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The Insider's Guide

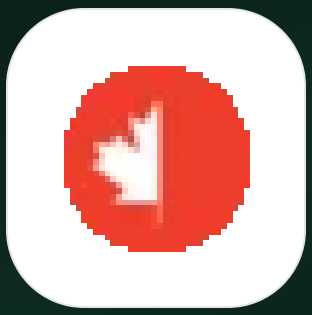
Canadian tax software, online or for Windows, free to start



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among accounting and invoicing tools, read from UFile's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from UFile's own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on UFile's page too, where it is kept up to date. Checked Nov 13, 2026.

Welcome

What it is, who it suits, its grades and the ten things to know first

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GPA, above 94 of the 127 other accounting and invoicing tools we grade

UFile is Thomson Reuters tax software for Canadian personal returns, sold as an online edition, a Windows edition and a professional edition. You can prepare a return for free and pay only when you print or NETFILE it. The online edition also comes in a Premium tier with priority support.

To get you started, here are **9 things to know about UFile**, taken from its own pages and our grades.

> **A web app and Windows program where you enter your figures, and no store rating on record.**
>
> From our grade for ease of use

1 **Best for Canadian personal returns, online or on Windows**

UFile is Canadian tax software, online or for Windows, and it is free to prepare and free to NETFILE for simple returns.

2 **What it costs**

Paid plans start at $20.95 (UFile Online); Windows edition from $26.99.

3 There is a free plan

Free to prepare, and free to NETFILE for simple returns (one T4 or a government pension, standard credits only), first-time filers, post-secondary students and total family income under $20,000.

4 It runs on 2 platforms

Web and Windows.

5 Auto-fill my return

Downloads tax information from most CRA slips into the return.

6 NETFILE certified

Returns can be filed electronically with the CRA and Revenu Québec.

7 Triple guarantee

UFile advertises guarantees of accuracy, satisfaction and the best tax result.

8 A 2.6 GPA, above 94 of 127

That is against the other accounting and invoicing tools we grade, on value, the free plan, features, ease of use and platforms.

9 Keep it

The plain part of UFile you could make: calculator and forms. What surrounds it you could not. The 2 things listed below take a company, not a weekend.

UFile at a glance

PRICING Free plan, from $20.95 (UFile Online); Windows edition from $26.99	FREE PLAN Yes
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON Web, Windows
MADE BY Thomson Reuters	CATEGORY Accounting & Invoicing
OUR GRADE 2.6 GPA, good	

The report card

Best for Canadian personal returns, online or on Windows

UFile is Canadian tax software, online or for Windows, and it is free to prepare and free to NETFILE for simple returns. Paid editions start at $20.95 per return, and the page does not state the basis of that price.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD — **UFile** — Graded Nov 13, 2026

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	B	UFile Online starts at $20.95 and the Windows edition at $26.99 per return, which is a year's cost under the category's $20-a-month middle.
Free plan and trial	B	Free to prepare, and free to NETFILE for simple returns, first-time filers, students and family income under $20,000, which some people can live on.
Features	B	Auto-fill, NETFILE, free phone and email support and online storage do the whole job of a Canadian personal return.
Ease of use	C	A web app and Windows program where you enter your figures, and no store rating on record.
Platforms and integrations	C	Browser and Windows only, with no integrations listed.

Grade point average — Good, out of 4.0 **2.6**

An A is worth 4 points, a B 3, a C 2, a D 1 and an F nothing. The GPA is the average of the five.

Who UFile is for

- ✓ Fits if you have a simple Canadian return and want to file free
- ✓ Works for students and people with family income under $20,000

Who it is not for

- ✗ Tight if your return is not simple, as the free route needs one T4 or a government pension and standard credits
- ✗ Watch out: the pages show 'starting at' prices only, and the final price and basis are not published
- ✗ Watch out: the Windows edition has no online storage
- ✗ Not for you if you prepare returns for others or for corporations, as UFile PRO and UFileT2 are separate products with no prices

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ Canadians with self-employment, investment or rental income
- ✓ Simple filers and students who may qualify to file free
- ✓ People who prefer a desktop edition that keeps data local

Worth knowing

- ⓘ The pages show only 'starting at' prices ($20.95, $26.99, $32.95); the final price and its basis are not published on the pages read.
- ⓘ The Windows edition is Windows only and has no online storage; the online edition works in any browser.
- ⓘ Free filing for students uses a code from the Canadian Federation of Students, and the low-income route applies under $20,000 total family income.
- ⓘ UFile PRO, for tax preparers, and UFileT2 for corporations are separate products with no prices on the pages read.

PART 02 · PRICING

What it costs

Every plan, the free plan, ways to pay less and how prices have moved

$20.95

To start. There is a free plan too

UFile has a free plan. Paid plans start at $20.95 (UFile Online); Windows edition from $26.99.

UFILE ONLINE

$20.95

starting at, per tax return; basis not stated on the page

Start for free and pay only when ready to NETFILE; free email and telephone support.

UFILE PREMIUM

$32.95

starting at, per tax return; basis not stated on the page

Online edition plus priority email, telephone and chat support and exclusive benefits.

