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This curriculum guide gives a brief review of the relation of business to the community and an introduction to problems in organizing a small business. These problems include basic long-range decisions: type of financing, need for the business, and method of financing. The document also focuses on the more immediate problems of location, housing, personnel, equipment, layout, records, and promotion of the business. The course also includes an overview of problems of ongoing operation: management, supervision, governmental obligations, finance, production, marketing, public relations, and survival factors. It provides an outline of the objectives of the course and course content, suggested teaching procedures, evaluative instruments used, and a list of resource materials for students and teachers. Included are an appendix with a nine-page glossary and a fact sheet for small business owners. (Author/BP)

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- I. COURSE TITLE-SMALL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
- II. COURSE NUMBER-7739.11 (New: 7604.11)

#### III. COURSE DESCRIPTION

A. Synopsis

A brief review of the relation of business to the community and an introduction to problems in organizing a small business. These problems are basic long-range decisions—type of organization, need for the business, method of financing—and the more immediate problems of location, housing, personnel, equipment, layout, records, and promotion of the business. The course also includes an overview of ongoing operating problems: management, supervision, governmental obligations, finance, production, marketing, public relations, and survival factors.

- B. Subject Status-Elective; open to all students
- C. Occupational Relationships

Covernment manager
Marketing analyst
Personnel manager
Research statistician
Bank manager
EDP systems analyst
Public relations

representative

Building and loan officer
Stock broker
School manager
Small retail store owner
Owner of repair or other
service shops
Operator of recreational
business

D. Textbook

Several resources should be available within the classroom; one or the state-adopted textbooks in business management or a book of the department's choosing may be issued to each student.

E. Rationale

The desire of many men and women to "be their own boss" and their ineptness in handling business situations has caused a high mortality rate in the many small businesses started annually in these United States. Small businesses are needed in the American economy and young people need to be aware of opportunities in this area and of ways to capitalize on them. In this course, the advantages and problems of ownership arising from original organization and from purchase of an ongoing business will be considered.

## IV. COURSE ENROLLMENT GUIDELINES

A. Prior Experiences

No prior courses are required; however, students with a good background in business mathematics, bookkeeping, economics, and government will have a greater appreciation for this course. Students without this background will have to do extensive outside work.



## IV. COURSE ENROLLMENT CUIDELINES, Continued

B. Pretest

A test may be constructed (based on performance objectives) to determine the attainment level of students in topics covered in this course in order to plan activities for the total class, for small groups, and for individual students.

## V. COURSE OF STUDY PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

Upon completion of the course, the student will be able with 80 percent accuracy to—

- 1. make management decisions for starting a small business by correctly placing checks on a checksheet about small business management;
- 2. estimate monthly costs of operation and decide on an adequate insurance program from information given in a hypothetical situation:
- ?. name four basic types of businesses and define each;
- 4. select one of the basic businesses, name the kind of (small) business, and
  - a. describe a suitable building in terms of location, size, construction, and ownership,
  - b. determine ample parking facilities,
  - c. make a rough layout for different processes and grouping,
  - d. describe departments for storage, sales, and production (if appropriate).
  - e. show sound judgment in making plans for purchasing merchandisable goods and/or plans for a facility for service to the public,
  - f. answer given questions to demonstrate that he can protect his records, control inventory, interpret financial statements, and make management decisions involving personnel, and
  - g. describe an employment program which puts the right man in the right position.
- 5. determine whether he should buy an existing business or begin a new business from given information about costs, up-to-date stock, and hired or contracted workers;
- 6. name at least four laws with which he must comply and at least four laws which protect him as a businessman;
- 7. answer at least five questions on interpreting a given market research report;
- 3. evaluate three given management tools and determine their use in the small business selected in Objective No. 4;



## V. COURSE OF STUDY PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES, Continued

- 9. price ten given commodities and services by using marketing aids in small business administration through Federal Government research pamphlets;
- 10. use a markup-markdown table to determine adequate pricing of given items;
- 11. give a minimum of three reasons why some business fail; and
- 12. provide appropriate definitions for at least 70 percent of a given list of business terms.

