



Business Tax Application

(Make Checks Payable to City of Midway)

Section I: (To Be Completed By Applicant)

Please Print Clearly New Business Name Change
 Transfer Address Change
 Renewal License Number _____

Business Start Date at this Location: _____ (Use the most recent of:
 1) Moved into City date; 2) property annexation date; or 3) business start date.)

- 1. **Business Name or DBA:** _____
- 2. **Business Owner or Corporation:** _____
- 3. **Name of Professional (if applicable):** _____
- 4. **Federal Id. No. :** _____
- 5. **Business Location:** _____ Suite # _____
- 6. **Business Mailing Address:** _____

- 7. **Bus. Phone #:** _____ **Home Phone #:** _____
- 8. **Email Address:** _____
- 9. **State clearly the type of business you are applying for at the above location:**

- 10. **Restaurant # of Seats (if applicable)** _____
- 11. **State License # (if applicable, copy required):** _____

(Office Use Only)

Permit Tech	
Group Add	
Annex	
Zoning	
Board Actions	
Case #	
Code Enf.	
Change of Use	
Tax Code	
Sub Code	
Bus Type	
Parcel Tags	
Add Info	
Tax Fee	
Admin Fee	
Home Occ Fee	
Pen Fee	
Trans Fee	
Prior Year	
Prior Year Penalty	
Amount Due	
Date	

Completed applications can be emailed to BusinessTax@midwayfl.com



Business Tax Declaration

Section II Variable Information

Please complete the following variable information table for the applicable fiscal years. If you need any assistance in determining which variables apply to your business, please call 850.574.2942. When you have completed this section, please sign the certification and return with the Business Tax Receipt Application, or email your completed application to BusinessTax@midwayfl.com.

Information Period runs from Oct. 1st to Sep. 30th

	Square Footage	# of Workers	# of Gas Nozzles	# of Units	Average Annual Inventory
2016-2017					\$
2017-2018					\$
2018-2019					\$
2019-2020					\$
2020-2021					\$

Section III Certification

I certify under the penalty of perjury that the information in Section I is accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that if any portion is false or misrepresented such fact may constitute a criminal violation of the City Code Chapter 18 Article II Secs. 18-31-18-51 and may be just cause for revocation of any Business Tax Receipt issued. Further, I warrant that I am duly authorized to enter into and execute this Business Tax Application on behalf of my business/firm.

I further understand that the issuance of a Business Tax Receipt is a privilege to conduct business in the City of Midway, and that failure to correct conditions on the premises which are in violation of the City Code is punishable under Chapter 18 Article II Secs. 18-31- 18-51 of the Code of the City of Midway and such failure may be just cause for immediate revocation of any Business Tax Receipt issued.

Signature of person authorized to sign

Print Title

Print Name

Phone Number

Date



Business Tax Receipt Checklist

The City of Midway is a business friendly community! We are eager to help the small business owner, as well as the corporate executive, succeed in opening a business in the Beautiful City of Midway. This checklist should provide all the information you need to get your business tax receipt.

- ✓ Determine the type of business you want to open.
- ✓ Note the address of the desired business location. Is it in the City of Midway? If you're not sure whether you are in the City or not, call us at 850.574.2942 you can also email us at BusinessTax@midwayfl.com. It is always a good idea to check Zoning regulations before starting any business activity. Call us with your address at 850.574.2942 to check zoning appropriateness.
- ✓ Obtain any necessary State licenses, registration or permits.
- ✓ Complete the City Business Tax Receipt Application.
Please complete Sections 1 – 3 of the application as it contains information that may be applicable to your business.
- ✓ When opening a business in your residence, additional information is required. With the above application, submit the Home Occupation Application for zoning review by City staff and:
 - ✓
 1. Provide a sketch with dimensions of the floor plan; label each room and the area to be used for the business.
 2. Unless you are the homeowner, obtain a notarized letter of approval from the property owner or property manager. Condo owners need a notarized letter from the Home Owner's Association or property manager.
- ✓ Fees are based on variables such as square footage, number of workers or cost of inventory. Some businesses require more than one City Business Tax Receipt to be fully licensed.
- ✓ Forward your application(s) to our office by either mail, Fax, email (BusinessTax@midwayfl.com). The application will be reviewed and upon approval and payment, your Business Tax Receipt will be emailed to you. Those submitting applications in person will be issued the Business Tax Receipt at time of payment. Please make checks payable to City of Midway.

