

file! with a tax pro

Checklist + tips to help with the Self-Employment Sections of your Tax Return with the IRS

IF you're working with a CPA, Accountant or Tax Preparer

This checklist covers the basics that are related to Self-Employment—Schedule C, SE, and a few lines on the 1040. The checklist does NOT include steps to complete the entire 1040 form. It's possible that you might have a few additional details to add, or issues to explore. Hopefully, getting the basics all done will make it easier to figure out the rest.

Questions? Email me at: jennygirlfriday@gmail.com.

♥ Lines in **BLUE** apply to some of you. Check the hearts when the task is complete.

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- ♥ **Gather**
- ♥ CALCULATE-Basic Worksheet
 - ♥ Questions
 - ♥ 1099-MISCs - *if you have these*
 - ♥ 1099-Ks - *if you have these*
 - ♥ Car Info - *if claiming mileage: make, model, beginning and ending odometer readings*

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- ♥ **Tax Pro**
- In Person**
- ♥ 1 Take ~ everything you've gathered
 - ♥ 2 Be ready with your List of questions. (*Ask about health insurance, if you purchased it yourself.*)
 - ♥ 3 Optional: ask for feedback or tips for next year.

Note: if you're working with someone who's NOT an accountant/CPA—such as a volunteer at the library, or a person at H&R Block—it's important to note that (usually) their main job is to help you complete the forms. They may not be able to give advice, or find additional deductions for you.

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- ♥ **Tax Pro**
- Usually ~ You will be asked to:*
- Via Portal**
- ♥ 1 Submit your documents—via a web portal or snail mail.
- or Mail**
- ♥ 2 Fill out a questionnaire, which will ask you about all the figures you've collected.
Note: They might ask in a different order than how we prepared.
 - ♥ 3 ProTip: Ask if you can upload your CALCULATE-Basic worksheet instead of going through their questionnaire
Then ~
 - ♥ 4 Ask any questions that you've collected. Don't be shy!
 - ♥ 5 Optional: ask for feedback or tips for next year.

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- ♥ **Celebrate!**
- ♥ Well done! It's time Treat Yo'self!