West Virginia
OFFICE OF BUSINESS REGISTRATION
APPLICATIONS AND INSTRUCTIONS
FOR BUSINESS STARTUP

Working to Serve You Better!
This booklet is designed to simplify the process of starting a business in West Virginia. Getting your business off to a good start depends on you. If you read this information carefully, take each step in order and complete forms accurately, the process will be fast and easy.

Choosing the type of business is a big decision which will effect how the business is owned and operated; who will be liable for the debts and obligations of the business; who will have a right to the assets of the business; and your tax status. The Small Business Development Center, a division of the West Virginia Development Office, will provide managerial and technical assistance, financing and loan packaging information, education and training in a variety of areas. See their contact information on page 14.

**STEP 1: Organization — Filing with the Secretary of State**

If you are starting a sole proprietorship or a general partnership, go on to step 2. If you are forming a corporation, association, limited liability company, limited partnership or limited liability partnership, you must first file organization papers with the Secretary of State whether you are based inside or outside of the State. Your other registration and licensing applications will not be processed until this step is completed. See pages 3 and 4 for more information.

**STEP 2: Registration — Filing with Tax and Employer Agencies**

Every person or company intending to do business in this State, including every individual who is self-employed or hires employees, must obtain a business registration certificate from the West Virginia State Tax Department. (See Section A, pages 11 & 12 - red form).

Every person or company (with very few exceptions) with employees in this State must file for Unemployment Compensation coverage, (see Section B, page 13 - gold form) and obtain Workers’ Compensation Insurance coverage. (see page 14). IMPORTANT - West Virginia employers are now required by law to obtain Workers’ Compensation insurance coverage for their employees from a private insurance company. Effective January 1, 2006, the State of West Virginia no longer provides this coverage. PLEASE REFER TO Page 14.

After reviewing this booklet, COMPLETE AND SIGN the application and mail all four pages intact in the envelope provided to the West Virginia State Tax Department, Office of Business Registration. If you prefer, you may visit one of the offices listed on page 15 to register your business.

**STEP 3: Licensing — Applying for Special Licenses or Permits from Licensing Boards and Regulatory Agencies**

Many businesses perform work that is regulated. The work you do may require one or more special licenses or permits. If you indicate on the tax registration form that you are doing construction related work, the Contractor’s Licensing Board will send you an application form.

Many other licenses are listed on pages 16 and 17. Review the list carefully to determine if you need licenses or permits for the type of business you will operate. If you perform a specialized service which you believe might require a license but don’t find it listed, call the agency most likely to handle that service to inquire.
If you are starting a sole proprietorship or a general partnership, go to page 5. You are not required to file with the Secretary of State.

You must first get your business officially organized by filing with the Secretary of State if you are forming one of the types of businesses listed in the chart below. The chart also lists the necessary documents which must be filed for both West Virginia based companies and out-of-state companies wanting to conduct business within the State. Other agencies will not process your application for registration until registration with the Secretary of State has been completed and a control number has been obtained.

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After you’ve chosen the type of business you want to start:

Choose a business name and make sure it is available before your filings are prepared.

If you are forming any type of business listed in the chart on page 3, you must use a name that is distinguishable from any other name which is registered or reserved with the West Virginia Secretary of State by any other company.

- You may use the form below to apply for a 120-day reservation of the name. Call (304) 558-8000 first to make sure the name is available. Be sure to check the box if you need forms. An acknowledgment will be returned.
- Upon completion and approval of all forms required by the Secretary of State’s Office, you will receive a control number which must be entered on line 5k of your application with the West Virginia State Tax Department. The application will not be processed without this control number.

Obtain the correct form to organize the business, or have your attorney or accountant prepare the filings.

To obtain forms or information please contact the Secretary of State’s Office by visiting their web site at www.wvsos.com, or by calling 304-558-8000 or by coming to the Secretary of State’s Office at 1900 Kanawha Blvd., Room W-151 on the first floor of the main Capitol building.

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**APPLICATION TO SECRETARY OF STATE FOR NAME RESERVATION**

The undersigned applies, pursuant to the provisions of law cited below which are applicable to the form of business intended, to reserve the name listed below for a period of one hundred twenty (120) days:

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Please send forms to organize type of company marked above.

Please Print or Type:

Applicant Name: ________________________________________________________

Applicant Address: _______________________________________________________

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**Acknowledgment**

[ ] Name reserved; _________ ; reservation expires __________

[ ] Name not available; call to check new name before reapplying

[ ] Conflict attached, name will be acceptable if consent is obtained in writing from attached corporation.

By: ________________________________________________________________

Fee for Name Reservation: $15.00

Payable to: Secretary of State

Mail to: Corporations Division

Secretary of State

Building 1, Room W-151

1900 Kanawha Blvd., East

Charleston, WV 25305-0770

Telephone: (304) 558-8000
Persons or corporations intending to do business in West Virginia must first apply for a Business Registration Certificate. A separate certificate is required for each fixed business location from which property or services are offered for sale or lease or at which customer accounts may be opened, closed or serviced. When filing the initial application (Form WV/BUS-APP), there may not be a remittance due. If your business income was more than $4,000.00 in all states for the previous filing year, there is a $30.00 registration due for a two year certificate; however, if this is your first business venture, in state or out-of-state, there is no registration fee due. The Business Registration fee cannot be prorated.

When the application is processed, the West Virginia State Tax Department will assign a State identification number to the taxpayer and issue a Business Registration Certificate. If the business has employees, the State Identification Number will be based on the Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN), which is assigned by the Internal Revenue Service. If the business does not have a FEIN but has employees, a temporary number will be assigned by the West Virginia State Tax Department until a FEIN is issued. If the business is a sole proprietorship with no employees, the individual’s Social Security number will serve as the basis for the State Identification number. To request the SS-4 forms to obtain a taxpayer identification number from the Internal Revenue Service, call 1-800-829-4933. Once you complete your SS-4 form, you may apply for your FEIN by mail or by calling the 800 number above or by visiting website www.irs.gov. Type in keyword EIN, click on search, then click on second item TAX TOPICS - Topic 755 EIN - How To Apply. When you receive your FEIN notify West Virginia State Tax Department so your temporary number can be changed in our computer file.

The Business Registration Certificate is a permit to conduct business in the State and must be displayed at all times at the place of business. Contractors must also have a copy of their Business Registration Certificate available at each of their construction sites until the work at that site is completed.

WHO IS REQUIRED TO REGISTER?
Any person who is engaging in any business activity in the state of West Virginia must register with the West Virginia State Tax Department before commencing business activities in this State. This includes, but is not limited to, any individual, firm, partnership, joint venture, association, corporation, estate, trust, business trust, receiver, syndicate, club, society or other group or combination acting as unit, body politic or political subdivision. Churches and nonprofit organizations are not considered to be “businesses” or engaged in business or subject to any other tax laws by the mere completion of The Application For Business Registration.

WHAT IS CONSIDERED A BUSINESS ACTIVITY?
A business activity is all purposeful revenue-generating activity engaged in or caused to be engaged in with the object of gain or economic benefit, either direct or indirect. This also includes all activities of this State and its political subdivisions which involve the sale of tangible personal property or the rendering of a service when such service activities compete with or may compete with the activities of another person.

ARE ALL BUSINESSES REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A WEST VIRGINIA BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE?
No. Persons engaged in the following activities are not required to register if they engage solely in these activities.

1. Judicial sales directed by law or court order.
2. Sales for delinquent taxes of real or personal property.
3. The conduct of a charitable bingo licensed under West Virginia Code § 47-20 or charitable raffle licensed under West Virginia Code § 47-21.
4. The conduct of a horse or dog race meeting by any racing association licensed under West Virginia Code § 19-23.
5. The operation or maintenance of the pari-mutuel system of wagering during the conduct of a licensed horse or dog race meeting.
6. The sale of any commodity during the conduct of a licensed horse or dog race meeting.
7. The services of owners, trainers or jockeys which are essential to the effective conduct of a licensed horse or dog race meeting.
8. Occasional or casual sales of property or services by persons not engaged in a business activity.

