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# **Business Tax**

# CHECKLIST

To obtain a Lee County Business Tax Receipt, complete and submit a Business Tax Application and provide the following:

**CHECK ONE:** Original Transfer

#### **Business Name:**

If your business is operating and/or advertising under a name other than your full legal name, a corporate name, LLC, LLP, Partnership or Trademark, attorney, regulated by Department of Business & Professional Regulation, or the Department of Health, a Fictitious Name Registration is required.

# **Zoning Approval:**

Prior to the issuance of the Lee County Business Tax Receipt, the business location must be properly zoned.

# **City Locations:**

<ul> <li>If the business is located within city limits, a city business tax receipt or city zoning approval must be obtained before applying for a county business tax receipt.</li> </ul>	Contact the appropriate agency:	
	<u>Bonita Springs</u>	239-444-6150
	Cape Coral	239-574-0430
	Fort Myers	239-321-7990
	Fort Myers Beach	239-765-0202
	<u>Sanibel</u>	239-472-9615
	Village of Estero	239-221-5035

# **Unincorporated Lee County:**

- □ If the business is operating from a residential location and the type of business is on the **Zoning Exemption List**, complete the **Home/Truck affidavit** and submit the signature page with your application.
- □ If the business is operating in a commercial location, contact <u>Lee County Community Development</u> for zoning requirements and approval at 1500 Monroe St., Ft. Myers, 239-533-8329.
- □ If the business is located outside Lee County, provide a copy, if issued, of the current city or county business tax receipt.

# EIN or Social Security #:

An Employer ID Number (EIN) or Social Security Number is required.

### **Tangible Taxes:**

□ After issuance of your Business Tax Receipt contact the **Property Appraiser's office** at 239.533.6100.

#### **Regulated Certificates or Licenses:**

A copy of the current Lee County or State of Florida certification is required. Contact the appropriate agency to obtain the required certificate or license.

Auto repair, paint and body shop, health, or physical fitness <u>Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services</u> (DACS)	800-435-7352
<ul> <li>Contractor - State certified</li> <li><u>Department of Business and Professional Regulation</u> (DBPR)</li> </ul>	850-487-1395
Pest Control Company     Bureau of Entomology and Pest Control (BEPC)	850-617-7997
<ul> <li>Professional Landscaping Company</li> <li><u>Best Management Practices</u> (BMP) / University of Florida (IFAS)</li> </ul>	239-533-7503
<ul> <li>Professional such as a doctor, nurse, therapist, etc.</li> <li><u>Department of Health</u> (DOH)</li> </ul>	850-488-0595
<ul> <li>State Certified Business or Professional such as a certified public accountant, hotel, restaurant, cosmetology, pawnbroker, etc.</li> <li>Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR)</li> </ul>	850-487-1395

#### License Transfers:

- Complete a new Business Tax Application.
- □ Submit the current Lee County Business Tax Receipt.
- □ Provide a copy of the bill of sale or other documentation of ownership changes.

### **Miscellaneous Maintenance:**

A business operating under category property maintenance or miscellaneous maintenance or repair service, etc. is very restrictive in nature. The owner must submit a signed <u>Miscellaneous</u>
 <u>Maintenance Affidavit</u>. This form may be obtained by visiting our official website
 <u>www.LeeTC.com/forms-and-documents/</u> and looking under the Business Tax tab.



Lee County Tax Collector

For more information, visit: LeeTC.com/businesses