



Tax Preparation Checklist - Business

As you prepare your documents for your business tax return, go through the following checklist and use as a guide for the areas that may apply to you.

UPDATED BUSINESS INFORMATION

- ☐ Legal name changes, DBA name changes
- ☐ Mailing address
- ☐ Contact information (email, phone number)
- ☐ Operating agreement
- ☐ Articles of incorporation
- ☐ Pick up preferences (paper copies – Auburn or Opelika office, HHB portal, Suralink, etc.)
- ☐ Contact Preference: Call, Email or Text

UPDATED OWNERSHIP INFORMATION

- ☐ New ownership: full legal names, SSNs, addresses, percent ownership, ownership acquisition date
- ☐ Prior ownership: date of transfer of ownership

NEW CLIENT INFORMATION

- ☐ Copies of the prior tax return (if existing entity)
- ☐ HHB's "New Business Client Questionnaire"

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

- ☐ General ledger, profit & loss, balance sheet & trial balance *or*
- ☐ Access & notification that accounting software (QuickBooks, Xero) are ready through year-end

EMPLOYEES/CONTRACTORS

- ☐ W-2 & W-3: Wage and tax statements
- ☐ 1099 & 1096: Payments to contractors

Alabama has introduced changes to the Annual Report for For-Profit Corporations as well as the Business Privilege Tax Return for this filing season.