Additionally, any person engaging in a business activity who:
1. Is not required by law to collect any tax or withhold a tax; and
2. Does not claim exemption from payment of the West Virginia Consumers Sales and Service Tax or Use Tax; and
3. Had a gross income from business activity of $4,000.00 dollars or less from operations in all states during the Income Tax year most recently completed is also not required to obtain a Business Registration Certificate.

In order to claim this exemption from registration, all three conditions must be met.

MUST EVERYONE PAY THE $30.00 BUSINESS REGISTRATION FEE?
No. Any person who is engaging in any business activity in this state is required to obtain a Business Registration Certificate, but is not required to pay the $30.00 Business Registration Fee if they meet one of the following conditions.

1. Any persons who had gross income from business activity of $4,000.00 or less from operation in all states for the income tax year most recently completed.
2. An organization which qualifies, or would qualify, for exemption from federal income taxes under section 501 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
3. This State, or a political subdivision thereof, selling tangible personal property, admissions or services when those activities compete with or may compete with the activities of another person.
4. The United States, or any agency or instrumentality thereof, which is exempt from taxation by the states.
5. A person engaged in the business of agriculture or farming.
6. A foreign retailer, who is not engaging in a business in this state, who volunteers to collect and remit Use Tax on sales to West Virginia customers.

HOW DO I REGISTER?
To register with the West Virginia State Tax Department, you must complete the Application for Registration Certificate (Form WV/BUS-APP) in this booklet and return to: West Virginia State Tax Department, PO Box 11425, Charleston, West Virginia 25339-1425.
WHAT HAPPENS AFTER I HAVE COMPLETED THE APPLICATION AND MAILED IT TO THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE TAX DEPARTMENT?
Upon receipt of your Application for Registration Certificate, we will determine what tax return forms you should receive by reviewing the application. After we receive your completed application, you will receive your West Virginia Business Registration Certificate which will include your West Virginia Tax Identification Number. Tax forms are computer addressed and will be mailed to you prior to their due dates.

WHAT DO I DO WITH THE WEST VIRGINIA BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE?
The Business Registration Certificate must be posted conspicuously in the place where you are conducting business.

Businesses that sell tangible personal property or services from or out of one or more vehicles, must carry a copy of their Business Registration Certificate in each vehicle and publicly display it while business is conducted from or out of the vehicle.

Any person engaging in any contracting business or activity must have a copy of their Business Registration Certificate available at each construction site in West Virginia until their work is complete at that site.

HOW LONG IS MY BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE VALID?
The Business Registration Certificate is valid for two years beginning July 1st of one year and ending June 30th of the second year. When you register your business you will be issued a Business Registration Certificate which reflects the two year registration period.

DO I HAVE TO RENEW MY BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE?
Yes. As long as you continue to conduct business, your Business Registration Certificate must be renewed once every two years on or before July 1st. A renewal application will be mailed to you in May prior to the end of your registration period. To renew your certificate, all you have to do is complete the renewal application and return it to the West Virginia State Tax Department with the $30.00 registration fee, if applicable.

WHAT IF I DON'T OBTAIN A BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE BEFORE COMMENCING BUSINESS?
Engaging in business within the State of West Virginia, without obtaining a Business Registration Certificate when required by law, is a serious offense and could subject you to penalties of up to $100.00 a day for each day you continue to operate your business without a license.

WHAT IF I ANTICIPATE DOING BUSINESS IN WEST VIRGINIA FROM OUTSIDE OF THE STATE AND UNSURE OF MY TAX LIABILITY TO WEST VIRGINIA?
Call our automated form ordering system ((304)344-2068 or 1-800-422-2075) and request WV/NEXUS (nexus questionnaire). Complete the questionnaire and Application for Registration Certificate and mail in the envelope provided in this booklet.

The filing of an application for Registration Certificate or the renewal application and payment of the registration fee may not be construed by the Tax Commissioner or the Courts of this State as consent, submission or admission by the registrant to the general taxing jurisdiction of this State. Any liability for such other taxes imposed by this State shall depend upon the relevant facts in each case and the relevant law.

QUESTIONS ABOUT TAXES OR TAX RETURNS CAN BE ANSWERED BY CONTACTING:
TAXPAYER SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. Box 3784
Charleston, WV 25337-3784
Telephone: (304) 558-3333 or 1-800-WVA-TAXS (1-800-982-8297) or
In person at 1206 Quarrier Street, Charleston, West Virginia.

REGIONAL TAX OFFICES

BECKLEY REGIONAL OFFICE
407 Neville Street, Suite 109
Beckley, WV 25801
(304) 256-6764

HUNTINGTON REGIONAL OFFICE
2699 Park Avenue, Suite 230
Huntington, WV 25704
(304) 528-5568

MARTINSBURG REGIONAL OFFICE
397 Mid Atlantic Parkway, Suite 2
Martinsburg, WV 25404
(304) 267-0022

NORTH CENTRAL REGIONAL OFFICE
Huntington Banks Office Bldg.
230 West Pike Street
Clarksburg, WV 26301
(304) 627-2109

PARKERSBURG REGIONAL OFFICE
400 - 5th Street
Parkersburg, WV 26101
(304) 420-4570

WHEELING REGIONAL OFFICE
40 - 14th Street
Wheeling, WV 26003
(304) 238-1152
DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND EXCISE TAXES

BEER BARREL TAX: The Beer Barrel Tax is an excise tax levied upon the in-state sale, use, handling or distribution of alcoholic beer whether manufactured within or outside of West Virginia.

BUSINESS AND OCCUPATION TAX: The Business and Occupation Tax is a privilege tax imposed on natural gas, water, sewer and electric power public utilities, electric power generators, natural gas storage operators and manufacturers of synthetic fuel.

BUSINESS FRANCHISE TAX: The Business Franchise Tax is a tax on the privilege of doing business in West Virginia. All corporations, both foreign and domestic, all S corporations and partnerships are subject to the tax.

TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX: The Tobacco Product Tax is an excise tax on the sale of cigarettes and other tobacco products. Revenue indicia, which are stamps and meter impressions, must be affixed to the bottom of each package of cigarettes sold in West Virginia.

CONSUMERS SALES AND USE TAXES: The Consumers Sales and Service Tax and the Use Tax impose a duty on vendors to collect a tax from purchasers and to remit all receipts of this tax to the West Virginia State Tax Department. The tax must be collected on the sale, lease or rental of tangible personal property and certain services. All sales and services are presumed to be subject to the tax unless an exemption is clearly established. Vendors who fail to collect the tax will be held personally liable for payment of the tax.

Certain businesses and organizations are allowed exemptions from the tax when they make purchases for use or consumption in their exempt business activities. There are three ways in which these exemptions may be claimed. Tax exemption certificates can be issued by the purchaser on certain exempt transactions. Other businesses may claim their exemption by applying to the West Virginia State Tax Department and being granted a direct pay permit. Persons granted direct pay permits pay sales tax on their taxable purchases directly to the West Virginia State Tax Department. The acceptance of a properly executed exemption certificate or proof of direct pay status from a purchaser relieves the vendor of collecting the sales tax. All other persons must pay sales tax on purchases to the vendor and then apply for a refund or credit of tax paid on their exempt purchases from the West Virginia State Tax Department.

CORPORATION NET INCOME TAX: The Corporation Net Income Tax is a tax on the West Virginia taxable income of every domestic or foreign corporation which enjoys the benefits and protection of the government and laws in the State of West Virginia or derives income from property, activity or other sources in West Virginia. The term “corporation” includes a joint-stock company and any association or other organization which is taxable as a corporation under federal income tax laws.

MOTOR FUEL EXCISE TAX: An Excise Tax is imposed on gasoline and special fuel (diesel fuel and any other gas or liquid product which is commonly used or practically suited for use as fuel in an internal combustion engine).

LIQUOR/WINE RETAIL TAX: A municipal tax of 5% is imposed on every person who holds an off premises retail wine or liquor license. The tax must be collected by the retailer and remitted each month to the West Virginia State Tax Department.

