

Ultimate Tax Preparation Checklist: Your Comprehensive Guide to Filing Taxes

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Description: Get organized and breeze through tax season with our exclusive Tax Preparation Checklist from SimplySoundAdvice.com. Ensure you've covered all the necessary details to maximize your deductions and minimize stress!

Tax Preparation Checklist

☐ Gather Personal Information:

- Social Security numbers for yourself, spouse, and dependents
- Previous year's tax return
- Any relevant tax forms received (W-2, 1099, etc.)

☐ Income Documents:

- W-2 forms from all employers
- 1099-MISC or 1099-NEC for freelance or contract work
- Interest and dividend statements (1099-INT, 1099-DIV)
- Rental income statements
- Social Security statements (SSA-1099)

☐ Deductions and Credits:

- Mortgage interest statements (Form 1098)
- Student loan interest statements (Form 1098-E)
- Charitable donation receipts
- Medical and dental expenses
- Childcare expenses and provider information
- Education-related expenses (Form 1098-T)

☐ Self-Employment Documents:

- Business income and expense records

- Home office expenses
- Business mileage logs

☐ Health Insurance Coverage:

- Health insurance marketplace statements (Form 1095-A)
- Employer-provided health insurance statements (Form 1095-B or 1095-C)

☐ Investment Statements:

- Brokerage statements showing sales of stocks, bonds, or other investments
- Records of capital asset transactions

☐ Other Income:

- Lottery or gambling winnings and losses
- Alimony received or paid

☐ Record of Estimated Tax Payments:

- Quarterly estimated tax payment records (Form 1040-ES)

☐ Foreign Accounts and Assets:

- Foreign bank account and financial asset information (FBAR)
- Foreign financial assets (Form 8938)

☐ State Taxes:

- State income tax refund amounts (Form 1099-G)

☐ Proof of Deductible Expenses:

- Receipts and documentation for business expenses
- Medical receipts and bills
- Charitable contribution receipts

☐ Gather Relevant Personal Information:

- Social Security numbers for all dependents

- Dates of birth for all dependents
- Childcare provider information

☐ Review and Double-Check:

- Go through your forms, calculations, and information to ensure accuracy

☐ E-File or Mail:

- Decide whether to e-file or mail your tax return

Remember, it's always a good idea to consult a tax professional if you have complex tax situations or questions about your specific circumstances.

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