## Business Mileage Worksheet

## Rules:

Use the following three scenarios to determine how many miles you can deduct. Keep in mind the following statement: In general, commuting to work is not deductible.
If you have an office or regular place of business outside your home, you may not deduct miles commuting to and from work or to your first or from your last stop, but you may deduct mileage to drive to a temporary work place (less than one year's duration or less than 35 times a year) and mileage to and from different work locations during the day.
If you have an office in your home that qualifies for a home office deduction, all of your business-related mileage is deductible. If you work out of your home, but do not qualify for the home office deduction, the distance between home and your first stop, and between your last stop and home, are nondeductible commuting miles.

## Tools:

The following tools might be of help if you need to reconstruct your mileage: Day planner, calendar, appointment book, Quickbooks printouts, Mapquest.

## Sampling:

Look first for a sample time frame with accurate mileage records. If this time frame represents your mileage accurately, you can annualize it.
From $\qquad$ to $\qquad$ : miles driven $\qquad$ .

List:
An actual mileage log would produce a more complete picture. Use the list below and the tools listed above to try to reconstruct your miles.
Total miles driven for the entire year $\qquad$
Commuting to a regular place of business

| WORK-RELATED TRIPS | MILES | \# OF TIMES | TOTAL |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Misc. errands |  |  |  |
| Temporary work location |  |  |  |
| Advertising / Promo trips |  |  |  |
| Business / professional meetings |  |  |  |
| Business meals |  |  |  |
| Education |  |  |  |
| Pickup / delivery |  |  |  |
| Supply purchase trips |  |  |  |
| Bank trips |  |  |  |
| Client visits |  |  |  |
| Post office |  |  |  |
| Other local trips |  |  |  |
| Out of town trips (list city): |  |  |  |
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