

Tax Season Preparation

In preparation for tax season, below is a checklist of events and documents that are most common for our clients. **Please use this as a guide as you accumulate your pertinent tax files.** If you have any questions or want to discuss a significant event, please reach out to Jacob at jhsolutionsllctax@gmail.com or jacob@wesfairadvisory.com.

SIGNIFICANT LIFE EVENTS

- ✓ Marital status change
- New family member
- Purchase or sold a home or investment property
- Moved to a new city or state
- Changed jobs or received a material promotion
- Retirement
- Received an inheritance

OTHER

- ✓ Estimated taxes paid during year
- Foreign bank account information
- Bank account information for direct deposit
- Copy of last year's tax return (new clients)

COMMON TAX DOCUMENTS

- ✓ W-2 Form - Wages
- 1099-INT or 1099-DIV - Interest income and dividends from investments
- 1099-MISC or other forms connected with income from services/work
- 1099-R - For IRA and retirement plan distribution
- SA- 1099 - Social Security and Medicare
- K-1 Form - Investments in partnerships, S-Corps and real estate
- 1098-E - Student loans interest
- 1098-T - Tuition paid for higher education & other education experiences
- 1098 Form - Mortgage interest and real estate taxes paid
- 1095 - Health Insurance Forms
- Rental property income/expenses/profit or loss statements

COMMON ADJUSTMENTS AND DEDUCTIONS/CREDITS *Requires documentation upon request*

- ✓ Charitable donations (For 2020 Tax Year: \$300 of charity is allowable regardless of standard deduction)
- For Teachers: Class room expenses that are unreimbursed
- Medical & Dental Expenses if greater than 7.5% of what you earn (NJ Resident: Greater than 2%)
- Real estate taxes paid
- Investment interest expense
- Child care cost (need provider's name, address, tax ID, and amount paid)
- Misc. tax deductions: Union dues, unreimbursed employee expenses (uniforms, seminars, education, travel, etc)
- Business use of home
- Moving expenses in connection with changing a job to a different location than your original home
- General moving expenses
- Qualifying energy-efficient home improvements
- Contributions to a retirement plan or medical savings account (or equivalent=HSA/MSA) outside of primary job

- 401k, 403b, Traditional IRA, Roth IRA, Simple, SEP IRA