## VI. COURSE CONTANT

- A. The Business Scene in America
  - 1. The purpose and nature of business
  - 2. Legal and moral obligations of business to society
  - 3. Business and the economic system
  - 4. Business and government
- B. Basic Considerations in Starting a Small Business
  - 1. Primary decisions
    - a. Determining the kind of business: single proprietorship, partnership, corporation
    - b. Financing-investing and re-investing
    - c. Evaluating the demand for a product or service
    - d. Deciding on the type of operation
      - (1) Manufacturing
      - (2) Merchandising
      - (3) Service business
      - (4) Advertising
      - (5) Other
  - 2. Secondary decisions
    - a. Location
    - b. Housing
    - c. Equipment—purchased or leased
      - (1) Operations
      - (2) Office
      - (3) Transportation
    - d. Layout
    - e. Records
      - (1) Audit controls
      - (2) Inventories
    - f. Personnel
      - (1) Recruiting
      - (2) Training
      - (3) Equitable basis for wages and salaries
    - g. Promotion of the business



## VI. COURSE CONTENT, Continued

- C. Operation of a Business
  - 1. Managerial tools and techniques
    - a. Internal business structure information
    - b. External business structure information
    - c. Organizational structure
    - d. Business administration and organization
  - 2. Supervisory activities
    - a. Transportation-incoming and outgoing
    - b. Credit
    - c. Collections
    - d. Record keeping and interpretation of business statistics
    - e. Personnel—evaluation of job performance, collective bargaining
    - f. Communications
    - g. Purchasing
  - 3. Covernment regulations and controls
    - a. Taxes
    - b. Licenses
    - c. Zoning
  - 4. Finance
    - a. Business promotion
    - b. Long-term finance
    - c. Short-term finance
  - 5. Production
    - a. Nature of modern production
    - b. Plant location and operations
    - c. Production methods and control
    - d. The role of labor-management relations
  - 6. The marketing process
    - a. Wholesale trade
    - b. Retail trade
    - c. Advertising and sales
    - d. Purchases
    - e. Storage
  - 7. Survival factors
    - a. Management control
    - b. Insurance
    - c. Legal advice
  - 8. Public relations
    - a. Finding oustomers
    - b. Keeping oustomers
    - c. Ethical services to the community

## VII. SUGGESTED PROCEDURES, STRATEGIES, AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES

## A. Introduction

A brief quiz on the first or second day can determine the amount of time that needs to be spent on the introduction. Students that already know a great deal about aspects of business in America might develop term papers on topics related to exportimport business, current efforts of governmental agencies to



# VII. SUGGESTED PROCEDURES, STRATEGIES, AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES, Continued

influence business, the relationship of businessmen's attitudes to the nation's economic security, or similar topics—and be excused from all or most of the class discussion on the introduction. These same students may present a skit or panel discussion based on their investigations.

## B. Creating Student Interest

This course will be more productive if students are encouraged to find answers to questions through personal investigation in the literature and in local businesses. The teacher should contact the local office of the Small Business Administration to obtain any new information pertaining to local conditions and to request copies of their many free publications that are pertinent to this course.

In order for a student to have an interest in business, he must be shown its close relationship to his everyday activities. His consumption function, spending of money, making economic choices with limited funds, and the need to budget his money will aid him in finding a relationship to the world of free enterprise. Decisions that he will make while still a student will influence him in making correct decisions when starting a business.

#### C. The Community

Involvement of the business community is important to the success of this course. Retired businessmen, experts in their fields, will be glad to visit the class. See the Appendix for Fact Sheet for Small Business Owners.

## D. Vocabulary

A thorough understanding of terminology pertinent to the operation of a small business will be facilitated through the reproduction of the Glossary located in the Appendix of this course of study.

