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Dear Client,

Following please find the **short** version of our **1040 TAX DEDUCTION ORGANIZER** which will assist you in gathering all the pertinent information to provide us for the preparation of your personal tax return. Providing this inclusive documentation will assure you do not lose deduction dollars and present us with the fundamental information required for the preparation of a complete and accurate return.

It is very important that you review the Profitpointe Policies so that there is no misunderstanding of what it takes to keep you on schedule and always paying the minimum in tax. Our pricing, guidelines, In-house and IRS deadlines are explained in the Profitpointe Policies which can be downloaded from the policies section of our website at: www.profitpointe.com. Please feel free to call us whenever you have a question.

Once we have received your tax information and completed tax organizer, we will call or email you with any follow-up questions. We look forward to working with you.

Thank you for allowing Profitpointe Tax & Bookkeeping the opportunity of serving you. We are pleased to have you as a client and welcome the opportunity of earning the referrals of your family and friends.

Sincerely,

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1040 SHORT TAX DEDUCTION ORGANIZER INSTRUCTIONS

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PLEASE HELP US HELP YOU!

**Not thoroughly completing this document will cost you money.
WE CANNOT PREPARE YOUR TAX RETURN WITHOUT IT!**

1. This form is for very simple tax situations. If you have rental property; operate a farm; operate a home-based daycare; have stocks, bonds or other investments; are self-employed; own any business; or have employee business expenses **DO NOT USE THIS FORM**. You will need to use the Standard 1040 TDO. Use one ENTITY TDO for each C-Corporations, S-Corporations, LLC's or Partnerships for which you want a tax return prepared.
2. To avoid any misunderstandings, go to www.profitpointe.com in the policy section, and download Profitpointe's Policies for information on pricing, deadlines, procedures, and our privacy policy.
3. Complete ONE form PER tax year – DO NOT combine years.
4. Do not DUPLICATE any figures throughout the 'Tax Deduction Organizer' (TDO).
5. Do not answer 'SAME' to any of the questions.
6. Make sure to STAPLE all pages of the TDO together in numerical order to avoid separation of pages. If you need to copy or duplicate pages or sections, please make sure to PRINT your name on all pages that you copy and STAPLE them separately from the entire TDO.
7. All figures provided should be ANNUAL totals. We DO NOT want receipts – only TOTALS unless otherwise specified in the TDO. **DO NOT ROUND OFF FIGURES**, use exact totals.
8. Be sure to provide ALL 1099's and W-2's.
9. Be sure to provide ALL K-1's from estate, trust, and outside business ventures.
10. **For Amended Returns Only:** VERY IMPORTANT: The figures you enter in this Tax Deduction Organizer (TDO) should be those compiled from your actual records and receipts NOT from your original tax return. However, you must review your original tax return to be sure any accurate information is transferred to this TDO. Figures included on your original tax return but not included in your TDO will be considered inaccurate information and not automatically transferred to your amended tax return.



1040 TAX DEDUCTION ORGANIZER
SHORT FORM

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IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ INSTRUCTION SHEET BEFORE COMPLETING.

CLIENT NAME(s): TAX YEAR:

CHECK ONE: This organizer is for INITIAL FILING FOR THE TAX YEAR REVIEW FOR AMENDMENT

ALL CLIENTS: WE REQUIRE ITEMS 1-3 LISTED BELOW:

- 1. Copy of current driver's license and social security card for you and all dependents.
2. Required deposit of 50% of your previous year's tax preparation cost. Refer to page 10 for Payment Authorization Form. New clients, please see below for your deposit requirements.
3. Do you have any unresolved issues with the IRS? Yes or No
If yes, please provide details:

NEW CLIENTS: IN ADDITION TO THE ITEMS ABOVE, PLEASE PROVIDE:

- 1. How did you hear about us?
2. Required deposit of \$100. Refer to page 10 for Payment Authorization Form.
3. Copies of your tax returns for the past three (3) years.

