Real Estate Agent Tax Deduction Checklist

As a real estate professional, tracking your business expenses throughout the year can lead to significant tax savings. Use this checklist to help identify common deductions and keep your finances organized. From mileage to marketing, every write-off counts—so be proactive and stay prepared for tax season!

VEHICLE & TRAVEL EXPENSES	
Mileage driven for business (track via mileage log or app) Parking fees and tolls	Auto loan interest (if vehicle is used for business)Car washes (if showing clients)
HOME OFFICE DEDUCTION	
Portion of rent/mortgage (based on office sq. footage) Utilities (electric, internet, water, gas)	Home insurance (portion used for business) Office furniture and equipment (desk, chair, lighting) Repairs and maintenance for office area
TECHNOLOGY & OFFICE SUPPLIES	
Cell phone and service (business portion) Computer, printer, monitor Office supplies (paper, pens, folders, etc.)	Software (CRM, accounting, e-signature tools) Website hosting and domain fees Business apps and subscriptions (Zoom, Canva, etc.)
MARKETING & ADVERTISING	
Business cards, flyers, brochures Social media ads and digital marketing Signs and banners	Photography, videography, and staging costs Promotional items (swag, giveaways)
Real estate courses and certifications Books and industry publications	Coaching and mentorship programs Conferences, webinars, and workshops

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PROFESSIONAL FEES & DUES		
Real estate license renewal MLS fees Association dues (NAR, state/local boards)	Legal or consulting fees Tax preparation or accounting services	
CLIENT-RELATED EXPENSES		
Closing gifts Client meals (50% deductible)	Event or party costs (client appreciation events) Referral thank-you gifts	
Insurance (E&O, general liability, etc.) Bank fees on business accounts Business loan or credit card interest	Assistant or virtual assistant costs Transaction coordinator fees	
BONUS TIPS		
 Keep detailed receipts and categorize them monthly. Use a business bank account or credit card for easier tracking. Use a mileage tracker app for accurate auto deductions. Talk to a CPA who understands real estate to maximize your deductions. 		

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