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BUSINESS TAX

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Customer Service and Office Hours

The Business Tax Office is located at:

City Hall
100 North Andrews Avenue, 1st Floor
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301
Hours: 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday
E-mail: BusinessTax@fortlauderdale.gov

Online Payments

You can use our secure [Business Tax Search and Online Payments](#) system to pay any fees associated with your Business Tax.

Vacation Rentals

Visit our [Vacation Rental](#) page for more information about the vacation rental ordinance, resolution, registration progress and to download required application forms. **Please note; the Business Tax Office does not process Vacation Rental applications. Please use the link above to submit your application.**

Overview and Payment Information

- 1. What is a Business Tax?**

The Business Tax is a tax for the privilege of engaging in or managing any business, profession or occupation within the city limits. You will need to pay a business tax to operate any business based in the City of Fort Lauderdale. A business tax is required, pursuant to local and state laws, to operate a business from a commercial or residential location. A business tax receipt is valid from October 1 through September 30 of the following year. Courtesy reminders are mailed, prior to expiration, to remit payment for renewal. A tax receipt is mailed once payment is received. The tax receipt must be posted in a conspicuous place and visible to the public and upon inspection.
- 2. Who needs to pay a Business Tax?**

A business needs to pay a business tax prior to operating any business from a commercial or residential location. Please read the [Business Tax Ordinance](#) or contact the Business Tax Office for more details.
- 3. Where can I obtain Business Tax forms?**

Forms can be accessed from the below links or obtained at our office at 100 North Andrews Avenue. Once completed, forms can be submitted online. If additional information is required, we will contact you at the email address provided.

 - [Business Tax Application Checklist and Information](#)
 - [Business Tax Application](#)
 - [Application for State Licensed Professionals](#)

THAT WILL TAKE YOU TO THE LAUDER BUILD PAGE



CITIZEN'S PORTAL

SEARCH

NEW APPLICATION

CITY LINKS

Account Registration

You will be asked to provide the following information to open an account:

- A user name and password
- Personal contact information

Please review and accept the terms below to proceed.

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[Continue Registration »](#)

REGISTER FOR AN ACCOUNT



Account Registration Step 2:
Enter/Confirm Your Account Information

Login Information

* User Name: ?

* Email Address:

* Password: ?

* Type Password Again:

* Enter Security Question: ?

* Answer: ?

Contact Information

Please fill out the following form. If your contact information is not found in the system, you will be asked to create a new account.



AFTER YOU HAVE CREATED AN ACCOUNT CLICK NEW APPLICATION



CITIZEN'S PORTAL SEARCH **NEW APPLICATION** CITY LINK

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Online Application

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Continue Application »

OPEN THE DROP DOWN MENU AND SELECT THE TYPE OF BUSINESS YOU ARE APPLYING FOR.

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Select a Record Type

Choose one of the following available record types. For further assistance click [here](#) 5195. Please click [here](#) for additional information regarding Business Tax Receipt

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A transfer request may only be submitted for:

- Apartment - Hotel - Motel
- General Business Tax
- Medical Office
- Professional Business
- Restaurant - Lounge - Nightclub
- Retail - Wholesale



Search



▼ Business Tax

- General Business Tax Application
- Holiday Outdoor Sales Business Tax Application
- Liquor Measurement Request
- Medical Office Business Tax Application
- Professional Business Tax Application (State, County, Federal, Registered, etc.)
- Retail - Wholesale Business Tax Application
- Solicitor Permit Application
- Street Vendor Business Tax Application
- Transfer Request (Address/Owner)

Continue Application »

TYPE IN THE ADDRESS OF WHERE THE BUSINESS IS LOCATED. NO NEED TO FILL IN ALL THE FIELDS LESS IS BEST.

Retail - Wholesale Business Tax Application

1 Address Information

2 Contact Information

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Mark as Read

Step 1: Address Information > Address

Address

To search for an address, do not fill in all of the values, as a broader search works best. Please enter the Street a wildcard in the Street Name field) and then click Search. This will return all matching values and you can s

* Street No.:	Direction:	* Street Name:	Street Type:
<input type="text"/>	--Select--	<input type="text"/>	--Select--
City:	State:	Zip:	Unit No.:
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Search Clear

Parcel

ONCE THE SYSTEM FINDS YOUR LOCATION SELECT THE RIGHT ONE AND CONTINUE

Property Owner

Owner Name:	<input type="text"/>	
Address Line 1:	<input type="text"/>	
City:	State:	Zip:
FORT LAUDERDALE	FL	33301

Search Clear

Save and resume later

Continue Application >

ALL THREE CONTACTS ARE REQUIRED

Step 2: Contact Information > Contacts

* Indicates a required field.

