip the column H instructions for that entity:

- the PNOLC subtraction allotment percentage in column F is 10%, and the tax period count in column C is greater than 10;
- the PNOLC subtraction allotment percentage in column F is 50%, and the tax period count in column C is greater than 2; or
- the PNOLC subtraction allotment percentage in column F is 100%, and the tax period count in column C is greater than 1.

For each entity listed, if none of the above conditions are met, enter the **product** of the amount in column E and the percentage in column F. When filing a combined return, the designated agent must also report the amount on Form CT-3-A, line K, while each member of the group must report this amount on its Form CT-3-A/BC, line 12.

Column H: For each entity listed, enter the result of **subtracting from** the amount in column E the **product of** the number in column C and the amount in column G. If the result is less than zero, enter **0**.

Schedule C – Calculation of PNOLC subtraction used and unused amount carried forward

Line 2 – Follow the appropriate instructions below based on whether you are filing Form CT-3, or Form CT-3-A, for the *current tax period*.

Current tax period Form CT-3 filers: The amount to be entered on line 2 depends on how you filed for the tax period **immediately preceding** the *current tax period*.

- **Form CT-3 filer in immediately preceding tax period:** Enter on line 2 the amount from Schedule C, line 5 of your immediately preceding tax period's Form CT-3.3.
- **Member of combined group in immediately preceding tax period:** Enter on line 2 **your** share of the amount

from Schedule C, line 5 of your former combined group's immediately preceding tax period's Form CT-3.3.

Current tax period Form CT-3-A filers, follow instruction A or B, whichever applies.

- A)** When the **same** combined group filed on a combined return in the **immediately preceding tax period:** Enter the amount from Schedule C, line 5 of the immediately preceding tax period's Form CT-3.3.
- B)** When the members of the combined group have **changed** since the **immediately preceding tax period:** Enter on line 2 the amount determined by following Steps 1 through 3 below.

Step 1. For **each** member of the *current tax period* combined group that filed **Form CT-3** for the tax period **immediately preceding** the *current tax period:* Add together the amounts from Schedule C, line 5 of the **immediately preceding** tax period's Form CT-3.3 filed by each member. The **sum** is the Step 1 result.

Step 2. For **each** member of the *current tax period* combined group that filed as part of a combined group in the tax period **immediately preceding** the *current tax period,* determine the member's **share** of the amount from Schedule C, line 5 of the immediately preceding tax period's Form CT-3.3 that the member was included on. Add together the amounts so obtained. The **sum** is the Step 2 result.

Step 3. Add together the results of Steps 1 and 2 and enter the resulting sum on line 2.

Line 4 – Enter the lesser of line 3 or Schedule B, line 5. Also enter the line 4 amount on Form CT-3 or CT-3-A, Part 3, line 16; do not enter less than zero.

Line 5 – Subtract line 4 from line 3. Reduce this amount by the amount of any unused PNOLC subtraction that cannot be carried forward due to limitations and enter the result.

Any unused PNOLC subtraction may not be carried forward for longer than 20 tax years following the 2015 tax year, or to any tax year beginning on or after January 1, 2036, whichever comes first.

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