



AN IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING "IRS TELEPHONE SCAMS " Please take note.

Advisory: TWP OF OCEAN - *IRS Telephone Scam BEWARE*

The Ocean Township Police Department has received information that the "IRS Telephone Scam" is **AGAIN** hitting the phone lines in Ocean Township. Numerous reports have been lodged with the Police Department today. The Police Department is asking residence to **BEWARE**.

The scam consists of an "agent" calling victims saying they owe money to the IRS and/or requesting personal information. The "agent" demands the money be paid promptly by a pre-paid debit card or other means. If the victim refuses, the "agent" threatens to call the police to have the victim arrested. It appears these calls are originating from outside the USA.

If you receive a call regarding taxes owed, the IRS encourages you to do the following:

- If you know you owe taxes or think you might owe taxes, call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040. The IRS employees at that line can help you.
- If you know you don't owe taxes or have no reason to think that you owe any taxes (for example, you've never received a bill), then call and report the incident to the Treasury Inspector General at 1-800-366-4484.

For more information on the "IRS Telephone Scam", visit the Internal Revenue Service website at www.irs.gov