Essential Bookkeeping Checklist

Your Year-Round Task Tracker

The essential to-dos to check weekly, mid-month, monthly, quarterly, and annually!

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Weekly

Enter transactions from your bank feed. Label it and assign it a category.

Review your open invoices. Does anyone owe you money?

Review your payment processors (Stripe, Square, etc). Has anything declined?

Mid-Month

Pay your bills.

Pay yourself (if paying yourself 2x a month), and set some money aside for tax savings.

Take a peek at your reports. Are you on track for the current month?

Monthly

Reconcile all your bank and credit card accounts.

Pay yourself for the month (or second half) and set some money aside for tax savings.

Review your reports! How are you doing? Are you reaching your goals?

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Annually	
Catch up on bookkeeping for the year.	
Gather your documentation for your taxes and send it to your tax preparer.	
Reconcile all accounts with bank statements.	
Gather W9s for 1099s due by Jan 31.	
Collect business expenses paid from personal accounts.	
Perform physical inventory count and reconcile.	
Verify payroll records match your books.	

saving each month!

Review your quarterly reports and look at the bigger picture. Are you on track to meet your goals?

Pay your estimated taxes. Should be a piece of cake if you've been

Do you need to make adjustments for the next quarter?

Quarterly





Review open receivables and follow up on collections.

Review open payables; ensure payments are made if on cash basis.

Review asset purchases; consult tax preparer for depreciation/expense.

Plan for the upcoming year: rates, payroll raises, expenses, and new costs.

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Have any questions about this checklist? Or stuck on bookkeeping in general?

Send me a direct message on Instagram or head to my website and schedule a call!



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