THE FOLLOWING MUST BE PROVIDED BY ALL TAXPAYERS FOR EACH TAX YEAR BEING PREPARED:

- 1. This completed Tax Deduction Organizer.
2. Copies of any correspondence received from the IRS in the past year.
3. ALL W-2, 1099, Brokerage Statement(s), K-1 forms, interest and other income statements. Note: We MUST have originals of these forms. Retain photocopies for your records. Please indicate the number of W-2 forms enclosed for: SELF SPOUSE (DO NOT ENTER DOLLAR AMOUNTS HERE.)
4. Form 1098: Your end-of-the-year mortgage statement including interest paid and real estate taxes. If more than one 1098, please indicate the property address on each form.
5. Closing papers for all real estate transactions. (We need the page titled "Settlement Statement".)
6. Legal papers for adoption, divorce, or separation involving the custody of your dependent children.
7. A voided check if you wish to have your income tax refund direct deposited.

PART I: DO ANY OF THESE APPLY TO YOU?

- YES NO Do you have rental property?
- YES NO Do you have farm income?
- YES NO Do you operate a home-based daycare?
- YES NO Do you operate a business as a sole proprietor or 1099 contractor (including self-employment either full or part-time and **multi-level business opportunities**)?
- YES NO Do you have Stocks, Bonds, or other Investments?
- YES NO Did you receive a "rollover" of funds from a deceased person?
- YES NO Did you or your spouse file for Incorporation or LLC during the year?
- YES NO Do you or your spouse own or are you a shareholder in any corporation or partnership?
- YES NO Do you or your spouse have any other businesses or hobbies that you are actively pursuing for a profit?

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING THREE QUESTIONS FOR W-2 EMPLOYEES ONLY (not self-employed)

- YES NO Did you maintain an office at home for the convenience of your employer?
- YES NO Did you have job related **AUTO** expenses that were not reimbursed to you by your employer?
- YES NO Did you have job related expenses that were **NOT** reimbursed to you by your employer?

**IF YOU ANSWERED 'YES' TO ANY OF THE QUESTIONS IN THIS PART,
STOP HERE.**

YOU NEED TO USE OUR STANDARD TAX DEDUCTION ORGANIZER.

TAX PLANNING SERVICES

DO YOU WANT TO SAVE THE MOST TAX DOLLARS?

- A little advance tax planning can save you a lot of money and frustration. We recommend that you review your tax situation on a quarterly basis. Please note that there are additional charges for these Tax Planning Services; cost is based on the complexity of your tax situation. You may obtain the TAX ESTIMATOR from www.profitpointe.com or by contacting our office.
- Individuals who own a business, have multiple entities, or are paying estimated quarterly tax payments should consult with their tax preparer on a quarterly basis.
- If you are currently implementing an Advanced Tax Strategy that was set-up with Profitpointe, you **must** review your tax situation **no less often** than mid-year and fourth quarter in order for the strategy to work effectively.

PART II: FEDERAL FILING STATUS - CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX

- Single
- Married filing jointly
- Married filing separately
 - Check this box if you **did not** live with your spouse at any time during the year.
 - Check this box if you are eligible to claim your **spouse's** exemption.
- Qualifying widow(er) Deceased date for spouse _____
- Head of household (Unmarried with child or other dependent relative)
 Qualifying person's name _____ Social Security# _____
- Do you want to allocate \$3 to the Presidential Election Campaign Fund? (CHECK ONE)
 Self: Yes or No Spouse: Yes or No

PART III: DEPENDENT INFORMATION (Do not include Taxpayer or Spouse)

FULL NAME (use the EXACT name social security administration uses - IRS monitors closely)	BIRTHDATE	SOCIAL SECURITY #	RELATIONSHIP	# MONTHS AT HOME THIS YEAR

Check here if using additional pages for dependents

YES NO Did any dependent have earned income (W-2, etc.)?
 Name _____ Amount \$ _____

YES NO Did you file a tax return for any dependent? **If yes**, please provide a copy for our files.