## E. Individualized Instruction

This course lends itself extremely well to individualization of instruction. Therefore, it is recommended that the teacher prepare assignment sheets and/or learning activity packages so that the student will solve various case problems involving small business operations. The textbooks and pamphlets included in Sections IX and X contain many ideas that can be converted into individual or group activities.



## VIII. EVALUATIVE INSTRUMENTS

#### A. Pretest

It is presumed that the student has had mathematics through the 9th grade and is equipped with the fundamentals necessary for this and related business courses. However, the teacher will have to assess the understandings, skills, and facts already known by each student in respect to the subject matter of this course. Therefore, a pretest is desirable in order to determine individual placement within this course. This pretest can be constructed easily from the information stated in Section V, Course of Study Performance Objectives.

#### B. Unit Tests

During the nine weeks, the teacher may wish to determine each student's progress by means of small unit tests. Study questions in textbooks and workbooks, commercially prepared tests, a course paper, and short quizzes on the content of a movie or field trip may all be used by an imaginative teacher to evaluate what has been learned and the concepts and understandings that need reinforcement.

## C. Final Evaluation

This test should be a parallel of the pretest and should therefore measure accomplishment of all the Course of Study Performance Objectives.

## IX. RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

#### A. Textbooks

- Antrim, William and Dorr, Eugene. Advertising. New York: Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1970.
- Buckner, Leroy and Dorr, Eugene L. <u>Customer Services</u>. New York: Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1971.
- Ely, Vivian K. and Dorr, Eugene L. <u>Organization for Marketing</u>. New York: Grag Division of McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1971.
- Joint Council on Economic Education. <u>Introduction to Economics</u>
  and Business Enterprise. New York: Gregg Division of
  McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1972.
- Kelley, Pearce C.; Lawyer, Kenneth; and Baumback, Clifford M.

  How to Organize and Operate a Small Business, 4th ed.

  Englawood Cliffs: Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1968.
- Pendery, John A. and Fuller, Robert W. Clerical Payroll
  Procedures, 6th ed. (Text-workbook). Cincinnati: South-Western Publishing Co., 1970.



## IX. RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS, Continued

#### A. Textbooks, Continued

- Pintel, Gerald and Diamond, Jay. Retailing. Englewood Cliffs: Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1971.
- Piper, Edwin B. Merchandising Mathematics. (Text-workbook). Cincinnati: South-Western Publishing Co., 1967.
- Rosenberg, R. Robert and Bonnice, Joseph G. <u>Business Law/30</u>. New York: Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1971.
- Shilt, Bernard A.; Carmichael, D. L.; and Wilson, W. Harmon.

  <u>Business Principles and Management</u>, 5th ed. Cincinnati:

  <u>South-Western Publishing Co.</u>, 1967.
- Szweda, Ralph A. <u>Information Processing Management</u>. Philadelphia: Auerbach Publishers, Inc., 1972.
- Thistlethwaite, Robert L. <u>Payroll Recordkeeping</u>, 7th ed. Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1965.
- Tonne, Herbert A.; Simon, Sidney I.; and McGill, Esby C.

  <u>Business Principles, Organization, and Management</u>, 2nd ed.

  New York: Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1963.
- Tyler, Elias S. and Corenthal, Eugene J. <u>Materials Handling—Traffic and Transportation</u>. New York: Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1970.

#### B. Pamphlets

SCORE. Fact Sheet for Small Business Owners. (See Appendix)

U. S. Government, Small Business Administration, Miami Office, 912 Federal Office Building, 51 S.W. First Avenue, Miami, FL 33130. Phone: 350-5525

Activities Corps of Executives
Advice for Persons—Investments
Delegating Work and Responsibility
Discover and Use Your Public Library
Drugstores, Small Business Bibliography
Check List for Going into Business
Fact Sheet for Small Business Owners
Financing Problems of Small Manufacturers
Guides for Profit Planning
Hobby Shops
Handling the Problem Employee
Household Appliances and Radio—TV, Sales and Service
How to Buy or Sell a Business
Management and Technical Assistance



