

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CITY OF MIDDLETOWN – BUSINESS RETURN (Form BR)

You must attach complete copies of federal forms, schedules, and supporting statements as filed with the IRS.

General Instructions

Who files this form?

Corporations, partnerships, and S-Corps file a Business Return as an entity doing business or located in Middletown. Individuals, such as sole proprietors, rental property owners, and resident partners report their income on Form IR – Individual Return.

The 2016 filing deadline is April 18, 2017 for calendar year taxpayers. For fiscal year taxpayers, the deadline is the 15th day of the 4th month after year end.

Filing deadlines for estimated payments conform to IRS deadlines: the 15th day of the 4th, 6th, 9th, and 12th month after the beginning of the taxable year.

All taxpayers must attach copies of all 1099-Misc forms issued to Ohio residents. The City of Middletown uses the same standard as the Internal Revenue Service in determining whether an individual is an employee or subcontractor.

Provide ownership information: S-Corps and partnerships please provide K-1s. For all closely held corporations, or

limited liability companies provide a list of corporate officers and owners, including the ownership percentage.

Extensions

If you filed an extension with the IRS, please attach a copy to your city return. An extension to file is not an extension to pay; if you expect to owe us tax, you have to pay that by the original due date. Late payments are subject to penalty and interest.

Forms

Forms and instructions may be downloaded from our website at www.cityofmiddletown.org: go to Business, then Middletown income tax, then download forms.

Questions?

Please feel free to call us at (513) 425-7862 between the hours of 8:00AM to 5:00PM, Monday through Friday.

Special Instructions

Line 1 – Enter the Adjusted Federal Taxable Income (AFTI) as defined by the Ohio Revised Code(ORC) 718.01. All business entities compute AFTI as if they were C corporations.

- For corporations use 1120, line 28, Taxable income before net operating loss deduction and special deductions.
- S-Corps usually use 1120S, Schedule K, line 18, Income/Loss Reconciliation.
- Partnerships and limited liability companies use 1065, page 5, line 1, Net Income.
- Nonresident sole proprietors filing on a business return will disregard these instructions and use 1040, Schedule C, line 31, Net Profit or Loss
- Nonresident landlords filing on a business return will disregard these instructions and use 1040, Schedule E, line 26, Total rental real estate and royalty income or (loss.)

Line 2 – Refer to Schedule X instructions on the reverse side.

Line 4 – Refer to Schedule Y instructions on the reverse side.

If you are a resident entity, all of your income is subject to Middletown tax, with credit given for taxes paid to other municipalities. If you are claiming payments to other municipalities, you must provide copies of returns filed in those cities. If you are a non-resident entity doing business both within and without Middletown, use Schedule Y to determine the percentage of your income subject to Middletown tax.

Declaration of Estimated Tax

Any entity anticipating that their tax liability at the end of 2017 will be more than \$200 must make estimated tax payments. Taxpayers must have 90% of their current year tax liability or 100% of their previous year's tax liability paid through quarterly estimated tax payments to avoid penalty and interest. Estimated taxes must be paid in full by December 15. If you wait until you file your return, you will be subject to penalty and interest.

DECLARATION AND RETURN PAYMENT CALENDAR

| APRIL 18TH* | JUNE 15TH | SEPT 15 | DEC 15 | APRIL 18* |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| File Declaration | 2nd quarter payment | 3rd quarter payment | 4th quarter payment | File return |
| 1st quarter payment | | | | |

*The filing deadline for your return is April 18th

Did you remember to include:

- **complete copies of federal forms, schedules, and supporting statements as filed with the IRS?**
- **copies of all 1099-misc forms issued to Ohio residents**
- **list of corporate officers and owners/partners including name, social security number and ownership percentage (if not included with federal forms)**

Schedule X – Reconciliation with Return

- A. Enter the amount included in Line 1 of the Business Tax Return related to the sale, exchange, or other disposition of an asset described in section 1221 or 1231 of the Internal Revenue Code. This would include the 1231 loss reported on Form 4797.
- B. Enter any taxes on or measured by net income included as a deduction in computer Line 1.
- C. Enter any guaranteed payments, or similar payments made to partners, members or other owners that were deducted in arriving at the income amount on Line 1.
- D. Enter 5% of the intangible income included in Line 1 of the Business Tax Return that is not directly related to the sale, exchange or other disposition of property described in Section 1221 of the Internal Revenue Code (usually 5% of Line K).
- E. Add Real Estate Investment Trust distributions allowed as a deduction in the computation of Federal Taxable Income.
- F. Enter amounts related to self-employed retirement plans and health or life insurance plans for an owner or owner-employee of a non C corporation.
- G. Enter charitable contribution in excess of the 10% federal limit
- H. Other (explain).
- I. Total items not deductible (A – H).
- J. Enter the amount of the capital gain income that is included on Line 1 of the Business Tax Return. Do not include capital gains relating to 1245 or 1250 property – these gains are taxable.
- K. Enter the total amount of intangible income included in Line 1 of the Business Tax Return. Intangible income generally includes, but is not limited to interest, dividends, copyrights and patents.
- L. If Line 1 of the return includes other income except from municipal tax, enter on this line and provide an explanation.
- M. Total items not taxable (J – L).
- N. Combine Line I and M and enter on Page 1, line 2.

Schedule Y – Apportionment Formula

- Step 1. Compute the percentage of the original average cost of the real and tangible personal property owned or used by the taxpayer in the City of Middletown during the taxable period to the original average cost of all of the real and tangible personal property owned or used by the taxpayer during the same period, wherever situated. Rental expense for real or personal property must be multiplied by 8.
- Step 2. Compute the percentage of the gross receipts of the business or profession from sales made and services performed during the taxable period in the City of Middletown to gross receipts of the business or profession during the same period from sales and services, wherever made or performed.
- Step 3. Compute the percentage of total personal compensation paid during the period for services performed in the City of Middletown to total personal compensation paid during the same period for all business locations. Do not include amounts paid to contractors.
- Step 4. Calculate the total of percentages derived in Steps 1 through 3.
- Step 5. Divide the total derived in Step 4 by the number of percentages used. Insert this percentage on Page 1, Line 4 of the return.