HEALTH CARE TAXES: The Broad Based Health Care Related Taxes and the Severance and Business Privilege Taxes for Providers of Health Care Items and Services are imposed on the privilege of engaging in or continuing in the activity of providing health care services within the State of West Virginia. The taxes apply to gross receipts received or receivable as of June 1, 1993 from all sources (Medicaid, Medicare, private pay or third-party payor).

INTERNATIONAL FUEL TAX AGREEMENT (IFTA)/MOTOR CARRIER ROAD TAX: Carriers based in West Virginia who operate qualified motor vehicles (3 or more axles or over 26,000 gvw) in both West Virginia and at least one other state must apply for IFTA credentials and must report all mileage and fuel usage quarterly. Carriers who operate any road tractor, tractor truck or any truck with more than 2 axles solely within the State must obtain West Virginia Motor Carrier decals and may report on an annual basis.

SEVERANCE TAX: Severance Taxes are imposed on the privilege of engaging or continuing in the activity of severing, extracting, reducing to possession and producing for sale, profit or commercial use any natural resource product or products. Also, processing and treatment of coal will be subject to the tax. The measure of the tax is the total gross value of the natural resource products severed and the value added by processing of raw coal into a commercial product or units of production (e.g., tons of coal).

SOFT DRINKS TAX: The Soft Drink Tax is an excise tax levied upon the sale, use handling or distribution of bottled soft drinks, syrups and powder bases prepared for mixing soft drinks, whether manufactured within or outside West Virginia.

WINE LITER TAX: An Excise Tax is levied upon all wine sold by suppliers to distributors, with the exception of wine sold to the Alcohol Beverage Control Commissioner (ABCC). The term “wine” includes any alcoholic beverage obtained by the natural fermentation of the natural content of fruits, honey or other agricultural products containing sugar and to which no alcohol has been added.

WITHHOLDING TAX: Every employer doing business in West Virginia and making payment of wages to employees must withhold West Virginia Income Tax from such wages. Amounts required to be withheld and paid over are considered a tax on the employer for purposes of assessment and collection. Withholding is required by partnerships, S corporations, estates or trusts who have income derived from West Virginia sources taxable to non-resident partners, shareholders or beneficiaries. (W.Va. Code § 11-21-71a). Taxes collected through withholding are held in trust for the Tax Commissioner and submitted to the Revenue Division on or before the respective due dates. Visit our website: www.state.wv.us/taxdiv for employers’ withholding instructions and tax tables.
YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS A WEST VIRGINIA TAXPAYER

The employees of the West Virginia State Tax Department are here to assist you in complying with your responsibilities as a West Virginia taxpayer. The following are some important points that will help you in meeting these obligations.

FILING YOUR BUSINESS TAX RETURNS

The Tax Division makes every effort to provide businesses with the proper tax forms prior to the due date of the tax return. However, it is your responsibility to insure that your return is filed by the due date and the lack of the proper form is not considered reasonable cause for not filing a timely tax return. If you do not receive the proper form from the Department you may obtain forms by calling the automated form ordering system. The telephone number is (304)344-2068 or toll free 1-800-422-2075. You may also obtain forms from any of our regional field offices listed on page 6 of this booklet.

If you are required to file monthly or quarterly tax returns you must file the return even though you owe no tax. Failure to file returns will result in your account being referred to our Compliance Division for corrective action. Please file all required tax returns even if you owe no tax for the reporting period.

PAYMENT OF THE TAX

The full amount of tax that you owe is due and payable on the due date of the tax return. Failure to pay the full amount of tax by the due date will result in interest and penalties being added to any unpaid amount of tax. If for any reason you are unable to pay the full amount of tax on the due date you should file your tax return along with a written explanation of why you are unable to pay and when you will pay the tax due. The employees of the Tax Division are here to assist you. Anytime you find you cannot file a tax return or pay the tax due contact us. We are here to help!

PENALTIES AND INTEREST

Interest and additions to tax (a penalty) attach by law to any amount of tax not paid on or before the due date of the tax return.

The law requires the Tax Commissioner to establish interest rates for tax underpayments based on the adjusted prime rate. This rate will never be less than 8% per year and is determined every six months.

Additions to tax (penalties) are imposed for failure to file a required tax return by the due date and/or late payment of the tax due. The penalty for failure to file a return is 5% per month, up to 25%. The penalty for failure to pay the tax due is ½ of 1% per month, up to 25%. These penalties may both be imposed when you fail to timely file your return and pay the tax due. You may reduce the amount of penalties assessed by filing your tax return on the due date even if you require additional time to pay the tax.

A special penalty of $50.00 is imposed for failure to renew your state business license.

There are harsher penalties for operating a business without a license, filing a false return or the willful and knowing failure to pay a tax. These may include criminal penalties.

IF YOU SELL OR DISCONTINUE YOUR BUSINESS

One of the most common problems encountered by taxpayers occurs when a person ceases to do business and does not inform the Licensing Agencies. This often results in unnecessary billing and collection activities, which can be very difficult and time consuming for both the agencies involved and the taxpayer/client to resolve. You may avoid unnecessary corrective measures by notifying each Licensing Agency as soon as possible when you sell or discontinue your business. You should also file final tax returns for each tax you are required to file with the West Virginia State Tax Department.

THE BILLING AND COLLECTION PROCESS

If you fail to file a required business tax return, file a tax return without payment of the tax or fail to file on or before the due date, you will receive a notice from the West Virginia State Tax Department. To protect your rights, it is very important that you respond, in writing to these notices immediately.

If you fail to respond to the notice, an assessment of tax due will be issued by the West Virginia State Tax Department. This assessment is the means by which the West Virginia State Tax Department establishes a legal tax liability. If you disagree with the assessment for any reason, you are entitled to an administrative hearing to present your reasons. If you fail to respond to the assessment within 60 days, the assessment becomes final, conclusive and payable and is not subject to administrative or judicial review.

Once the assessment becomes final (through inaction or by the affirmative decision of the administrative hearing officer) a tax lien will be filed against all of the property of the taxpayer and will be recorded in the county courthouse. A distress warrant will be issued which authorizes the levy or seizure of any property or wages of the taxpayer.

You may avoid these collection actions by contacting the West Virginia State Tax Department whenever you have difficulties in meeting your tax responsibilities.

Remember, we are here to assist you in meeting your tax obligations.
INSTRUCTIONS TO REGISTER WITH THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE TAX DEPARTMENT

1. If you have employees, enter your Federal Employer Identification Number (FEIN). If you are a sole-owner with no employees, enter your social security number. If you do not have a FEIN, a temporary number will be assigned to you. To request a SS-4 form to obtain a taxpayer identification number from Internal Revenue Service, call 1-800-829-4933. When you receive your FEIN, notify the West Virginia State Tax Department so your temporary number can be changed in our computer file.

2. Enter business name and actual business location. P.O. Box may not be used for location address.

3. Enter mailing address, if different than business location address.

4. When completing item number 4 for primary class, find the code on the enclosed class listing, (pages 18 through 21), that best describes your principal business or activity in West Virginia. This activity should constitute more than 50% of your receipts. The secondary class should be your next highest percentage. Describe your business activity in detail.

5. Complete lines 5a through 5k, by furnishing your business information. If you are not a sole proprietorship or general partnership, enter 5-digit Control Number assigned to you by the Secretary of State’s Office on line 5k. Refer to page 3 for a list of organizations which are required to register with the Secretary of State. Your registration application will not be processed until this requirement is met.

6. Enter type of West Virginia business ownership. List partners, members and officers, if applicable. Attach sheet if more space is needed. Check partnership only if you file U.S. Partnership Return of Income, Federal Form 1065. If your type of business ownership is other than 6A through 6G, specify type in 6Z (Example: if non-profit organization, enter non-profit; if governmental agency, enter government; if any other type, specify type of business ownership).

7. If Collection Agency - must furnish $5,000.00 Surety Bond for each location. The completed surety bond must accompany the completed Application for Registration Certificate. Bond forms can be obtained by calling the automated forms ordering system at (304) 344-2068 or toll free within West Virginia to 1-800-422-2075. Forms are also available on the Internet at the following address: www.state.wv.us/taxdiv.