## IX. RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS, Continued

## B. Pamphlets, Continued

Management Assistance Measuring the Performance of Salesmen Painting and Wall Decorating Pet Shops Pointers on Scheduling Production Pricing Your Services for Profit Publications for Sale Publications, Free Management Assistance Ratio Analysis for Small Business Retail Florist Small Business Administration. What It Does Service Corps of Retired Executives Sizing up Small Business Locations A Town on the Move Trucking and Cartage Wholosaling

#### C. Workbooks and Practice Sets

Student workbooks, practice sets, and forms are provided by most of the publishing companies for their respective textbooks (Section IX, A).

Archer, Fred C.; Stewart, Jeffrey R., Jr.; and Seufer, Elizabeth.

Office Cashiering Practice Set. Gregg Division of McGrawHill Book Co., 1970.

Archer, Fred C.; Stewart, Jeffrey R., Jr.; and Seufer, Elizabeth.

Stock Control Practice Set. Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill
Book Co., 1769.

Dome Educational Aids, Inc., 480 Benefit Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903, has practice sets for weekly or monthly systems of single entry record keeping; also a book of forms that may be purchased at a local Sears, Roebuck store.

#### I. RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS

#### A. Books

Teachers' editions, manuals, and keys are available for most of the books listed in the "Resources for Students" section of this outline.

Bellows, Roger M. Psychology of Personnel in Business and Industry, 5th ed. Englewood Cliffs: Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1965. (pp. 32-50, 251-307)

Brown, Leland. Communicating Facts and Ideas in Business.
Englewood Cliffs: Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1970. (pp. 1-44, 400-443)



## X. RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS, Continued

## A. Books, Continued

- Business Education Yearbook, annual. National Business Education Association, 1201 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20036.
- Crabbe, Ernest H.; De Brum, S. Joseph; and Haines, Peter G.

  <u>Methods of Teaching General Business</u>. Cincinnati: South<u>Western Publishing Co.</u>, 1968.
- Glos, R. E. and Baker, Harold A. <u>Introduction to Business</u>, 6th ed. Cincinnati: South-Western Publishing Co., 1967.
- Hastings, Paul G. <u>Introduction to Business</u>. New York: Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1961.
- Mauser, Ferdinand and Schwartz, David J. American Business, an <u>Introduction</u>, 2nd ed. Chicago: Harcourt, Brace, & World, Inc., 1970.
- Musselman, Vernon A. and Hughes, Eugene H. Introduction to Modern Business, 5th ed. Englewood Cliffs: Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1969.
- Teaching Business Education in the Secondary Schools, Bulletin 11. Tallahassee: Florida State Department of Education, 1959.
- Terry, George R. Office Management and Control, 4th ed. Homewood, IL: Richard D. Irwin, Inc., 1965.
- Tonne, Herbert A. <u>Principles of Rusiness Education</u>, 3rd ed. New York: Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Co., 1970.
- Tonne, Herbert A.; Popham, Estelle L.; and Freeman, M. Herbert.

  <u>Methods of Teaching Business Subjects</u>, 3rd ed. New York:

  <u>Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Co.</u>, 1965.

#### B. Pamphlets

- Carmichael, John H. "The 1969 Research-Award Study—An Analysis of Activities of Middle Management Personnel in the Retail Trade Industry with Implications for Curriculum Development in Post-Secondary Institutions." The Delta Pi Epsilon Journal, May, 1970 (pp. 1-13).
- McNaughtin, Wayde L. <u>Business Organization</u>. Totowa, NJ: Littlefield. Adams and Co., 1968.



# I. RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS, Continued

## B. Pamphlets, Continued

Visual Aids for Business and Economic Education, Monograph 92.

Cincinnati: South-Western Publishing Co., 1969.

Watkins, George S. The Management of Personnel and Labor Relations, 2nd ed. New York: Dodd Publishing Co., 1960.

