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IRS Expense vs. Capitalization Rules

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Welcome



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The Rules

- 1. Moderator Will Not Be Political
- 2. You Can Politely
- 3. No Question is Dumb
- 4. You Can Ask Questions At Any Time





Expense vs. Capitalization



Business



Why the new rules?

- Make Rules More Understandable
- Increase Compliance





Di Minimis Election





Annual Election





Applicable Financial Statement

- Sent to Sec
- Required By Other Government Agency
- Certified Financial Statements
 - Loans
 - Stakeholder
 - Other Nontax Reseasons





Amount

- With AFS \$5,000
- Without AFS \$2,500

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Client signature



Per Item or Invoice





Written Capitalization Policy

- What if above Di Minimis limit?
- What if less than Di Minimis limit?





Sample Capitalization Threshold Policy

A fixed asset is any tangible asset purchased for use in the day-to-day operations of [Company] from which an economic benefit will be derived over a period greater than one year. Fixed assets include items of property and equipment such as buildings, leasehold improvements, office furniture, fixtures, computers and other related technology equipment. At the time a fixed asset is acquired, its cost is capitalized unless it has a value of [\$__,__] or less in which case the asset is expensed in the period acquired. Amounts paid for property with an estimated useful life of 12 months or less with a value of [\$__,__] or less are expensed in the period acquired as well. Management will periodically review these levels and make any modifications necessary.



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Retable, Temporary & Standby Parts

Election to Capitalize and Depreciate





Book / Tax Compliance





Unit of Property

All Components That Are "Functionally Interdependent"





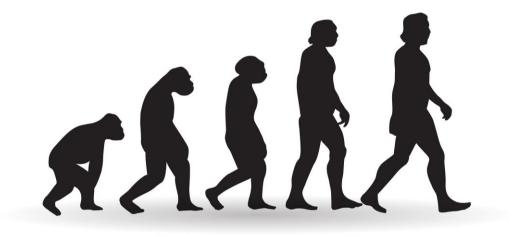
Betterment

- Ameliorates a condition or defect that existed before the acquisition of property or arise during the production of the property
- Material addition to the Property
 - Increases productivity, efficiency, strength etc. of the property



Adapts

An adaptation to a new or different use if the use is inconsistent with original intended use.





Restoration

- Return Property to Working Order From A State of Disrepair
- Rebuilding of Property to a "Like-New" Condition
- Replace a Major
 Component of Substantial Part of the Property





Routine Maintenance

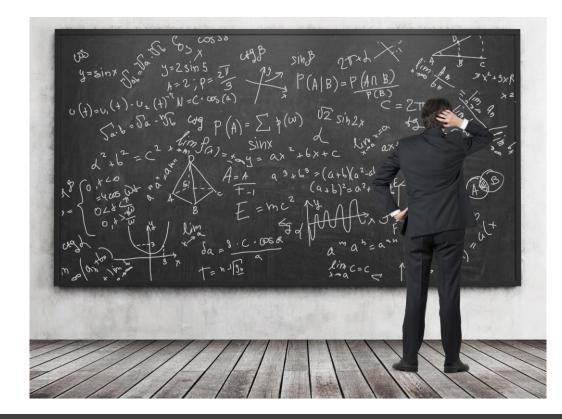
Expect to happen more than once during life of asset and do not result in "Betterment".





Partial Disposition Election

Recognize Gain Or Loss As You Go





Election to Capitalize Employee Compensation or Overhead





Unit of Property – Real Estate

- HVAC
- Plumbing Systems
- Electrical Systems
- Escalators
- Elevators



- Fire Protection & Alarm Systems
- Security Systems'
- Gas Distribution Systems
- Whatever Future Guidance Says







R/E Units of Property

- Buildings & Building Systems
- Leased Buildings
- Condos & Coops
- Personal & Real Property
- Improvements to Unit of Property
- Components with Different Property Classes
- Plant Property
- Network Assets



Small Taxpayer with Buildings

- \$10 Million or Less in Gross Receipts
- Building Unit of Property \$1 Million or Less
- Lesser of
 - **\$10,000**
 - 2% of Unadjusted Basis of Property





Annual Elections

Election	Due Date
Capitalize Rotable, Temporary, Temporary or Standby Emergency Parts	Due Date (Including Extensions)
Partial Disposition	Due Date (Including Extensions)
Di Minimis Safe Harbor	Due Date (Including Extensions)
Capitalize Employee Compensation or Overhead	Due Date (Including Extensions)
Small Taxpayer Buildings Improvements	Due Date (Including Extensions)
Compliance with Book reporting	Due Date (Including Extension)



Change In Accounting Method

I assume you already did this.





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- **\$**500,000
- Phase-Out Starting at \$2,500,000
- Business Property





Business Property

- Does Not Include Personal Property Used in Residential Property Except Less the 30 Days
- Does Not Include Land etc.
- Does Not Include HVAC





Bonus Depreciation

- 2015-2017 50 %
- 2018 40%
- 2019 30%



Questions?



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