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You may also go to <https://www.irs.gov> and type EIN in the website search. Then click on the link [Apply for an Employer Identification Number \(EIN\) Online](#)

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applicant is a government entity, the responsible party must be an individual (i.e., a natural person), not an entity.

Step 2: Understand the Online Application

- You must complete this application in one session, as you will not be able to save and return at a later time.
- Your session will expire after 15 minutes of inactivity, and you will need to start over.

Step 3: Submit Your Application

- After all validations are done, you will get your EIN immediately upon completion. You can then download, save, and print your EIN confirmation notice.

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Employer Tax Responsibilities Explained (Publications 15, 15-A and 15B)

[Publication 15 \(PDF\)](#) provides information on employer tax responsibilities related to taxable wages, employment tax withholding and which tax returns must be filed. More complex issues are discussed in [Publication 15-A \(PDF\)](#) and tax treatment of many employee benefits can be found in Publication 15. We recommend employers download these publications from IRS.gov. Copies can be requested online (search "Forms and Publications") or by calling 1-800-TAX-FORM.

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EIN Assistant

Important Information Before You Begin
Use this assistant to apply for and obtain an Employer Identification Number (EIN).
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About the EIN Assistant

- You must complete this application in one session, as you will not be able to save and return at a later time.
- For security purposes, your session will expire after 15 minutes of inactivity, and you will need to start over.
- You will receive your EIN immediately upon verification. [When will I be able to use my EIN?](#)
- If you wish to receive your confirmation letter online, we strongly recommend that you install [Adobe Reader](#) before beginning the application if it is not already installed.

Restrictions

- Effective May 21, 2012, to ensure fair and equitable treatment for all taxpayers, the Internal Revenue Service will limit Employer Identification Number (EIN) issuance to one per [responsible party](#) per day. This limitation is applicable to all requests for EINs whether online or by phone, fax or mail. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.
- If a [third party designee](#) (TPD) is completing the online application on behalf of the taxpayer, the taxpayer must [authorize the third party](#) to apply for and receive the EIN on his or her behalf.
- The business location must be within the United States or [U.S. territories](#).
- Foreign filers without an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) cannot use this assistant to obtain an EIN.
- If you were incorporated outside of the United States or the U.S. territories, you cannot apply for an EIN online. Please call us at [267-941-1099](#) (this is not a toll free number).

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For help or additional information on any topic, click the underlined key words, or view Help Topics on the right side of the screen. Make sure that pop-ups are allowed from this site.

Select Sole Proprietor

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What type of legal structure is applying for an EIN?

Before applying for an EIN you should have already determined what type of legal structure, business, or type of organization is being established.

Choose the type you are applying for. If you don't see your type, select "View Additional Options."

- Sole Proprietor**
Includes individuals who are in business for themselves and household employers.
- Partnerships**
Includes partnerships and joint ventures.
- Corporations**
Includes S corporations, personal service corporations, real estate investment trusts (REIT), regulated investment conduits (RIC), and settlement funds.
- Limited Liability Company (LLC)**
A limited liability company (LLC) is a structure allowed by state statute and is formed by filing articles of organization with the state.
- Estate**
An estate is a legal entity created as a result of a person's death.
- Trusts**
All types of trusts including conservatorships, custodianships, guardianships, irrevocable trusts,

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[What if I do not know what type of legal structure or organization to choose?](#)

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You have chosen Sole Proprietor.