YES NO Did any dependent have unearned income (interest, dividends, etc.)?
 Name _____ Amount \$ _____

YES NO Did you provide more than half of the support for all dependents?
If no, which dependent(s): _____

YES NO Were any dependent(s) permanently and totally disabled?
If yes, which dependent(s): _____

YES NO Were any dependent(s) between 19 and 24 years old AND a full-time student for at least 5 months during the tax year? **If yes**, which dependent(s): _____

YES NO Can any of the dependents be claimed on another person's tax return?
If yes, which dependent(s): _____ Reason: _____
 Were they claimed on that person's tax return for this tax year? Yes or No

YES NO Did you pay alimony during the tax year? **If yes**, amount paid: _____
 Paid to: _____ Social Security # _____

YES NO Was there any change in your immediate family (i.e. marriage, birth, divorce, adoption, etc.)?
If yes, please explain and include date and legal status: _____

YES NO Were any dependent(s) adopted during tax year? **If yes**, provide the following information:

Adopted Child's Name	Social Security #	Birth Date

What was the STATUS of the adoption on December 31 of this tax year?
 IN PROGRESS COMPLETED FAILED

Provide the amount of money spent on adoption activities:
 Last tax year: \$ _____ This tax year: \$ _____

Was this a special needs child? Yes No

Is the adopted dependent your spouse's child? Yes No

YES NO Did you have childcare expenses? Total expenses paid \$ _____

ALL INFORMATION BELOW IS REQUIRED BY IRS IN ORDER TO CLAIM CHILDCARE DEDUCTION

Childcare Provider Name and Address	Provider's Tax ID or Social Security #	Child's Name	Amount Paid

PART IV: DEDUCTION FINDER

PLEASE CIRCLE APPROPRIATE ANSWER FOR TAX YEAR BEING PREPARED. ANY YES ANSWER WILL REQUIRE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. PLEASE BE AS COMPLETE AS POSSIBLE TO MAXIMIZE YOUR DEDUCTIONS.

YES NO Did you or your dependents incur secondary/college education expenses? **If yes**, complete:

Student's name _____ School _____

Dates attended in this tax year _____ Half-time Full-time Other _____

Class: _____ Freshman (1styr) _____ Sophomore (2ndyr) _____ Junior (3rdyr) _____ Senior (4thyr).

Purpose of schooling: _____ obtain certificate or degree _____ improve current job skills

_____ learn new job skills Other: _____

Amount paid this tax year: Tuition & Fees \$ _____ Books \$ _____

Has the above mentioned student ever been convicted of possessing or distributing a controlled substance? Yes No

YES NO Did you cash in any U.S. savings bonds and use the money for college expenses?

YES NO Did you pay interest on a student loan? Amount \$ _____

YES NO Do you have additional income not reported on a W-2, 1099, or K-1 form? (i.e. alimony, unemployment, gambling, prizes, awards, jury duty, etc.)

Amount \$ _____ Source _____

If from gambling, how much did you spend to win this amount \$ _____

- YES NO Do you work at least 900 hours during the school year as a K-12 teacher, counselor, principal or aide in a public or private school?
If yes, total out-of-pocket expenses for classroom supplies, books, etc. Amount \$ _____
- YES NO Do you have medical / dental insurance? Amount of premiums paid with after tax dollars (Do **NOT** include premiums paid by payroll deductions pre-tax.) \$ _____
- YES NO Did you have medical / dental expenses not reimbursed by insurance or Health Care Reimbursement plan? (**Include** all co-pays and deductibles.)
 Amount \$ _____ Mileage to medical appointments: _____ miles
- YES NO Did you buy tags for a boat, truck, trailer, or pay other personal property tax?
- | If YES, amount(s) | Model | Used for Business | |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|----|
| \$ _____ | _____ | YES | NO |
| \$ _____ | _____ | YES | NO |
- YES NO Do you own your home? (Attach Form 1098)
 Mortgage interest paid \$ _____ Real estate taxes paid \$ _____
- YES NO Did you refinance your home this tax year? (Attach Settlement Statement and Form 1098)
- YES NO Did you sell your home? (**If yes**, attach Closing Settlement Statements for both the original purchase and the current sale)
 Date purchased _____ Original cost \$ _____ Date sold _____
- YES NO Did you lose a home to foreclosure?
- YES NO Did you purchase a new home? (**If yes**, attach Closing Settlement Statement.)
 Date purchased _____ (**If yes**, did you or your spouse, if married, own a home in your name in the three years prior to this new home purchase? _____)
- YES NO Do you own land, a vacation home, recreational vehicles, or other real estate not previously listed?
If yes, attach list of all related expenses including mortgage interest, real estate taxes.
- YES NO Did you purchase any added energy saving items such as insulation, instant water heater, etc. or replace any doors or windows? **If yes**, please attach sales receipts.
- YES NO Did you purchase a hybrid vehicle?
- YES NO Did you (or your spouse) make gifts totaling more than \$13,000 to any individual during the year?
If yes, Recipient name: _____ Relationship to you: _____
 Gift: _____ Address: _____
- YES NO Did you incur auto mileage for any volunteer work you did for any charity or church work?
 Total Miles for the year: _____

YES NO Did you make any monetary (cash, check) donations to charity? Attach separate sheet if needed.