UFILE WINDOWS

$26.99

starting at, per tax return; basis not stated on the page

Installed on Windows 11; data stays on your computer; no online storage.

The free plan

Free to prepare, and free to NETFILE for simple returns (one T4 or a government pension, standard credits only), first-time filers, post-secondary students and total family income under $20,000.

Read from ufile.ca on Nov 13, 2026.

Ways to pay less

EDUCATION

Free for post-secondary students

Under an arrangement with the Canadian Federation of Students, eligible post-secondary students can print or NETFILE free.

Stated on ufile.ca

OTHER SAVINGS

Free for simple and low-income returns

Returns with one T4 or a government pension, first-time filers and families with income under $20,000 file free.

Stated on ufile.ca

What it does

Its main features, where it runs, what it works with and who makes it

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Places it runs: Web and Windows

Canadian tax software, online or for Windows, free to start. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: forms, calculator.

> **Auto-fill, NETFILE, free phone and email support and online storage do the whole job of a Canadian personal return.**
>
> From our grade for features

Auto-fill my return

Downloads tax information from most CRA slips into the return.

NETFILE certified

Returns can be filed electronically with the CRA and Revenu Québec.

Triple guarantee

UFile advertises guarantees of accuracy, satisfaction and the best tax result.

Free filing for some

Simple returns, first-time filers, students and low-income families can file at no charge, as the file-for-free page describes.

Online storage

The online edition stores and lets you access a return for 9 years; the Windows edition keeps data on your computer.

Free phone and email support

Telephone support is included at no extra charge, with Premium adding priority and chat.

Where it runs

Web · Windows

What it works with

Its own pages name no integrations.

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Where it stands

Its grades against its category, and whether to keep it or make your own

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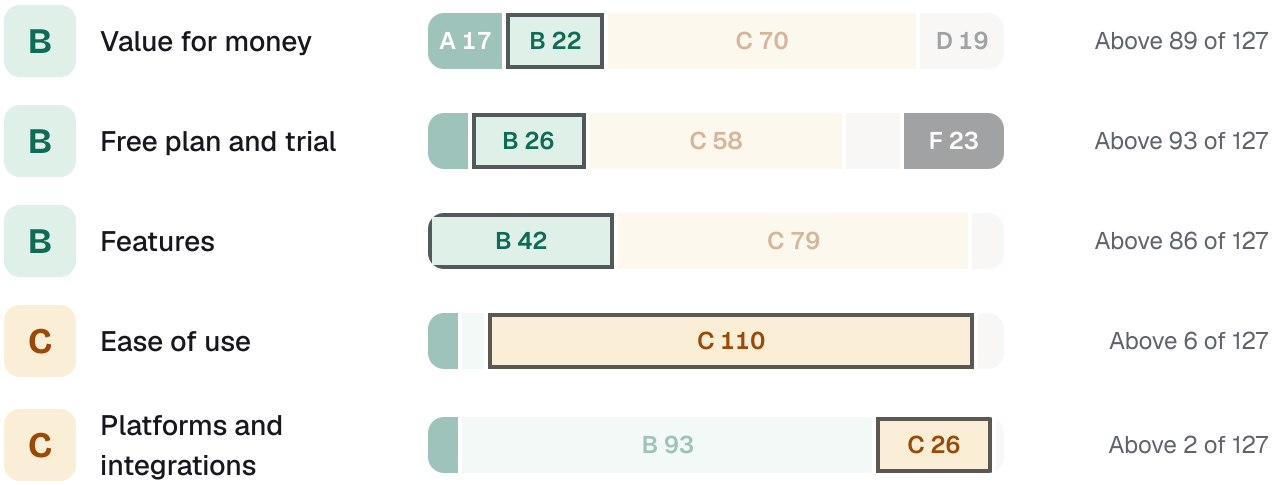
Other accounting and invoicing tools it is graded above

UFile's GPA of 2.6 is higher than 94 of the 127 other accounting and invoicing tools we grade, and level with 14.

It stands best on free plan and trial (B, above 93 of 127) and worst on platforms and integrations (C, above 2).

Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 128 accounting and invoicing tools we grade, cut by the letter each got. UFile's own letter is outlined.



Keep it, or make your own?

Whether this is something you could build for yourself with an AI app builder, and what you would give up.

Keep it

The plain part of UFile you could make: calculator and forms. What surrounds it you could not. The 2 things listed below take a company, not a weekend.

It is one of the better ones too: its GPA of 2.6 is higher than 94 of the 127 other accounting and invoicing tools we grade.

What you could make

- Calculator and forms: an app builder makes these well.

What you could not

- A real app for Windows. Something home-made would be a web page.
- The depth: we grade its features B, which means it covers the whole job.

What this rests on. UFile's listing: what it does, where it runs, what it plugs into and what it costs. It is a judgement about the kind of software this is. We have not built a replacement for it, and making your own means looking after it too. How we decide, and every tool's verdict.

The alternatives

The tools it is most often weighed against, side by side



StudioTax, Wealthsimple Tax, TurboTax and TaxAct

The 4 tools UFile is most often weighed against, with where each one differs from it.