If Employment Agency - attach copy of approval letter from Division of Labor to completed Application for Business Registration.

If Consumer or Supervised Loans - must file Notification of Consumer Credit or Loans, Form WV/BRT-812, which will be forwarded to you by this Department.

If Transient Vendor - must furnish $500.00 surety bond, file Application For Transient Vendor’s license and Application For Registration Certificate. Publication TSD-317 and forms can be obtained by calling our automated form ordering system at (304) 344-2068.

If Non-Resident Contractor - must file a Cash Bond or Corporate Surety Bond for each contract or an Umbrella Corporate Surety Bond. For additional information, request a copy of Publication TSD-330.

All weighing and measuring devices used commercially must be registered with the Weights and Measures Section of the Division of Labor. Contact offices at 570 West MacCorkle Avenue, St. Albans, West Virginia 25177, or telephone (304) 722-0602.

8. Enter type of business activity or activities.

9-22. Complete these lines to ensure the proper taxes will be established in our computer file. You will automatically be mailed pre-addressed tax returns based on the information provided on this application.

IF YOU MARK LINE 19B YES, DOWNLOAD FORM WV/BRT-FR FROM OUR WEBSITE AND ATTACH TO THE BUSINESS APPLICATION.

REGISTRATION PROCEDURES FOR A WEST VIRGINIA WITHHOLDING ONLY ACCOUNT

You must be an out-of-state company that does not have nexus in West Virginia and employs a West Virginia resident. Can also be used by a West Virginia private household employing domestic help.

Complete the following items on the application:

Page 1: Line
1. FEIN
2. Business Name and Location
3. Mailing Address if different than the location
4. Business Class Code: write “Withholding Only” in the description area (for Private Household employer, use Class Code 8141)
5. Business Data - Complete Lines C and D only
6. Enter type of Business Ownership
7. Type of Activity

The application must be signed and dated.

Page 2: Line
21. Complete A, B, C, and D

Page 3
Withholding Only Accounts must complete Items 1, 2, 3, and 4 and sign under Item 12

MAIL APPLICATION TO:
West Virginia State Tax Department
PO Box 11425
Charleston, WV 25339-1425
INSTRUCTIONS TO REGISTER FOR AN UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ACCOUNT

SECTION B. If you are registering a new business, you are required to complete this section. Also, if you are registering because you purchased an existing business, merger, reorganization, or change of legal entity, complete this section, including Question 6.

PART 1. All industrial and commercial employers and many nonprofit charitable, educational and religious institutions in West Virginia are covered by the state unemployment compensation law. An employer must register upon establishing a new business in this State. If an employer is required to provide unemployment compensation coverage for employees, the employer must report payroll and pay contributions on a report mailed to the employer each quarter by the Unemployment Compensation Division.

If the reason for registering is due to the purchase of an operating business, merger, reorganization, or change of legal entity answer Question 6. This information will be used to determine your unemployment compensation contribution rate.

Withholding ONLY accounts must complete Items 1, 2, 3, and 4, and sign under Item 12.

PART 2. Complete this part if you are a non-profit organization.

ITEM 1. Your exemption from the Internal Revenue Service should state if you are exempt from Federal Unemployment Taxes. Include a copy of the Internal Revenue Service exemption, if applicable. Check the appropriate box and indicate the month and year in which the 20th week occurs.

ITEM 2. Indicate your option to finance unemployment compensation coverage:

Option (A) - Contributions
The employer selects this option to pay contributions. A rate assigned by law is applied to the first $8,000.00 of wages paid to each employee during a calendar year. Contributions are paid on a calendar quarter basis.

Option (B) - Reimbursement of Trust Fund
The employer selects this option to reimburse the Trust Fund. At the end of each calendar quarter, the employer is billed for unemployment benefits paid to its former employees during the quarter.

Unemployment Compensation Account questions may be answered by contacting the following:

Unemployment Compensation Division
Office of Contribution Accounting
Status Determination Unit
112 California Avenue
Charleston, West Virginia  25305
Telephone: (304) 558-2677
Fax: (304) 558-1324

New employees, rehires or employees returning to work after a leave of absence must be reported to the West Virginia Child Enforcement Division within 14 days from hire date.
WEST VIRGINIA OFFICE OF BUSINESS REGISTRATION
INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION ARE FOUND ON PAGE 9 OF THIS BOOKLET

SECTION A: COMPLETE THIS SECTION TO REGISTER WITH THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE TAX DEPARTMENT

1. WEST VIRGINIA TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:
   If you have a Federal Employers Identification Number, enter it. (All partnerships, corporations and sole-owners with employees must have a FEIN). If sole-owner (no employees), enter social security number.

2. BUSINESS NAME AND ACTUAL PHYSICAL LOCATION

   Legal Business Or Corporate Name (Type or Print Using Blue/Black Ink)  
   DBA Division, Subsidiary or Trade Name  
   Owner's Name (If Sole Owner)  

   Address (Street)  
   DO NOT USE A POST OFFICE BOX NUMBER
   City  
   State  
   Zip Code

3. MAILING ADDRESS (Where returns are to be sent)

   Name (Type Or Print Using Blue/Black Ink)
   Additional Space For Name If Needed
   Address (Street Or P.O. Box)
   City  
   State  
   Zip Code

4. BUSINESS CLASS DESCRIPTION (FROM PAGES 18 THROUGH 21):

   Enter primary business class:  
   Description of your business activity:  
   and secondary business class:  

5. BUSINESS DATA:

   A. Beginning date of business in West Virginia for the location entered in item 2 on this application:
   B. County where business is located.  NOTE: County must match city in item 2 above.
   C. Person completing this application: Name:  
      Telephone #:  
   D. Business telephone number:
   E. Estimated annual gross income for this location:  
      0 - $20,000  
      over $20,000  
   F. Previous name of this business, if any, owner's name and location:

6. ENTER TYPE OF BUSINESS OWNERSHIP:

   A. Sole-Owner  
   D1 General Partnership  
   E. Joint Venture  
   Z Other (Specify below)
   B. Domestic Corporation  
   D2 Limited Partnership  
   F. Association  
   C. Foreign Corporation  
   D3 Limited Liability Partnership  
   G. Limited Liability Company  

   PARTNERS - MEMBERS - OFFICERS - OWNERS:

7. CHECK APPROPRIATE BLOCKS:

   A. Operate a collection agency  
   E. Sell tangible personal property to consumers at retail level and do not maintain an established place of business in West Virginia (transient vendor)
   B. Operate an employment agency  
   F. Use commercial weighing or measuring devices (i.e. scales, gas pumps, etc.)
   C. Make consumer loans  
   D. Make supervised loans (loans pursuant to a revolving loan account or take assignments)  
   G. Offer or sell goods or services to West Virginia Consumers by Telemarketing  
   H. None of the Preceding

8. TYPE OF ACTIVITY:

   A. Service  
   C. Wholesale  
   E. Construction  
   G. Manufacturing  
   B. Retail  
   D. Both (Retail & Wholesale)  
   F. Rental  
   Z Other (Specify - Attach Information)

I certify this application to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE  
(SIGNATURE REQUIRED)  
TITLE  
DATE  

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SECTION A: TO REGISTER WITH THE WEST VIRGINIA STATE TAX DEPARTMENT, CONTINUED

9. BEER BARREL TAX: Will you hold a license to sell beer to licensed beer distributors? .......................................................... Yes No (9)
   A. Will you hold a license to sell beer to licensed beer retailers? .......................................................... Yes No (9A)

10. BUSINESS AND OCCUPATION TAX: Will you be providing the following: Public Utilities? ........................................... Yes No (10)
    A. Generating Electric Power for sale? .......................................................... Yes No (10A)
    B. Operate a natural gas storage reservoir ......................................................... Yes No (10B)

