

FEC Updates Contribution Limits for 2015-2016

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The Federal Election Commission indicated in a Federal Register notice published this morning that it has updated federal contribution limits for the 2015-2016 election cycle. Limits that apply to contributions from individuals to federal candidates (now \$2,700/election) and national party committees (now \$33,400/year) are indexed for inflation. They are updated at the beginning of each odd-numbered year. *Caplin & Drysdale has composed the chart below and attached that explains these new limits.* Download this chart by clicking [here](#).

2015-2016 Federal Contribution Limits

Donors	Candidate Committee	Traditional PAC	Super PAC ¹	State Party Fed. Account ²	National Party National Committee (RNC / DNC)	National Party Congressional Committee (NRSC / DSCC / NRCC / DCCC)
Individual	\$2,700/election	\$5,000/year	Unlimited	\$10,000/year	\$33,400/year (main account) \$100,200/year (convention) \$100,200/year (bldg. account) \$100,200/year (legal account)	\$33,400/year (main account) \$100,200/year (bldg. account) \$100,200/year (legal account)
National Party Committee	\$5,000/election ³	\$5,000/year	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited	Unlimited
PAC Multicandidate	\$5,000/election	\$5,000/year	Unlimited	\$5,000/year	\$15,000/year (main account) \$45,000/year (convention) \$45,000/year (bldg. account) \$45,000/year (legal account)	\$15,000/year (main account) \$45,000/year (bldg. account) \$45,000/year (legal account)
PAC Non-Multicandidate	\$2,700/election	\$5,000/year	Unlimited	\$10,000/year	\$33,400/year (main account) \$100,200/year (convention) \$100,200/year (bldg. account) \$100,200/year (legal account)	\$33,400/year (main account) \$100,200/year (bldg. account) \$100,200/year (legal account)
Corporation	Prohibited	Prohibited	Unlimited	Prohibited	Prohibited	Prohibited

¹ A "super PAC" may make only independent expenditures with respect to federal elections and may not make contributions to federal candidates, parties, and traditional PACs.

² These are combined limits, shared with federal accounts of all other state & local committees of same party in same state.

³ National Party Committees may contribute up to \$46,800 to each U.S. Senate candidate. The \$5,000-per-election limit cited above applies to National Party Committees' contributions to other federal candidates.

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