# C. Films, 16mm

The following films are available to Dade County teachers from <u>Instructional Materials Catalog</u>, Dade County Public Schools:

Bill of Rights in Action	1-14328
Bookkeeping Occupation Opportunities	1-4236
The Computer Revolution	1-14241
Formulas in Mathematics	1-05449
How Do You Count?	1-3927
If an Elephant Answers	1-30769
The Managerial Revolution	1-31794
Motivation Theory (for teachers)	1-31796
It's Your Decision, Parts 1 and 2	1-30774
People are Different and Alike	1-05771
Ratio, A Way of Comparing	1-05867
Let's Face It, FPLA	1-10211
Transportation Revolution,	
America's Growth	1-4210
Federal Reserve Bank and You	1-31161
Money on the Move	1-31173

#### D. Periodicals

Balance Sheet, The. Cincinnati: South-Western Publishing Company. Monthly, October through May.

Business Education Forum. Washington, DC: National Business Education Association. Monthly, October through May.

Business Education World. New York: Gregg Division of McGraw-Hill Book Company. Five issues each school year.

Journal of Business Education. East Stroudsberg: Robert C. Trethaway. Monthly, October through May.

#### E. Other Resources

- 1. Various city newspapers
- 2. Better Business Bureau
- 3. Chamber of Commerce
- 4. Engineer Contractors Association
- 5. Small Business Administration
- 6. Local businesses (usually will supply forms, facilities for field trips, etc.)



APPENDIX



## GLOSSARY

account A bookkeeping form that is used to sort

and summarize the changes caused by

business operations

accounts receivable Debts or money owed to the business

air parcel post Parcel post (special merchandise rate)

sent by airmail

agency A legal relation in which one person acts

for and in place of another

agent One who is employed and authorized to

represent and act for another

assessments (insurance) Extra charges to policyholders to make

the income of the insurance company equal

ita expenditures

assets Property of the business (anything of

value)

balance sheet A financial statement of a business

showing the assets, liabilities, and net

worth

Blue-Sky Laws Laws designed to protect investors from

fraudulent schemes for selling securities

bookkeeping The systematic recording of the financial

operations of a business or an individual

bookkeeping equation A fundamental bookkeeping concept that

states assets = liabilities + proprietorship (A = L + P)

broker An agent who specializes in buying or

selling for other people without actually

having possession or title to the goods

budgets Predicted incomes and expenditures usually

based on past experience

to secure new customers

buying motives Why people buy such as pride, amusement,

affection, etc.

buying on specification The policy of furnishing the manufacturer

with a detailed description of the product

being purchased



Carload of freight CL

COD (C.O.D.) Collect on delivery; payment is made in

cash by the buyer when the goods are

delivered

casualty insurance Direct loss insurance coverage

A court order prohibiting a practice that cease and desist order a person or bus ness may be engaged in

Applies to a related group of goods on class rate (transportation)

which a specific rate is charged

A sale to dispose of old items before they clearance sale

become unsalable

An establishment engaged in the public common carrier

business of transportation

A share in a corporation; the owners of common stock

such share in the profits of the business after all other dividends have been paid

The inability to operate successfully in competitive weakness

a competitive market

The receiver of shipped goods consignee

The person or business that ships the goods consignor

The same delivery service delivers consolidated delivery merchandise to several businesses

service

A relationship of an employer and an contract of hire

employee that is either expressed or implied

in which one person agrees to work for another in return for compensation of some

sort

The holder can exchange these bonds for convertible bonds

stocks (if desired)

An association of individuals (owning corporation

shares) organized under a state charter

for business purposes

A long term written promise to pay a corporation bond

definite sum of money at a specified time

cost of merchandise The delivered price; includes the cost of

getting the merchandise in the store (wholesale price, storage, transportation,

etc.)