11. TOBACCO PRODUCTS TAX: Will you stamp and sell cigarettes at the wholesale level? ........................................... Yes No (11)
    A. Will you sell other tobacco products at the wholesale level? ......................... Yes No (11A)
    B. Will you sell both cigarettes and other tobacco products at the wholesale level? Yes No (11B)
    C. Will you sell cigarettes at the retail level? ....................................................... Yes No (11C)
    D. Will you sell other tobacco products at the retail level? .................................. Yes No (11D)
    E. Will you sell both cigarettes and other tobacco products at the retail level?........ Yes No (11E)

12. CONSUMERS SALES/SERVICE TAX: Do you have a business location in WV from which you will make retail sales or do any service or maintenance work? ........................................................................................................ Yes No (12)

13. CORPORATION NET INCOME/BUSINESS FRANCHISE TAX: Are you registered with the West Virginia Secretary of State? ................................................................................................................ Yes No (13A)
    A. Will you file your corporation tax returns in West Virginia on a consolidated basis under your parent corporation? Yes No (13B)

    B. Will you sell tax paid special fuel at the retail level? ........................................ Yes No (13C)

14. MOTOR FUEL EXCISE TAX: Will you purchase, sell or transport fuel in West Virginia? If yes, you must complete West Virginia Motor Fuel Excise Tax License Application. .......................................................... Yes No (14)
    A. Will you sell tax paid gasoline at the retail level? ............................................. Yes No (14A)
    B. Will you sell tax paid special fuel at the retail level? ........................................ Yes No (14B)
    C. Will you operate aircraft, watercraft or locomotives which haul freight or passengers within West Virginia? Yes No (14C)

15. LIQUOR/WINE RETAIL TAXES: As a retailer, will you hold a license to sell liquor and/or wine by the bottle? .......Yes No (15)
    (Does not apply when sold in clubs, bars or restaurants).

16. SEVERANCE TAX: Will you hold title to or have an economic interest in the activity of severing, extracting, reducing to possession and producing for sale, profit or commercial use, any natural resource product? ................................................. Yes No (16)
    A. Will you produce or process coal only? ............................................................. Yes No (16A)
    B. Will you produce timber? .................................................................................. Yes No (16B)

17. SOFT DRINK TAX: Will you sell bottled/canned soft drinks/syrups and/or powders? If yes, in what capacity? ....Yes No (17)
    A. Bottler? .............................................................................................................. Yes No (17A)
    B. Wholesale? ......................................................................................................... Yes No (17B)
    C. Will you purchase soft drinks, Excise Tax not paid, from a bottler/wholesaler? Yes No (17C)
    D. Will you purchase soft drinks, Excise Tax paid, from a bottler/wholesaler? Yes No (17D)

18. TELECOMMUNICATIONS TAX: Will you be selling or furnishing local telegraph, telephone or other telecommunication services subject to regulation from Public Service Commission and not in competition with other firms? ................................................. Yes No (18)

19. USE TAX: Will you make purchases from outside of West Virginia for use in West Virginia (other than for resale)? Yes No (19)
    A. Will you have salesmen or property located within West Virginia and/or advertise locally and/or deliver from out-of-state into West Virginia in your own vehicles? ................................................................................. Yes No (19A)
    B. If a foreign retailer will you be collecting West Virginia use tax on sales or services to West Virginia customers? Yes No (19B)

20. WINE LITER TAX: Have you registered with the ABCC to sell wine to licensed wine distributors? ................. Yes No (20)
    A. To licensed wine retailers? .................................................................................. Yes No (20A)
    B. Will you sell wine products to West Virginia registered wine suppliers? Yes No (20B)

21. WITHHOLDING TAX: Will you have West Virginia employees? .......................................................... Yes No (21)
    A. Date you began or will begin withholding West Virginia income tax from employees ......................................................................................................................... Yes No (21A)
    B. Number of employees subject to West Virginia income tax; Do not include owner or partners: ................................................. Yes No (21B)
    C. Will you withhold more than $250.00 of West Virginia income tax per month? Yes No (21C)
    D. Are you an out-of-state business registering to report withholding tax only? Yes No (21D)

22. HEALTH CARE TAXES:
    A. Are you a behavioral health center? ................................................................. Yes No (22A)
    B. Will you provide a health care service (includes ambulance)? Yes No (22B)

If your gross income is over $4,000.00 in all states for the previous filing year, a $30.00 registration fee is due with this application.

FOR THIS APPLICATION TO BE VALID AND TO AVOID DELAY IN PROCESSING, ALL PAGES MUST BE COMPLETED AND APPLICATION SIGNED.

MAIL APPLICATION TO: West Virginia State Tax Department  P.O. Box 11425,  Charleston, WV 25339
### SECTION B: COMPLETE THIS SECTION TO REGISTER FOR AN UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION ACCOUNT

**PART 1:** All new businesses are required to complete this section.

1. **Reason for applying:**
   - [ ] New Business
   - [ ] Additional location(s)
   - [ ] Merger
   - [ ] Purchased business
   - [ ] Change of entity
   - [ ] Reorganization
   - [ ] Other (describe)

2. **Name, street address, telephone number and person to contact where payroll records are maintained:**
   - Name
   - Address (Street Or P.O. Box)
   - City  State  Zip Code
   - Telephone Number
   - Contact Person

3. **Date first wages paid to employees performing services in West Virginia. Write N/A if no services performed in West Virginia:**

4. **Number of employees in West Virginia:**

5. **Estimated gross wages paid in first calendar quarter of operations:**

6. If the reason for registering is due to the purchase of a business, merger, reorganization, or change of legal entity, provide the following information including percent of assets acquired (if needed, attach additional explanation of the transaction):
   - a. Percentage of assets acquired from former business: 
   - b. Date former business was acquired by current business:
   - c. Unemployment compensation number of former business, if known:
   - d. Predecessor Signature:

7. **Have you or do you expect to employ at least ONE worker in 20 different calendar weeks during calendar year? Yes  No**
   - If yes, in what earliest month and year will the 20th week occur?

8. **Have you or do you expect to have a quarterly payroll of $1500? Yes  No**
   - If yes, in what earliest quarter and year will the quarter occur?

9. **For employers of domestic help only:**
   - Have you or will you have as an individual or local college club, college fraternity or sorority a total payroll of $1,000 or more in the State of West Virginia during any calendar quarter? Yes  No
   - If yes, indicate the earliest quarter and calendar year.

10. **For agricultural operations only:**
    - Have you or will you have 10 or more workers for 20 weeks or more in any calendar year or have you paid or will you pay $20,000 or more in wages during any calendar quarter? Yes  No
    - If yes, indicate the earliest quarter and calendar year.

11. **Are you liable for the Federal Unemployment Tax? Yes  No If yes, in what year did you become liable?**
    - In what states?

12. **Certification. This report must be signed by owner if business is operated as an individual proprietorship; by all members of a partnership if business is operated as a partnership or joint venture; or by an authorized officer of an incorporated business.**
    - Date  Signature  Title
    - Date  Signature  Title
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**PART 2 COMPLETE THIS PART IF YOU ARE A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION OR GOVERNMENT ENTITY**

1. **If you are a non-profit organization with a 501 (c) (3) exemption, have you or do you expect to employ four or more workers in 20 different calendar weeks during a calendar year? Yes  No**
   - If yes, in what earliest month and year will the 20th week occur?

2. **Elections for unemployment compensation coverage. Contributions  Reimbursement of trust fund (See instructions on page 10)**

**DO NOT WRITE IN THIS SECTION**

- Effective Date:
- Federal ID Number:
- Liable Date:
- State ID Number:
- Provision:
- Rate:
- Merit Year:
- Decision By:
- Date:
If you are registering a new business, reopening an old business, or purchasing an existing business, in whole or in part, State law requires employers to obtain workers’ compensation coverage for its employees in case of workplace injury. Basic business registration for a new business with the State no longer includes registration for workers’ compensation coverage from a state fund. **Employers must now apply directly to a private carrier for this insurance coverage.** Until July 1, 2008, employers must purchase workers’ compensation insurance from BrickStreet Mutual Insurance Company. After July 1, 2008, workers’ compensation insurance will be available from other insurers licensed in this state to provide such coverage. For information regarding available insurers, contact the Office of the West Virginia Insurance Commissioner. Current application for Workers’ Compensation Insurance and other business licenses and permits applicable to your business may be accessed via the internet at [www.business4wv.com](http://www.business4wv.com).

