101+ Real Estate Agent Deductions

Advertising

Billboard Brochures /Flyers **Business Cards Copy Editor Fees** Direct Mail **Email Marketing/Newsletters Graphic Designer Fees** Internet Ads(Facebook/Google/etc) Leads/Mailing Lists **Marketing Services Networking Event Costs** Postcards Print Ads: Newspapers/Magazine **Promotional Materials** Radio Ads Signage/Banners **Television Ads** Web Design Web Hosting & Domain Fees

Agent Improvement

Books(Sales Books, RE Books, Etc) Continuing Education Magazine Subscriptions Newsletter Subscriptions Sales Training/Coaching Seminars Textbooks/Reference Books Trade Publications

<u>Auto</u>

Business Mileage (55 1/2¢ /mile) or Actual Auto Expenses

- Car Washes
- Depreciation/Lease Payments
- Gas
- Insurance
- Interest
- Licenses/Registration
- Maintenance
- Repairs
 - Repairs
- Tires
- Both Methods can deduct
 - Parking
 - Tolls

Business Travel

Airfare Car Rental Dry Cleaning/Laundry Lodging Meals Parking/Tolls Taxi, Train, Subway, Bus Tips

Business Meals

Business Entertainment

Communication

Answering Services Cell Phone Service Fax Expenses/Efax Interactive Voice Response (IVR) Internet Service Office Telephone/VOIP Pagers (for those of you that still have one!) Toll Free Number

Equipment

Briefcase Calculator Camera/Lenses Cell Phone/Smart Phone Cleaning Equipment (Vacuum) Computer **Equipment Repair** Flashlight GPS Hard Drives/Thumb Drives Ipad/Tablet PC/Android Laptop Lock Boxes/Lock Smiths/Keys Maps Printer Scanner Staging Items- Furniture Tape Measure Video Camera

Employee Wages

Clerical Support Family Members (Kids/Spouse) Payroll/Unemployment Taxes Sales Assistant Virtual Assistant

Health Insurance

- **Home Office**
- Insurance Mortgage Interest/Rent Property Taxes Repairs/Maintenance Security System Utilities

Office Expenses

Desk Fees Client Refreshments(coffee,water,soda) Copier Fees Janitorial expenses Office Furniture

- Bookshelves
- Chair



- Desk
- Filing Cabinets
- **Office Supplies**
 - Envelopes
 - Folders
 - Paper
 - Pens
 - Postage
 - Stationary
 - Toner/Ink
- Office Rent

Online Storage of Business Files Software

Professional Fees

- Association Dues/Fees
 - NAR
 - NAIREB
 - NAREB
 - NAEBA
 - CREA
- Chamber of Commerce Bank Fees
- Bookkeeping Fees Business Licenses E&O Insurance Franchise/Affiliation Fees Interest on Business Purchases Legal Fees MLS Fees Tax Prep Fees

<u>Retirement</u>

Defined Benefit Plan Self Employment Pension (SEP) Simple IRA Solo 401k

Selling Expenses

Appraisal Fees CL100 Fees Client Gifts (<\$25 per client) Closing Attorney Fees Concessions Courier Services/Delivery Fees Finder Fees/Referral Fees Home Repairs to sell listed property Home Warranty Inspection Fees Notary Fees Open House Expenses Photo Editing Staging Fees

Start up Expenses

Costs incurred before going into business. Also includes organizational costs.

Use this checklist as a starting point for gathering your deductible expenses. Please note that there are certain rules that need to be taken into account in order to legally write off some of these expenses. Call or email me, Fred Podris, and I would love to help you write off every possible deduction that applies to you.

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