credit memorandum A business form whereby the seller gives

the buyer oredit for returned or damaged

goods

debit memorandum A business form prepared by the buyer which

indicates that goods purchased are damaged

demand How many products will be bought at a

particular time and place

direct marketing The producer markets the goods directly to

the consumer without using middlemen

discontinued businesses Closure of any kind

dividends The portion of business profits that are

distributed to stockholders of the

corporation

economics A body of knowledge which relates to the

production of goods and services that

satisfy human wants and needs

employment requisition A request, usually within the same company,

to the employment department to secure a

new employee

entry Each record in a journal

equity The difference between assets and

liabilities

fair trade States are permitted to pass laws allowing

producers and distributors to fix the price of branded or labeled merchandise

fidelity bond Insurance against dishonesty of employees

or agents

financial loss Loss of all or part of money invested

fire insurance Protection against the loss of items

susceptible to fire

fraud Deceit in money matters such as false

financial statements or irregular disposal

of assets



garnishment of a percentage of a person's

wages to pay off a debt

general journal A book of original entry that is used to

record entries that cannot be recorded in

special journals

goodwill An intangible asset of a business, usually

based upon the good reputation of a

partner or shareholder

infidelity of employee or agent of a

company

insurer The insurance company issuing an insurance

policy

interstate commerce Business operations and transactions that

are not completed within the confines of

one state

intrastate commerce Business operations and transactions that

are completed within the confines of one

state

involuntary bankruptcy Forced bankruptcy by creditors

job specifications The nature of work done in a particular job

or position

journal A book of original entry where all records

are first entered

labor turnover The percentage of a company's labor force

that have to be replaced for various reasons over a given period of time

leaders Items sold at markups much below the usual

ones

liabilities Debts of the business (anything owed)

liability insurance Protection against loss due to the

personal injury of customers and other

persons on company premises

loan Borrowed money

long term capital Capital obtained by the business through

the issuance of bonds, long term notes, or

mortgages



long term oredit

Credit extended to a customer for a year or more, usually paid back on an installment

basis

loss leader

An item sold below its actual cost

managerial ability

The degree of competence exhibited by someone at the management level

margin

A term used to indicate the difference between the selling price and the cost of the merchandise

merchandise approach

A positive way to greet a customer in order to stimulate his interest in a product, usually a comment about the goods being examined by the customer

merchandise turnover

The number of times a merchant will buy and sell all the merchandise in his store during the year

monopoly

Control of the price or the production of some commodity or service by one company

morale

The state of mind which reflects employees' attitudes toward their jobs, fellow workers, and employer

motion study

The study of all movements made by a worker in performing his part of a business operation, usually done with a goal of improving the overall efficiency of a task

mutual insurance company

An insurance company in which the policyholders are the owners

national market

The selling of products in most or all states

net profit

The difference between the sales and all the costs and expenses of the business over a given period of time

net 30 days

Purchase must be paid for in 30 days

on-the-job training

An employee is placed on a new job and, in effect, practices the job under close supervision until he is skillful enough to do the job with very little or no supervision



open line of credit An arrangement between a company and a

customer to permit regular borrowing and

repaying

opening entry The entry that records the information

shown on a beginning balance sheet

operating expenses Costs incurred in operating a business

par value of each share of stock at the

time of issue

personnel management That aspect of management which is

concerned with obtaining and effectively

utilizing human resources

physical inventory A personal count and listing of every

item in stook made once or twice a year

piggyback Truck or trailer placed on railroad cars

and delivered

policyholder Business or person purchasing insurance

preferred stock Dividends are distributed to preferred

stockholders before owners of common stock

premium (insurance) The payment on an insurance policy

production The creation of a product for use

production control Controlling factors of labor, material,

layout, and equipment

proprietorship (net worth) The difference between the total assets

and the total liabilities

proprietory capital An owner's investment in the business

prospectus A notice, circular, letter, or any communi-

cation that offers a security for sale

quality control An inspection system that assures that

products measure up to requirements

to buy in large quantities

regional markets Markets that take in more than one state

rapossessed Goods taken back by the seller when payments

are not made

retail eredit Credit extended by retailers to customers

retailer One who sells to the consumer (middleman)