**WEST VIRGINIA EMPLOYERS REQUIRED TO HAVE COVERAGE** - If you employ even one person in West Virginia, except in very rare circumstances, you are required by law to obtain workers’ compensation insurance coverage. Failure to obtain and maintain proper Workers’ Compensation Insurance coverage will subject you to a number of consequences, including the following:

- Administrative fines by the Insurance Commissioner up to $10,000;
- Loss of immunity against civil liability (you may be sued by your employee);
- Immediate revocation of business license and permits;
- Business may be enjoined from continuing operation;
- Business and personal liability for all workers’ compensation claims paid plus attorneys fees.

Specific requirements for obtaining Workers’ Compensation Insurance coverage may be answered by the private insurance carrier.

For General Questions Regarding Workers’ Compensation coverage contact:

**Offices of the Insurance Commissioner**

Employer Coverage Unit  
1124 Smith Street  
Post Office Box 11682  
Charleston, West Virginia 25339-1682  
Telephone: (304) 558-6279, Ext. 1202

**DIVISION OF WEST VIRGINIA DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**

**FOR INFORMATION REGARDING SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

1900 Kanawha Boulevard, Capitol Complex, Building 6, Room 652  
Charleston, WV 25305  
Telephone: (304)558-2960;  Toll-free: 1-888-WVA-SBDC (1-888-982-7232); Fax: (304) 558-0127  
Web site: [http://www.sbdcwv.org](http://www.sbdcwv.org)

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West Virginia State Tax Department
Taxpayer Assistance Locations

Wheeling Regional Office
40 -14th Street
Wheeling, WV  26003
(304) 238-1152

Martinsburg Regional Office
397 Mid Atlantic Parkway
Suite 2
Martinsburg, WV  25404
(304) 267-0022

Parkersburg Regional Office
400 - 5th Street
Parkersburg, WV  26101
(304) 420-4570

North Central Regional Office
Huntington Bank Building, Suite 201
230 West Pike Street
Clarksburg, WV  26301
(304) 627-2109

Huntington Regional Office
2699 Park Avenue
Suite 230
Huntington, WV  25704
(304) 528-5568

Beckley Regional Office
407 Neville Street, Suite 109
Beckley, WV  25801
(304) 256-6764

North Central Regional Office
Huntington Bank Building, Suite 201
230 West Pike Street
Clarksburg, WV  26301
(304) 627-2109

Charleston
1206 Quarrier Street
or 1001 Lee Street East
(304) 558-3333

Questions concerning information contained in this booklet can be answered by calling or visiting one of the Regional Offices listed on the map; or by writing to the following:

West Virginia
State Tax Department
Taxpayer Services Division
P. O. Box 3784
Charleston, West Virginia  25337-3784

FOR ASSISTANCE CALL (304) 558-3333
OR  1-800-WVA-TAXS (1-800-982-8297)

INTERNET ADDRESS: http://www.state.wv.us/taxdiv

To order forms: (304)344-2068 or 1-800-422-2075
OTHER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

You may be required to register with other State Agencies.
Check the list of agencies and licenses below for additional requirements for your business . . .

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OTHER REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS, cont’d

Dept. of Health & Human Resources, con’d
County Health Departments also require permits for a number of operations such as:
- Retail Food Stores (restaurant & grocery stores)
- Septic Tank Construction
- Water Well Construction

(for a complete list or more information, call 558-2981)

Office of Health Facility Licensure & Certification ......................... 558-0050
- Ambulatory Surgery Center Certification
- Behavioral Health Center License
- Birthing Center License
- Clinical Laboratory Certification
- End-Stage Renal Dialysis Certification
- Home Health Certification
- Hospice License
- Hospital License
- ICF/MR Program Certification
- Medical Adult Day Care License
- Nursing Home License and Certification
- Outpatient Rehabilitation Certification
- Personal Care Home License
- Portable X-ray Certification
- Psychiatric Hospital License & Certification
- Residential Board & Care Home License
- Rural Health Clinic Certification
- Speech/Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy Certification

Boards
- Barbers & Cosmetologists License ................. 558-2924
- Board of Medicine ................................................. 558-2921
- Hearing Aid Dealer License ................................. 558-7886

Professional & Occupational Licenses
Certain individual professionals must register with licensing boards. Please consult the capitol operator (558-3456) for telephone numbers for specific boards.

Public Service Commission ................. 340-0300
- Certificate of Public Convenience & Necessity for Motor Carriers
- Certificate of Public Convenience & Necessity for Public Utilities (Water, Sewer, Gas, Electric, Telephone, Landfills, etc.)
- Contract Carrier of Property
- Customer Owned Public Telephone Certification & Registration
- Hazardous Materials Transportation Registration
- Motor Carrier Registration
- Single State Registration (Motor Carriers)
- Underground One-call Systems

Secretary of State ................................. 558-8000
- Credit Service Organization, Registration
- Charity Registration
- Professional Fund-Raiser & Fund Raising
- Counsel Registration
- Private Investigator & Security Guard Licenses

Department of Revenue
Division of Banking ................................................. 558-2294
- Lender License
- License to Sell Checks, Drafts, Money Orders
- Second Mortgage Licenses

Alcohol Beverage Control Administration ........ 558-2481
Tollfree ...................................................... 1-800-642-8208
- ABCC Carrier Permit
- Alcohol Beverage License
  (Suppliers/distributors)
- Brewer Importer License

Insurance Commission ................................. 558-0610
- Insurance License
- Workers’Compensation Coverage .......... 558-6279

Lottery Commission ......................................... 558-0500
- Lottery Retail Application

Tax Division ................................................. 558-3333
or toll-free ........................................ 1-800-982-8297
- Cemeteries Registration
- Collection Agency Licenses
- Drug Paraphernalia License
- Non-resident Contractor’s Registration
- Sparklers & Novelties Applications
- Transient Vendors License

Charitable Bingo & Raffle ................................... 558-8510

Department of Transportation ............ 558-0444
Division of Highways .................................... 558-3505
- Junkyard Licenses ................................. 558-3042

Division of Motor Vehicles ................. 558-2723
- Automobile Auction Licenses .................. 558-3584
- Financial Institution License Certificate
- Manufacture of Transporter License
- Motor Vehicle Dealer License (New/Used)
- Recreational Dealer License
- Temporary License Plates
- Trailer Dealer License
- Wrecker, Dismantler Dealer License
- Wrecker, Dismantler, Rebuilder License
- Motor Carrier Decal ................................. 558-3629

This list is not intended to be a list of all the special registration/licensing requirements imposed by the State of West Virginia. Persons engaging in other business activities in West Virginia may have to satisfy other special requirements with other State Agencies before commencing or while engaging in a business activity in this State.

In addition, often counties or municipalities have rules, regulations and registration requirements which may affect your business. We recommend you contact the local mayor’s office for information on city taxes and registration requirements and the county assessor’s office for information on county taxes.
North American Industry Classification System (NAICS)

Using the following code listing, find the code that best describes your principal business or activity in West Virginia. If your business consists of more than one type of activity, enter the code that represents more than 50% of your business in the primary business class section and enter the code that best represents the balance of your activities in the secondary class section. For example: (A) If you only sell clothing at retail, enter 4481 in the primary section. (B) If you make both retail and wholesale sales of furniture and more than 50% of your sales are wholesale, enter 4232 in the primary class section and enter 4421 in the secondary class section. (C) If your business consists of manufacturing, contracting and retail you should use a percentage to determine your primary and secondary codes: 58% manufacturing, enter 3399 in the primary class section; 32% contracting, enter 2389 in the secondary class section.

A. AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING AND HUNTING

CROP PRODUCTION
1111 Oilseed and Grain Farming
1112 Vegetable and Melon Farming
1113 Fruit and Tree Nut Farming
1114 Greenhouse, Nursery, & Floriculture Product
1119 Other Crop Farming

ANIMAL PRODUCTION
1121 Cattle Ranching and Farming Including Dairy Farming
1122 Hog and Pig Farming
1123 Poultry and Egg Production
1124 Sheep and Goat Farming
1125 Animal Aquaculture Including Fish Hatcheries
1129 Animal Production Not Elsewhere Classified

FORESTRY AND LOGGING
1131 Timber Tract Operations
1132 Forest Nurseries & Gathering Forest Products
1133 Logging

FISHING, HUNTING AND TRAPPING
1141 Fishing
1142 Hunting and Trapping

AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY SUPPORT ACTIVITIES
1151 Support Activities for Crop Production
1152 Support Activities for Animal Production
1153 Support Activities for Forestry

B. MINING

OIL AND GAS EXTRACTION
2111 Oil and Gas Extraction

MINING (EXCEPT OIL AND GAS)
2121 Coal Mining
2122 Metal Ore Mining
2123 Nonmetallic Mineral Mining and Quarrying

SUPPORT ACTIVITIES FOR MINING
2131 Support Activities for Mining

C. UTILITIES

UTILITIES
2211 Elec Power Generation, Transmsn & Distribution
2212 Natural Gas Distribution
2213 Water, Sewage and Other Systems

D. CONSTRUCTION

BUILDING, DEVELOPING, AND GENERAL CONTRACTING
2361 Residential Building Construction
2362 Nonresidential Building Construction
2371 Utility System Construction
2372 Land Subdivision

HEAVY CONSTRUCTION
2373 Highway, Street, Bridge Construction
2379 Other Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction

SPECIAL TRADE CONTRACTORS
2381 Foundation, Structure, and Building Exterior Contractors
2382 Building Equipment Contractors
2383 Building Finishing Contractors
2389 Other Specialty Trade Contractors

E. MANUFACTURING

FOOD MANUFACTURING
3111 Animal Food Manufacturing
3112 Grain and Oilseed Milling
3113 Sugar and Confectionery Product Manufacturing
3114 Fruit & Veg Preserving & Specialty Food Mfg
3115 Dairy Product Manufacturing
3116 Animal Slaughtering and Processing
3117 Seafood Product Preparation and Packaging
3118 Bakersies and Tortilla Manufacturing
3119 Other Food Manufacturing

BEVERAGE AND TOBACCO PRODUCT MANUFACTURING
3121 Beverage Manufacturing
3122 Tobacco Manufacturing

TEXTILE MILLS
3131 Fiber, Yarn, and Thread Mills
3132 Fabric Mills
3133 Textile/Fabric Finishing/Fabric Coating Mills

TEXTILE PRODUCT MILLS
3141 Textile Furnishings Mills
3149 Other Textile Product Mills

APPEAL MANUFACTURING
3151 Apparel Knitting Mills
3152 Cut and Sew Apparel Manufacturing
3159 Apparel Accessories & Other Apparel Mfg

LEATHER AND ALLIED PRODUCT MANUFACTURING
3161 Leather and Hide Tanning and Finishing
3162 Footwear Manufacturing
3169 Other Leather & Allied Product Mfg

WOOD PRODUCT MANUFACTURING
3211 Sawmills and Wood Preservation
3212 Veneer, Plywood & Engineered Wood Product Mfg
3219 Other Wood Product Manufacturing Including Manufactured Homes and Mobile Homes

PAPER MANUFACTURING
3221 Pulp, Paper, and Paperboard Mills
3222 Converted Paper Product Manufacturing

PRINTING AND RELATED SUPPORT ACTIVITIES
3231 Printing and Related Support Activities

PETROLEUM AND COAL PRODUCTS MANUFACTURING
3241 Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing

CHEMICAL MANUFACTURING
3251 Basic Chemical Manufacturing
3252 Resin, Syn Rubber, Artf & Syn Fibers/Fil Mfg
3253 Pesticide, Fertilizer & Oth Ag Chemical Mfg
3254 Pharmaceutical and Medicine Manufacturing
3255 Paint, Coating, and Adhesive Manufacturing
3256 Soap, Cleaners & Toilet Preparation Mfg
3259 Other Chemical Product & Preparation Mfg

PLASTICS AND RUBBER PRODUCTS MANUFACTURING
3261 Plastics Product Manufacturing
3262 Rubber Product Manufacturing

NONMETALLIC MINERAL PRODUCT MANUFACTURING
3271 Clay Product and Refractory Manufacturing
3272 Glass and Glass Product Manufacturing
3273 Cement and Concrete Product Manufacturing
3274 Lime and Gypsum Product Manufacturing
3279 Other Nonmetallic Mineral Product Mfg

PRIMARY METAL MANUFACTURING
3311 Iron & Steel Mills & Ferroalloy Mfg
3312 Steel Product Mfg from Purchased Steel
3313 Alumina & Aluminum Production & Processing
### F. WHOLESALE TRADE

**WHOLESALE TRADE, DURABLE GOODS**
- 4231 Motor Vehicle/Motor Vehicle Pt & Supply Merchant Whsle
- 4232 Furniture and Home Furnishing Merchant Wholesalers
- 4233 Lumber & Other Construction Materials Merchant Whsle
- 4234 Professional & Commercial Equip & Supp Merchant Whsle
- 4235 Metal & Mineral (exc Petroleum) Merchant Wholesalers
- 4236 Electrical and Electronic Goods Merchant Wholesalers
- 4237 Hardware, & Plumb & Heating Equip & Supp Merchant Whsle
- 4238 Machinery, Equipment, & Supplies Merchant Wholesalers
- 4239 Miscellaneous Durable Goods Merchant Wholesalers

**WHOLESALE TRADE, NONDURABLE GOODS**
- 4241 Paper and Paper Product Merchant Wholesalers
- 4242 Drugs and Drugists' Sundries Merchant Wholesalers
- 4243 Apparel, Piece Goods, and Notions Merchant Wholesalers
- 4244 Grocery and Related Product Merchant Wholesalers
- 4245 Farm Product Raw Material Merchant Wholesalers
- 4246 Chemical and Allied Products Merchant Wholesalers
- 4247 Petroleum and Petroleum Products Merchant Wholesalers
- 4248 Beer/Wine/Distilled Alcoholic Beverage Merchant Whsle
- 4249 Miscellaneous Nondurable Goods Merchant Wholesalers
- 4251 Wholesale Electronic Markets and Agents and Brokers

### G. RETAIL TRADE

**MOTOR VEHICLE AND PARTS DEALERS**
- 4411 Automobile Dealers
- 4412 Other Motor Vehicle Dealers
- 4413 Automotive Parts, Accessories, & Tire Stores

**FURNITURE AND HOME FURNISHINGS STORES**
- 4421 Furniture Stores
- 4422 Home Furnishings Stores

**ELECTRONICS AND APPLIANCE STORES**
- 4431 Electronics and Appliance Stores

**BUILDING MATERIAL & GARDEN EQUIP & SUPP DEALERS**
- 4441 Building Material and Supplies Dealers
- 4442 Lawn and Garden Equipment and Supplies Stores Including Retail Nurseries

**FOOD AND BEVERAGE STORES**
- 4451 Grocery Stores
- 4452 Specialty Food Stores
- 4453 Beer, Wine, and Liquor Stores

**HEALTH AND PERSONAL CARE STORES**
- 4461 Health and Personal Care Stores Including Optical, Pharmacies and Beauty Supplies

**GASOLINE STATIONS**
- 4471 Gasoline Stations or in Combination with Convenience Store

**CLOTHING AND CLOTHING ACCESSORIES STORES**
- 4511 Clothing Stores
- 4512 Book, Periodical, and Music Stores

**GENERAL MERCHANDISE STORES**
- 4521 Department Stores
- 4529 Other General Merchandise Stores Including Warehouse Clubs and Superstores

**MISCELLANEOUS STORE RETAILERS**
- 4531 Florists
- 4532 Office Supplies, Stationery, and Gift Stores
- 4533 Used Merchandise Stores
- 4539 Other Miscellaneous Store Retailers Including Mobile Home Dealers

**NONSTORE RETAILERS**
- 4541 Electronic Shopping and Mail-Order Houses
- 4542 Vending Machine Operators
- 4543 Direct Selling Establishments Including In-House Sales, Fuel Dealers and Crafts

