

## Roth IRA

### CONCEPT APPLIED:

Anyone can open a Roth IRA regardless of age. All a participant needs to be eligible is taxable compensation—salaries, wages, tips, bonuses, fees, etc. There are, of course, limits on contributions, and adjusted gross income must fall within IRS limits.

### HOW IT WORKS:

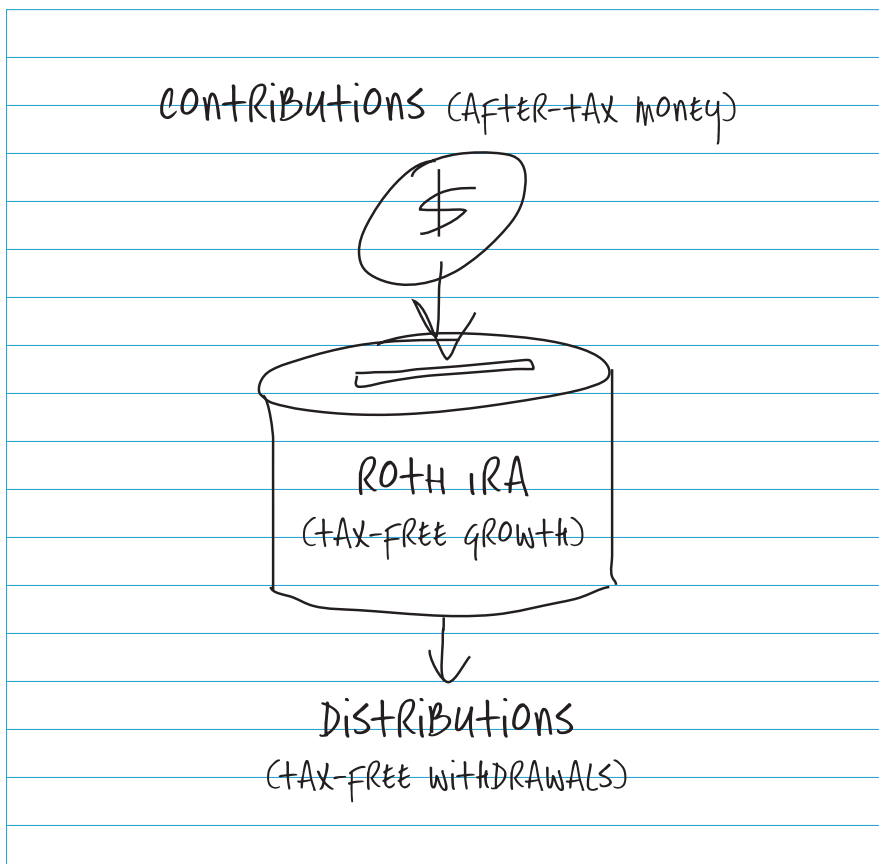
Any individual who meets the Roth income requirements can (1) establish a Roth IRA, and (2) make annual contributions up to \$7,000 in 2024 (\$8,000 if over age 50) using after-tax money. The annual contribution limits apply to an individual's total IRA contributions for traditional and Roth IRAs. Roth IRA owners can withdraw contributions at any time without taxation or penalty, and can withdraw earnings tax free after age 59½ or after becoming disabled, assuming the Roth IRA has been in existence at least 5 years.

### WHY IS IT USEFUL?

The retirement benefits of a Roth IRA are available to all individuals earning up to a maximum salary amount—the opportunity for tax-deferred growth, plus tax-free withdrawals after age 59½.

### 50 WORDS OR LESS

A Roth IRA is funded with after-tax contributions and provides tax-free earnings growth and tax-free withdrawals. Unlike a traditional IRA, there are no income tax deductions allowed for Roth contributions.



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