revolving credit Credit extended to a customer which allows

him to maintain a rather large balance due while making small monthly payments, usually

based on a percentage of the balance due

risk Possibility of loss or failure

sales agent A salesman employed by a producer to sell

the product to the middlemen

sales promotion manager A person specializing in planning and

conducting special sales

scheduling process A method of scheduling production and

figuring cost

self service The customer is allowed to select the goods

and take to the cashier for payment

selling by mail Use of the mail service which requires much

advertising; most successful in the past in rural areas where the consumer found it

difficult to travel to retail stores

set up The product is delivered in an assembled

state

shopping centers Stores congregated into a group for service

to the community

shopping plaza A suburban shopping center

shopping service A person or group organized as a telephone

selling service

short term capital Borrowed capital that must be paid back in

a relatively short period of time

period of time, usually less than one year

sight draft A draft payable upon transportation and

receipt of goods on sight

special journal

A book of original entry used to record only one type of entry such as sales, purchases, cash payments, cash receipts, etc.

stimulative sale

A sale that has as its primary purpose increasing sales by pushing new goods or those that seemingly have not been well received by customers

stock insurance company

Corporation type of insurance company

suggestion selling

A method of selling in which the salesman attempts to sell merchandise by suggesting associated items that will complement the primary item being considered by the purchaser

surety bond

A device for extending the use of the surety name given to assure that a contract will be fulfilled as specified

terminal service

The railroad car containing merchandise is delivered to a track owned by the receiving business or to a track that can be reached by a truck

three C's

Character, capacity, and capital; the three vital requisites in obtaining credit

trade channels

Various routes taken by goods in going from the producer to the consumer

trade discount

A special deduction from the list price

trademarked merchandise

Goods that are marked with the manufacturer's or distributor's special mark or name

traffic count

A survey usually taken by several companies to determine the number of vehicles or people that pass a specific location at a specific time

voluntary bankruptcy

The cwner petitions the court for a proper release from debts incurred that cannot possibly be repaid, which usually results in the liquidation of the business in order to settle at least a portion of all debts

want slip

A form is initiated by an employee when a customer requests an item that the store does not have



warranty The buyer is given a promise by the seller

that goods are of a certain quality or will

perform in a specified manner

wholesaler The merchant who supplies the retailers and

others who buy in large quantities

zoning restrictions In certain zones or districts of a county

or city, only certain types of businesses

or dwellings are allowed



# FACT SHEET FOR SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS\*

There are many basic factors you need to be familiar with prior to starting your business. These details are oftentimes time-consuming and difficult to obtain. We trust that the following information will be useful to you in starting your own business.

## Licenses

Every legal business in Dade County and its 27 different municipalities must have proper business licenses. The following is a step-by-step procedure to obtain a business license in the City of Miami. The procedure is basically the same for the other 26 cities:

- 1. You must obtain a CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY from the Zoning Department, Dinner Key, if the building you will occupy has not housed a similar business for the past six months. This is to insure your location as being properly ZONED for your particular type of business and conforms to all the building codes.
- 2. After you have received your CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY, the City of Miami Licensing Department, 46 West Flagler Street, will issue your CITY OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE.
- 3. The Dade County License Department, 73 W. Flagler Street, Room 138 (Courthouse) will issue you a STATE AND COUNTY OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE AFTER you have obtained your city license.
- 4. For more information and details, contact the City of Miami License Department, telephone number 377-5501, or the Dade County License Department, telephone number 373-4441.
- 5. Any business dealing in foods must have a permit from the Dade County Health Department, 1350 N. W. 14th Street, telephone number 377-0341.

# Employee/Employer Taxes

As an employer, you will be responsible for withholding INCOME TAX from the wages of your employees, withholding of employee and payment of the employer SOCIAL SECURITY TAX, and payment of tax under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (for UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE). For further information on Social Security, call 350-5131.