For additional information please call 850.574.2942.



Business Tax Receipt Information

Renewals: All Business Tax Receipts expire September 30th. All Business Tax Invoices will be mailed out upon receipt of application and are due no later than October 10th. Each business is given an option of paying later with a delinquency penalty. In October, the penalty is 10% of the Business Tax Receipt fee; **November, 15%; December, 20%; or January, 25%.** After **February 1st an additional late-payment penalty of \$250 will be applied to any unpaid Business Tax Receipt renewal. Failure to receive an invoice is not an excuse for nonpayment.**

Changes: Certain businesses whose Business Tax Receipt tax is based on some type of variable such as number of workers, or dollar value of inventory have to complete a Business Tax Declaration form annually. Each April, the business will be mailed a Declaration Form. It must be completed and returned to the City no later than June 1st. Forms. **Failure to return the Business Tax Declaration form by June 1st will result in a 25% penalty beginning in 2021.** This penalty will be added to next year’s Business Tax Receipt fees. This penalty is in addition to any delinquent or late-payment penalties. Declaration Forms are included and need to be returned prior to September 30, 2020 for this year’s application.

Business Tax Receipts may be transferred in two ways:

1. To a new owner when there is a sale of the business; please submit the original Business Tax Receipt and evidence of the sale with a transfer fee of ten percent (10%) of the Business Tax Receipt fee (excluding administrative fee and penalties) but not less than \$3.00 or more than \$25.00.
2. To a new location within the City of Midway; please submit the original Business Tax Receipt and evidence of the change in location with a transfer fee of ten percent (10%) of the Business Tax Receipt fee (excluding administrative fee and penalties) but not less than \$3.00 or more than \$25.00.

Proration: Business Tax Receipt fees for businesses starting on or after January 1st and before August 1st are reduced based on the month the business starts, as follows: Jan.: 10% Feb.: 20% March: 30% April: 40% May: 50% June: 60% July: 70%. This is in addition to a \$20.00 application fee and any penalties that may apply. Businesses starting on or after August 1st shall pay next year’s fee and be issued next year’s Business Tax Receipt. **Prorated Business Tax Receipts are nonrefundable and expire September 30th.**

Inspection Information: Often a prospective business site has deficiencies which must be corrected in order to meet city, county or state requirements. The general nature of the improvements that may be required include building structures, electrical wiring, plumbing, doorways, fire protection, drainage, sidewalk, sanitation, food handling, parking areas, landscaping, sign revisions, traffic hazards, and other items related to your specific business.

Below is a list of agencies and their phone numbers that should be checked concerning code requirements or regulations before starting a business operation at any location.

City of Midway		Professional Regulation	850.487.1395
Permit Office	850.574.2942	Workers Compensation	850.413.1601
Code Enforcement	850.545.2869	Hotels & Restaurants	850.487.1395
City Hall	850.574.2355	Alcoholic Beverage	407.245.0785
Gadsden County		Agriculture (Food Safety)	800.435.7352
Building and Permits	850.875.8650	Sellers of Travel	800.435.7352
State Agencies		Motor Vehicle Repair	800.435.7352
Divisions of Corporations	850.245.6052	Revenue (Sales Tax)	850.488.9750
Fictitious Name Registration (www.sunbiz.org)	850.245.6058	Federal Employers Identification Number (FEIN)	800.829.3676