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| [Company Name] |  |

# New Company Setup Checklist

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| COMPANY INFORMATION | |
| Company name: |  |
| Address: |  |
| Telephone number: |  |
| Fax number: |  |
| Date business started: |  |
| Number of owners: |  |

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| CHECKLIST | | |
|  | Choose type of business entity.  Business entity type: [Sole Proprietorship/LLC/Corporation] |  |
|  | Select end of fiscal year.  Fiscal year-end: December 31 |  |
|  | Apply for IRS Employer Identification Number (EIN), if applicable. | To obtain Form SS-4 to apply for an EIN, go to irs.gov |
|  | Register with state as a business. | [Licensing contact information] |
|  | Obtain county and city business licenses. | [Licensing contact information] |
|  | If corporation, file letters of incorporation.  If partnership, create and sign partnership agreement. | [Attorney contact information] |
|  | Purchase insurance plan(s). | [Insurance agency contact info] |
|  | Create company Web site. Web site address: |  |
|  | Choose an accounting method: [Cash/Accrual] |  |
|  | Select and purchase accounting software. | [Software recommendations] |
|  | Install and set up accounting software. |  |
|  | Open a business banking account. |  |
|  | Obtain a business credit card. |  |
|  | Consider contracting with payroll processing firm and/or  record-keeping firm. | [Payroll service information] |
|  | Establish a salary agreement for each owner. |  |
|  | Establish a retirement plan. |  |