



TAXPAYER CHEAT SHEET

What is Tax Deduction? (For Business Owners)

THIS CONCLUDES ITEMIZED AND STANDARD DEDUCTIONS.

Tax Deductions for Business Owners:

- Business tax deductions are expenses paid to operate the business.
- IRS Says; Section 162(a) allows a deduction for all the ordinary and necessary expenses paid or incurred during the taxable year in carrying on any trade or business.
- Let's look at a few industry-specific tax deduction cheat sheets.

Overall Business Expense

- Accounting Fees
- Accounting Software
- Advertising- Magazines
- Advertising- Other
- Advertising- Paper
- Advertising- Radio and
Television
- Advertising- Signs
- Advertising-Business Cards
- Alarm Service
- Association Dues
- Bad Debts
- Bank Charges Business Acct
- Bookkeeping
- Business Credit Card Annual
Fee



- Business Mileage Cents per Mile
- Business Travel- Luggage
- Carpet Cleaning
- Casual Labor
- Commissions
- Cost of Goods Sold
- Credit Card Acceptance Service Fees
- Delivery
- Dues Professional Societies
- Education- Books
- Education - Classes& Seminars
- Education- Continuing Education Courses
- Education- Conventions
- Education-Mileage
- Education- Professional Development
- Emblems for Uniforms
- Entertainment
- Equipment Rental
- Equipment Repairs
- Freight
- Gifts (\$25 Maximum Per Person)
- Insurance
- Interest on Business Debt



- Interest on Business Mortgage
- Legal Fees
- License
- Maintenance and Maintenance Contracts
- Medical-Employee Related
- Medical-Owner Related
- Notary Fees
- Office Supplies
- Office Supplies- Pens, Pencils, etc.
- Office Supplies-Water Delivery
- Outside Service
- Payroll Paid to Others (W2s)
- Payroll Taxes
- Pest Control
- Postage
- Printing
- Professional Services
- Publications- Trade Books
- Publications -Trade Journals
- Referral Fees
- Small Tools
- Software
- Supplies
- Taxes



- Telephone - Answering Service
- Telephone Cellular Phone Charges
- Telephone - Long Distance
- Telephone - Other
- Telephone- Pay Phone Charges
- Tools
- Transportation Expenses
- Travel away from home overnight
- Travel-Other
- Travel # of Miles
- Uniforms-Shirts, Shoes, Repairs and \$Spent
- Uniform Laundry\$1 per load
- Union Dues
- Equipment Purchased This year
- Equipment Depreciation (From Prior Years)

Cost of Goods Sold Computation

Beginning Inventory

Plus: Purchases

Less: Withdrawn for Personal Use

Equals: Goods Available for Sale

Less: Ending Inventory

Equals: Cost of Goods Sold