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The Internal Revenue Service has prepared CIRCULAR E - EMPLOYER'S TAX CHIEF to explain and assist you in paying these taxes. SCORE Counselors emphasize the importance of accurate, honest, efficient collection and payment of employee/employer taxes. In handling these taxes, keep sight of one important point—these monies are not yours to use as working capital until the end of a given quarter. The IRS is very strict about this. You should contact the Internal Revenue Service for further information on Federal Taxes. Call 350-5311.

Internal Revenue provides two very informative services to small business owners. First, they have a "Mr. Businessman's Kit" which contains all tax forms and schedules. An agent will explain each of these to you and answer your questions. They have available for sale a TAX GUIDE FOR SMALL EUSINESS and the cost is 40 cents.

## State Sales Taxes

The State of Florida collects a 4 percent retail sales tax. You must register with the State to collect this tax and the cost is \$1.00. Tallahassee will then send you a Sales Tax number and instructions on the collection procedures. For further information, call the State Sales Tax Office in Miami, 377-3511. They are located at 1350 N. W. 12th Avenue.

## Fictitious Name Act

If your business uses or will use any name other than your own, you must register under the Fictitious Name Act. This does not, however, apply to corporations. Any name other than your own name is a fictitious name. You should check with the Recording Department of the Clerk of Circuit Court, Dade County Court House, Room 135, for instructions. Telephone number 373-6671.

#### Bulk Sales Law

If you plan to purchase an established business, you, as the purchaser, mus' comply with the Bulk Sales Law. It is required that at least five days before completion of the purchase, each creditor must be notified personally of the proposed sale. In counties of over 200,000 population, it is necessary to publish this intent to purchase one time, not less than seven days prior to completion of said purchase. Printed forms are available at the Miami Review, telephone 377-3721. Consult your attorney concerning this procedure.

## State Inemployment Insurance Tax

This tax is applicable to both new and existing businesses and is assessed at the rate of 2.7% on the first \$3,000 wages of each employee. This tax applies only to firms that have 4 or more employees on 20 different weeks of the calendar year. Forms are available at 1350 N. W. 12th Avenue, Room 273, Miami, telephone 379-6466. They must be filed with the Florida Industrial Commission, Unemployment Compensation Division, Tallahassee, Florida.



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## Workmen's Compensation

If you have 3 or more employees, you <u>must</u> carry compensation insurance. Information can be secured from the Florida Industrial Commission, Workmen's Compensation Div., 1350 N. W. 12th Ave., Room 462, Miami, FL 33125, telephone 373-6321.

## Directory of Further Sources of Information

South Florida Office 3399 Ponce de Leon Blvd. Coral Gables, FL 33134 444-7405 For information on business incorporation procedures.

etter Business Bureau
of South Florida
25 S. E. Second Avenue
Miami. FL 33131

Excellent source for checking supplies, customers, registering complaints, etc.

Credit Bureau of Greater Miami
150 N. E. Fourth Street
Miami, FL 33132
371-3461

For credit reporting and collection services.

Dun & Bradstreet
2070 N. W. Seventh Street
Miami, FL 33125
642-4200

Publish "Key Ratios for Small Business."

National Cash Register
2915 Biscayne Boulevard
Miami, FL 33137
377-8461

Also publishes excellent business ratio information, "Expenses in Retail Business."

U.S. Department of Commerce City National Bank Building 25 W. Flagler St., Rm. 821 Miami, FL 33128 350-5267 Can be of assistance in domestic and foreign trade. Sell SBA "for sale" publications

Trade Associations and Public Libraries - contains a wealth of information on your particular business. Consult your telephone directory for your nearest library. The library should have a copy of the National Trade and Professional Associations of the United States, published by Columbia Books, Washington, D. C. This is a ready source of business and trade associations for your particular business.

Any firms listed in this Directory are mentioned <u>only</u> because of the value of their printed information. Their mention is <u>not</u> intended to be construed as a recommendation or approval of Small Business Administration for their salable services.

