

BOOKKEEPING CHECKLIST FOR PROPRIETORSHIPS

1. Bank Statement(s) - ONLY REQUIRED IF YOU HAVE A SEPARATE ACCOUNT THAT IS USED FOR BUSINESS
 - a. Bank statements for the year (or period of bookkeeping) – ONLY REQUIRED IF YOU HAVE A SEPARATE ACCOUNT THAT IS USED FOR BUSINESS
 - b. Cheque stubs (if bank statements do not include the copies of cheques)
 - c. Deposit books

2. Accounts Receivable
 - a. A list of amounts receivable as at year end (amounts for work done and billed prior to year end but not yet received) – or include the invoices as per request under the Income and Expense list

3. Prepaid Expenses
 - a. A list of expenses paid for before year end that pertain to the next fiscal year in whole or in part. For example: insurance, property taxes, etc. – or provide invoices as requested under the Income and Expense list

4. Inventory
 - a. A list of inventories held at year end (value at cost or net realizable value, which ever is lower)

5. Loans or Notes Receivable
 - a. List of loans / notes receivable
 - b. Copies of loan agreements / notes payable including amounts, interest, payment amounts and frequency and term of loan.

6. Investments
 - a. Investment statements for the year (monthly or quarterly – however often they are reported)
 - b. Summary of gains and losses for the fiscal year
 - c. Summary of income for the fiscal year
 - d. Summary of investment management fees for the fiscal year
 - e. Summary of withdrawals, contributions and other transactions for the fiscal year
 - f. T5/T3 and other t-slips received during the year

Note that I can obtain the above directly from your advisory with your permission. Simply e-mail your advisor and CC me with an intro and a statement that you provide permission for the advisor to provide the required information.

7. Payables
 - a. WCB remittances
 - b. PST remittances
 - c. List of amounts payable (expenses incurred in the year but not yet paid for) – or provide invoices as requested under the Income and Expense list
 - d. Credit card statements for the year for cards used for business purposes.

8. Debt
 - a. Loan statements for the full fiscal year
 - b. Copies of all loan agreements including amounts, interest, payment amounts and frequency and term of loan.

9. Income and Expenses
 - a. Copies of all invoices and receipts for all income and expenses related to the business including those that are shared: cell phone for example. Be sure to include invoices that are for the period or year but not yet paid for or received.
 - b. Copy(ies) of any rental or lease agreements, including real estate/property and equipment
 - c. A break down of home office (if applicable): sq ft of space used for business and total sq ft of home
 - d. Motor vehicle mileage log showing km driven for business purposes for each vehicle used in the business

10. For any employees or contractors: WHERE POSSIBLE:
 - a. Names, address and SIN
 - b. For employees – the TD1 and TD 1BC forms would be ideal

First year engagements also need to provide the following:

11. Business Registry Documents including those with BC Registries and with CRA

12. Copy of prior year information:
 - a. T1 Personal Income Tax Return including the T2125 Statement of Business Activities and related worksheets (CCA, motor vehicle, etc)
 - b. Trial Balance
 - c. Year end adjusting journal entries
 - d. Financial Statements

13. Signed Business authorization form (attached)