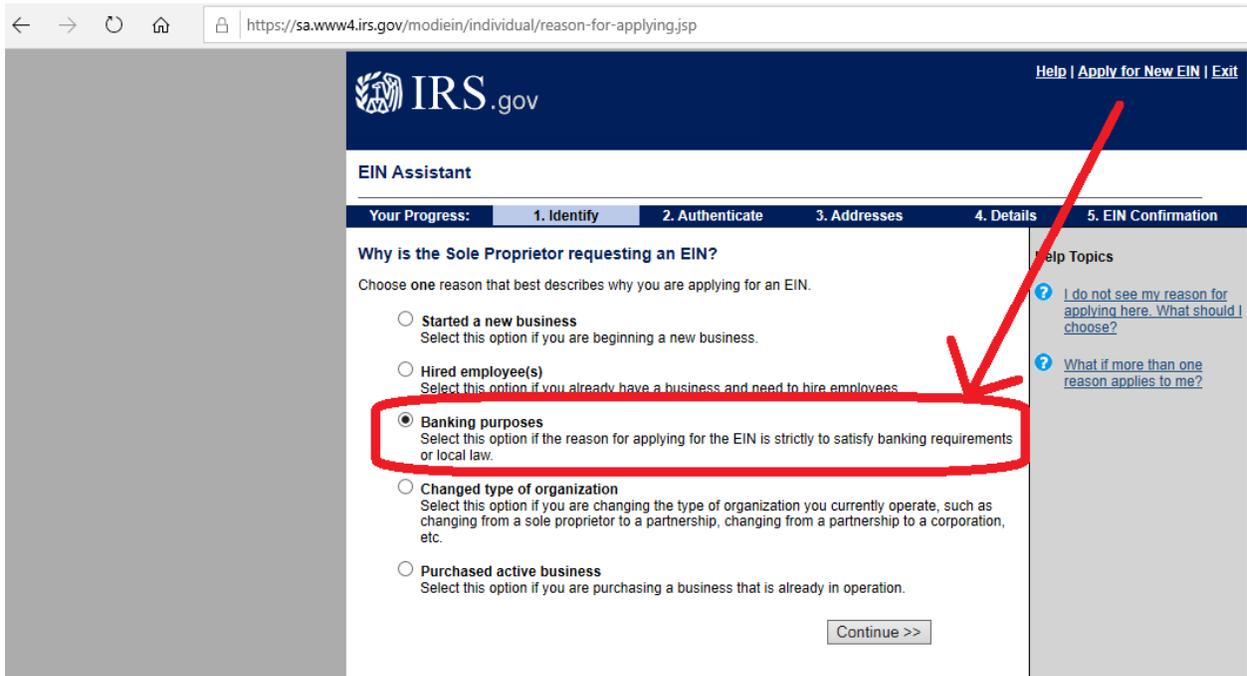
Sole proprietor includes individuals who are in business for themselves, or household employers. Read the descriptions below and choose the type for which you are applying.

- Sole Proprietor**
A sole proprietorship is a business that has only one owner and is not incorporated or registered with the state as a limited liability company (LLC). A sole proprietor can be a self-employed individual or an independent contractor. Sole proprietors (self-employed individuals) report all business income and expenses on their individual tax returns ([Form 1040](#), U.S. Individual Income Tax Return, Schedule C, E, or F). A sole proprietor may or may not have employees.
- Household Employer**
You are a household employer if you have hired someone to do household work and [that worker is your employee](#). Household employees include: babysitters, nannies, au pairs, cleaning people, housekeepers, maids, drivers, health aides, private nurses, caretakers, yard workers, and similar domestic workers.

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Select requesting EIN in banking purposes



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Why is the Sole Proprietor requesting an EIN?

Choose one reason that best describes why you are applying for an EIN.

- Started a new business**
Select this option if you are beginning a new business.
- Hired employee(s)**
Select this option if you already have a business and need to hire employees.
- Banking purposes**
Select this option if the reason for applying for the EIN is strictly to satisfy banking requirements or local law.
- Changed type of organization**
Select this option if you are changing the type of organization you currently operate, such as changing from a sole proprietor to a partnership, changing from a partnership to a corporation, etc.
- Purchased active business**
Select this option if you are purchasing a business that is already in operation.

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- [I do not see my reason for applying here. What should I choose?](#)
- [What if more than one reason applies to me?](#)

Continue with the application till you obtain your EIN. It should take you a few minutes.