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StudioTax

Free plan · from $17.50/yr

Canadian personal tax software for desktop and mobile.

- Only UFile lists a web app.
- Only StudioTax lists macOS, iOS and Android apps.

UFile and StudioTax compared in full

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Wealthsimple Tax

Free plan · from $40/yr

Canadian personal tax filing with a pay-what-you-want basic plan.

- Only UFile lists a Windows app.

UFile and Wealthsimple Tax compared in full

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TurboTax

Free plan · from $84/yr

US personal and business tax filing, self-serve or with an expert.

- Only UFile lists a Windows app.
- Only TurboTax lists an iOS app.
- UFile also covers forms.

UFile and TurboTax compared in full

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TaxAct

Free plan · from $44.99/yr

Online and downloadable tax filing for individuals and businesses.

- Only UFile lists a Windows app.
- UFile also covers forms.
- TaxAct also covers documents.

UFile and TaxAct compared in full

PART 06 · QUESTIONS

Quick answers

The questions people ask about it, each answered in a line or two

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Questions, each answered in a line or two

The short version of everything above, for when you only need the answer. Each one is told in full in its part of the guide.

Is UFile free?

UFile has a free plan. Free to prepare, and free to NETFILE for simple returns (one T4 or a government pension, standard credits only), first-time filers, post-secondary students and total family income under $20,000.

How much does UFile cost?

UFile lists 3 plans. UFile Online: $20.95 starting at, per tax return; basis not stated on the page.

What platforms does UFile work on?

UFile is available on Web and Windows.

Does UFile offer any discounts?

UFile publicly lists the following: Free for post-secondary students; Free for simple and low-income returns.

Does UFile have an Android app?

No Android app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. UFile is listed for Web and Windows.

Does UFile have an iPhone app?

No iPhone app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. UFile is listed for Web and Windows.

Is UFile open source?

UFile is not described as open source on its own site, as read on Nov 13, 2026.

Does UFile have a student discount?

Free for post-secondary students. Under an arrangement with the Canadian Federation of Students, eligible post-secondary students can print or NETFILE free.

Who makes UFile?

UFile is made by Thomson Reuters.

What are the alternatives to UFile?

The closest alternatives to UFile in our directory are StudioTax, Wealthsimple Tax, TurboTax and TaxAct.

How does UFile compare with other accounting and invoicing tools?

UFile's GPA of 2.6 is higher than 94 of the 127 other accounting and invoicing tools we grade, and level with 14.

Could I make my own version of UFile?

The plain part of UFile you could make: calculator and forms. What surrounds it you could not.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from UFile's own pages on Nov 13, 2026, and the grades were given on Nov 13, 2026. Graded from this listing, whose facts were read from UFile's own pages on 13 November 2026. Not based on using the product, and shorter than our full reviews.

Every tool we list gets five grades, A to F, each with its reason, and a GPA that averages them. How each is decided is at toolgpa.com/grades. This guide is ToolGPA's own work; it is not made, paid for or approved by Thomson Reuters. Prices change, so check ufile.ca before you buy.

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ufile.ca/products/ufile-windows
ufile.ca/get-started/help-me-choose
ufile.ca/tips-and-tools/file-for-free

PART 07 · ABOUT

About ToolGPA

Who made this guide, what else is on the site, and how to cite it

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Tools graded, in 95 categories

ToolGPA grades software the way a school report grades a pupil: five subjects, a letter for each with the reason written beside it, and a GPA that averages them. Prices, plans and platforms are read from each maker's own pages and dated, so you always know how fresh a figure is.

Every grade, review and ranking on ToolGPA is our own judgement. No company can pay for a grade or change one. Every tool on the site has a guide like this one, free to download and pass on. It all lives at **toolgpa.com**.

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tools graded	categories	price changes on record	apps priced in 12 countries

What else is on toolgpa.com

UFile, kept up to date

Everything in this guide, with prices and grades as they are today

toolgpa.com/tools/ufile

How grades are given

The rules behind every letter and every GPA

toolgpa.com/grades

Value charts

What each tool costs against what it scores, for every category

toolgpa.com/charts

Compare

Any two tools side by side, plan by plan

toolgpa.com/compare

Price changes

Every price rise and cut on record, each with its source

toolgpa.com/price-changes

Prices by country

What apps cost on the App Store in 12 countries

toolgpa.com/prices-by-country

Pay less

Every public discount: yearly billing, students, nonprofits

toolgpa.com/save

Keep or make

Which tools are worth paying for, and which you could build yourself

toolgpa.com/keep-or-make

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Prices and grades as they are today

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The best-graded accounting and invoicing tools after UFile, each with an Insider's Guide of its own.

Accounting & Invoicing Insider's Guide

Every one of the 129 accounting and invoicing tools we grade, compared

Zoho Invoice Insider's Guide

Free invoicing app from Zoho for freelancers and small businesses

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Zoho Books Insider's Guide

Online accounting from Zoho, with a free plan and six paid tiers

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Cash App Taxes Insider's Guide

Free federal and state tax filing inside Cash App

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