IRS REQUIRED: RECEIPTS MUST BE ATTACHED FOR ALL DONATIONS

Charity name	Amount Donated

YES NO Did you make any non-cash donations to charity? Attach additional sheet if necessary.

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Charity Name and Address	Property Donated	Date Donated	Date Acquired	Original Cost	Fair Market Value at Time of Donation

YES NO Did you move your residence this year AND start work at a new location?

YES NO Did you move for business reasons?

YES NO Did you move a home office?

Distance from old home: To old job _____ To new job _____
 Distance from new home: To old job _____ To new job _____

(For the following - Do not include costs of house hunting or meals)

Amount paid for moving and storage of household goods \$ _____

Costs of travel and lodging during shipment of household goods \$ _____

Did you receive **any** reimbursement for your move? YES or NO Amount \$ _____

Date of move _____ Still employed at new job? YES or NO Date left: _____

YES NO Did you have a theft or casualty loss? **If yes**, attach a separate sheet listing items lost, date purchased, original cost, value when lost, value after loss, amount reimbursed by insurance, date of incident, and explanation of what happened.

YES NO Did you pay for tax return preparation or consultation during the year? Amount \$ _____

YES NO Do you have a safety deposit box? Cost paid \$ _____

YES NO Did you pay for investment advice? Amount \$ _____ For _____

YES NO Did you pay a nanny or other household employee cash wages during the tax year? **If yes**, provide copies of W-2, payroll reports, and/or 1099.

PART VII: REQUEST FOR ELECTRONIC FILING / METHOD OF REFUND / SHIPPING

It is understood that the Internal Revenue Service has the right to process refunds in whatever way and time frame they deem appropriate. It is also understood that there is no guarantee or promise made by Profitpointe of a quicker refund.

ELECTRONIC FILING

- Yes, electronically file this tax return. PLEASE NOTE: Effective January 1, 2011 new IRS laws require our firm efile ALL 1040, 1041 & 990 tax returns for individuals, estates, and trusts.**
(Your Tax Return can be e-filed up until October 15th of the filing year.)
- No, do not electronically file this tax return.** (If you prefer not to have your return efiled as per the new IRS Law, we can file Form 8944 for a Hardship Waiver on your behalf so that you can paper file your return. Charge for this form is \$95.) **NOT RECOMMENDED.**

CLIENT COPY FORMAT (Please check preferred.)

- Yes, I want to **GO GREEN!** Make my tax return copy in PDF format on a CD at **no additional charge.**
- Traditional: I prefer a paper copy of my tax return for my records.
- I would like one of each, a CD with a PDF copy and a traditional paper copy of my tax returns. I understand there will be a \$25 charge for the additional copy I am electing with this option.

METHOD OF REFUND (Please check appropriate selections.)

- No refund is expected on this tax return. Anticipated amount you expect to owe: \$ _____
- A paper check mailed from the Internal Revenue Service is preferred.
(A paper check is the only option for an AMENDED RETURN.)
- Direct Deposit - There is no charge for direct deposit and it generally expedites your refund. The IRS will direct deposit your refund into your bank account. Profitpointe advises you to verify the deposit has actually been credited to your bank account before writing checks or otherwise using these funds. **Note: You must include a voided check to be taped on the back of this page.**
 Checking Savings Routing # _____ Account # _____
- Apply any refund to next year's taxes.

METHOD OF PAYMENT FOR PROFITPOINTE SERVICES

- I will pay by cash or check.
- I will pay by EFT from my bank account.*
- I will pay by credit card.*
*Please use my Payment Authorization ___ On file ___ Attached

METHOD OF DELIVERY

- I will pick up my finished tax return.
- Please ship my finished tax return. (Shipping fee applies.)