### H. TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING

**AIR TRANSPORTATION**
- 4811 Scheduled Air Transportation
- 4812 Nonscheduled Air Transportation

**RAIL TRANSPORTATION**
- 4811 Rail Transportation

**WATER TRANSPORTATION**
- 4831 Deep Sea, Coastal & Great Lakes Water Trans
- 4832 Inland Water Transportation

**TRUCK TRANSPORTATION**
- 4841 General Freight Trucking
- 4842 Specialized Freight Trucking

**TRANSIT AND GROUND PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION**
- 4851 Urban Transit Systems
- 4852 Interurban and Rural Bus Transportation
- 4853 Taxi and Limousine Service
- 4854 School and Employee Bus Transportation
- 4855 Charter Bus Industry
- 4859 Other Transit & Ground Passenger Transportation

**PIPELINE TRANSPORTATION**
- 4861 Pipeline Transportation of Crude Oil
- 4862 Pipeline Transportation of Natural Gas
- 4869 Other Pipeline Transportation

**SCENIC AND SIGHTSEEING TRANSPORTATION**
- 4871 Scenic and Sightseeing Transportation, Land
- 4872 Scenic and Sightseeing Transportation, Water
- 4879 Scenic and Sightseeing Transportation, Other
### SUPPORT ACTIVITIES FOR TRANSPORTATION
- 4881 Support Activities for Air Transportation
- 4882 Support Activities for Rail Transportation
- 4883 Support Activities for Water Transportation
- 4884 Support Activities for Road Transportation
- 4885 Freight Transportation Arrangement
- 4889 Other Support Activities for Transportation

### POSTAL SERVICE
- 4911 Postal Service
- 4921 Couriers
- 4922 Local Messengers and Local Delivery
- **WAREHOUSING AND STORAGE**
- 4931 Warehousing and Storage

### INFORMATION

#### PUBLISHING INDUSTRIES
- 5111 Newspaper/Periodical/Book/Directory Publishers
- 5112 Software Publishers

#### MOTION PICTURE AND SOUND RECORDING INDUSTRIES
- 5121 Motion Picture and Video Industries
- 5122 Sound Recording Industries

#### BROADCASTING AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS
- 5151 Radio and Television Broadcasting
- 5152 Cable and Other Subscription Programming
- 5161 Internet Publishing and Broadcasting
- 5171 Wired Telecommunications Carriers
- 5172 Wireless Telecommunications Carriers (except Satellite)
- 5173 Telecommunications Resellers
- 5174 Satellite Telecommunications
- 5175 Cable and Other Program Distribution
- 5179 Other Telecommunications

#### INFORMATION & DATA PROCESSING SERVICES
- 5181 Internet Service Providers and Web Search Portals
- 5182 Data Processing, Hosting, and Related Services
- 5191 Other Information Services

### FINANCE AND INSURANCE

#### MONETARY AUTHORITIES - CENTRAL BANK
- 5211 Monetary Authorities - Central Bank

#### CREDIT INTERMEDIATION AND RELATED ACTIVITIES
- 5221 Depository Credit Intermediation
- 5222 Nondepository Credit Intermediation
- 5223 Activities Related to Credit Intermediation

#### SECURITY, COMMODITY CONTRACTS & LIKE ACTIVITY
- 5231 Secry & Comodty Contracts Interm & Brokerage
- 5232 Securities and Commodity Exchanges
- 5239 Other Financial Investment Activities

#### INSURANCE CARRIERS AND RELATED ACTIVITIES
- 5241 Insurance Carriers
- 5242 Agencies, Brokerages & Other Insurance Related Activities
- 5251 Insurance and Employee Benefit Funds
- 5259 Other Investment Pools and Funds

### REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AND LEASING

#### REAL ESTATE
- 5311 Lessors of Real Estate
- 5312 Offices of Real Estate Agents and Brokers
- 5313 Activities Related to Real Estate

#### RENTAL AND LEASING SERVICES
- 5321 Automotive Equipment Rental and Leasing
- 5322 Consumer Goods Rental Including Video Tape and Disk Rental
- 5323 General Rental Centers
- 5324 Commercial/Industrial Equip Rental & Leasing

#### LESSORS OF OTHER NONFINANCIAL INTANGIBLE ASSET
- 5331 Lessors of Nonfinancial Intangible Assets (except Copyrighted Works)

### PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC & TECHNICAL SERVICES

#### PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC & TECHNICAL SERVICES
- 5411 Legal Services Including Lawyers and Notaries
- 5412 Accounting/Tax Prep/Bookkeep/Payroll Services
- 5413 Architectural, Engineering & Related Services
- 5414 Specialized Design Services
- 5415 Computer Systems Design and Related Services
- 5416 Management, Sci, & Tech Consulting Services
- 5417 Scientific Research and Development Services
- 5418 Advertising and Related Services
- 5419 Other Professional/Scientific/Technical Services

### MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES

#### MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES
- 5511 Management of Companies and Enterprises Including Offices of Bank Holding Companies and Other Holding Companies

### ADMIN/SUPPORT WASTE MGT/REMEDiation SERVICES

#### ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT SERVICES
- 5611 Office Administrative Services
- 5612 Facilities Support Services
- 5613 Employment Services
- 5614 Business Support Services Including Telemarketing Bureaus, Collection Agencies, and Credit Bureaus
- 5615 Travel Arrangement and Reservation Services
- 5616 Investigation and Security Services
- 5617 Services to Buildings and Dwellings Including Lawn Care and Janitorial Services
- 5619 Other Support Services

#### WASTE MANAGEMENT AND REMEDIATION SERVICES
- 5621 Waste Collection
- 5622 Waste Treatment and Disposal
- 5629 Remediation & Other Waste Management Services

### EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

#### EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
- 6111 Elementary and Secondary Schools
- 6112 Junior Colleges
- 6113 Colleges, Universities & Professional Schools
- 6114 Business Schools & Computer & Mgt Training
- 6115 Technical and Trade Schools
- 6116 Other Schools and Instruction
- 6117 Educational Support Services

### HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE

#### AMBULATORY HEALTH CARE SERVICES
- 6211 Offices of Physicians
- 6212 Offices of Dentists
- 6213 Offices of Other Health Practitioners
- 6214 Outpatient Care Centers
- 6215 Medical and Diagnostic Laboratories
- 6216 Home Health Care Services
- 6219 Other Ambulatory Health Care Services Including Ambulance Services

#### HOSPITALS
- 6221 General Medical and Surgical Hospitals
- 6222 Psychiatric and Substance Abuse Hospitals
- 6223 Specialty (except Psychiatric and Substance Abuse) Hospitals

#### NURSING AND RESIDENTIAL CARE FACILITIES
- 6231 Nursing Care Facilities
Q. ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RECREATION

PERFORM ARTS, SPECTATOR SPORTS & RELATED IND
7111 Performing Arts Companies
7112 Spectator Sports
7113 Promoters of Performing Arts, Sports, and Similar Events
7114 Agents/Managers for Artists, Athletes, Entertainers & Other Public Figures
7115 Independent Artists, Writers, and Performers

MUSEUMS, HISTORICAL SITES & LIKE INSTITUTIONS
7121 Museums, Historical Sites & Like Institutions

AMUSEMENT, GAMBLING, & RECREATION INDUSTRIES
7131 Amusement Parks and Arcades
7132 Gambling Industries
7139 Other Amusement and Recreation Industries Including Golf Courses and Fitness Centers, Marinas and Skiing Facilities

R. ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES

ACCOMMODATION
7211 Traveler Accommodation Including Hotels and Motels
7212 RV (Recreational Vehicle) Parks & Recreational Camps
7213 Rooming and Boarding Houses

FOOD SERVICES AND DRINKING PLACES
7221 Full-Service Restaurants
7222 Limited-Service Eating Places
7223 Special Food Services Including Catering and Mobile Food Services
7224 Drinking Places (Alcoholic Beverages)

S. OTHER SERVICES (EXCEPT PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION)

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