



Individual Tax Client Preparation Checklist

Personal Information

1. Identification

- Social Security numbers (SSNs) for you, your spouse, and dependents
- Valid photo ID (driver's license, state ID, or passport)

2. Previous Year's Tax Return

- Copy of last year's federal and state tax returns (for New Client only)

Income Documentation

1. W-2 Forms

- W-2 forms from all employers

2. 1099 Forms

- 1099-MISC for miscellaneous income
- 1099-NEC for non-employee compensation
- 1099-INT for interest income
- 1099-DIV for dividends and distributions
- 1099-B for proceeds from broker and barter exchange transactions
- 1099-R for distributions from pensions, annuities, retirement plans, IRAs, and insurance contracts
- 1099-G for government payments (e.g., unemployment compensation, state tax refunds)
- 1099-S for real estate transactions

3. Other Income Documentation

- Schedule K-1 for income from partnerships, S corporations, estates, and trusts
- Form 1098 for mortgage interest paid
- Form 1098-T for tuition payments and related educational expenses
- Form 1098-E for student loan interest paid
- Alimony received (for divorces finalized before 2019)
- Rental income records
- Self-employment income and expenses
- Gambling winnings (Form W-2G)
- Foreign income documentation
- Bank and investment statements
- Social Security benefits statement (SSA-1099)
- Unemployment compensation (Form 1099-G)



Deductions and Credits Documentation

- 1. Charitable Donations**
 - Receipts or acknowledgment letters from charitable organizations
 - Records of non-cash donations (e.g., clothing, household items)
 - Mileage and out-of-pocket expenses for volunteer work
- 2. Medical Expenses**
 - Receipts and statements for medical and dental expenses
 - Prescription medication receipts
 - Payments to medical practitioners
 - Health insurance premiums (if not paid pre-tax)
 - Transportation costs for medical care
- 3. Education Costs**
 - Form 1098-T for tuition and fees
 - Form 1098-E for student loan interest
 - Receipts for books, supplies, and equipment
- 4. Other Common Deductions**
 - Mortgage interest (Form 1098)
 - State and local taxes (property taxes, state income taxes)
 - Personal property taxes
 - Casualty and theft loss documentation
 - Investment interest expenses
 - Job-related expenses (if not reimbursed by employer)
- 5. Credits**
 - Documentation for education credits (American Opportunity Credit, Lifetime Learning Credit)
 - Child and dependent care expenses
 - Child Tax Credit documentation
 - Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) documentation
 - Retirement Savings Contributions Credit (Saver's Credit) documentation
 - Energy credits documentation for home improvements

Additional Information

- 1. Bank Account Information**
 - Bank account and routing numbers for direct deposit of refunds
- 2. Estimated Tax Payments**
 - Records of estimated tax payments made during the year
- 3. Other Relevant Documents**
 - Any IRS or state tax correspondence received
 - Records of any other income or expenses that may affect your tax return

By gathering all the necessary documents and information listed above, you can ensure a smooth and efficient tax appointment. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact our office.