Business

This contact is required.

Please enter the information associated to the Business holding this Business Tax Receipt. If this is a new business, use the Add New button to enter your information. If this is an existing business with an existing Business Tax Receipt, please use the Look Up button and select Type: Business to retrieve your business information.

Select from Account Add New Look Up

Applicant

This contact is required.

Applicant information may be specific for this Business Tax Receipt and / or location.

Select from Account Add New

Mail To

This contact is required.

All Business Tax Receipt correspondence will be sent to this location.

Select from Account Add New Look Up

Save and resume later Continue Application »

IF APPLYING AS A STATE LICENSED PROFESSIONAL YOU ARE THE BUSINESS

LAST NAME COMMA FIRST NAME

Contact Information

* Name of Business:

LAST, FIRST NAME |

First: Middle: Last:

* Address Line 1:

Address Line 2:

* City: * State: * Zip:

ANY OTHER TYPE OF BUSINESS PLEASE USE YOUR DBA FOR THE BUSINESS NAME AND YOUR CORPORATION NAME WILL GO UNDER THE MAIL TO SECTION AS BUSINESS NAME.

This contact is required.

Please enter the information associated to the Business holding this Business Tax Receipt. If this is a new business, use the Add New button to enter your information. If this is an existing business, please use the Look Up button and select Type: Business to retrieve your business information.


✔ Contact added successfully.

LAST, FIRST NAME
Address: 100 N ANDREWS AVE
City, State Zip: FORT, FL 33311
Work Phone:
Email: E@E.COM
[Edit](#) [Remove](#)

Applicant

This contact is required.

Applicant information may be specific for this Business Tax Receipt and / or location.


 [Select from Account](#) [Add New](#)

Mail To

This contact is required.

All Business Tax Receipt correspondence will be sent to this location.

[Select from Account](#) [Add New](#) [Look Up](#)

✔ Contact removed successfully. 

Contact Information

First: Middle: Last:

* Name of Business:



* Address Line 1:

PLEASE FILL OUT ALL THE INFORMATION YOU CAN ANSWER.

Step 3 : Detail Information > Detail Info

Custom Fields

BUSINESS DETAIL

Describe Business:
Provide a detailed description of all Products / Services/ Business offered in detail.

Number of Employees:

Total Square Footage - Storage:

Total Square Footage - Other:

Sharing Space with Another Business:
 Yes No

Will there be alcoholic beverages sold or permitted to be consumed on premises?: [?](#)
 Yes No

Does the business feature, promote, depict, allow, or display any type of nudity?:
 Yes No

Do you have coin or token operated vending machines or ATM machines?:

Days / Hours of Operation:

Total Square Footage - Office:

Total Square Footage - Entertainment:

Type of Business Previously at this Property:

If Yes, Name of Business:

If Yes, Alcohol Series: [?](#)

If Yes, Explain business nature of activities involving

If Yes, Explain Each Type:

ATTACH YOUR IDENTIFICATION AND ANY PERTINENT LICENSES YOU MAY HAVE.

ALL FOOD VENDORS PLEASE UPLOAD PICTURES OF YOUR FOOD TRUCK/CART FRONT, BACK, SIDE & REAR WITH YOUR BUSINESS NAME AND PHONE NUMBER CLEARLY POSTED. ALSO A COPY OF YOUR VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND FOOD SERVICE LICENSE.

Step 4: Documents > Documents

* indicates a required field.

Attachment

NOTE: You may be required to submit a copy of your Driver's License with this online submittal. If you are, you will be prompted to do so before leaving this page.

The maximum file size allowed is 250 MB.
The following file types are not allowed: bat;.dll;.config;.cs;.exe;.htm;.html;.js;.jsp;.mht;.mhtml;.msi.

Name	Type	Size	Latest Update	Action
No records found.				

[Add](#)

[Save and resume later](#) [Continue Application >](#)

REVIEW AND SUBMIT

Step 3: Receipt/Record issuance

Receipt



Thank you for your payment!
Please keep a copy of this receipt for your records.

100 N ANDREWS AVE, FORT LAUDERDALE 33301

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KEEP THE RECORD NUMBER FOR A REFERENCE.

ONCE THE BUSINESS TAX DEPARTMENT HAS REVIEWED YOUR APPLICATION AND IT HAS BEEN APPROVED YOU WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL INVOICE.