

You cannot avoid taxes (unless you're billionaire Jeff Bezos) but you can make it easier on yourself for next year's tax day. I'm looking at some things and some apps you can use right now to be better organized when January rolls around next year.

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I HOPE YOUR TAXES FOR 2022 ARE ALL TAKEN CARE OF BUT WHAT ABOUT NEXT YEAR. I'M JAMEY TUCKER COMING UP WITH SOME TECH THAT CAN SAVE YOU TIME AND MONEY THE NEXT TIME TAX SEASON ROLLS AROUND.

ANCHOR INTRO

IF YOU'VE FINISHED YOUR INCOME TAX RETURN, YOU MAY BE WISHING YOU'D BEEN A LITTLE MORE ORGANIZED THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. KEEPING GOOD TAX RECORDS AND RECEIPTS ARE A GOOD WAY TO SAVE MONEY ON YOUR RETURNS.

RECEIPTS, MILEAGE, AND OTHER RECORDS CAN ADD UP TO A LOT OF DEDUCTIONS, BUT ONLY IF YOU CAN REMEMBER AND SHOW PROOF. IT MAY BE TOO LATE TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LAST TAX YEAR, BUT OUR CONSUMER TECHNOLOGY REPORTER JAMEY TUCKER SAYS, IT ISN'T TOO LATE TO GET ORGANIZED FOR NEXT YEAR.

PACKAGE SCRIPT

Do you still save paper receipts and write down mileage for tax purposes? If so, you know it can take days to compile them all for your accountant or tax preparer. Your smartphone camera can be a huge help when it comes to saving receipts. You'll find many apps that will take and

save photos of receipts. Most require a subscription and you can't be too sure about privacy with some of them, these are safe and easy to use.

Evernote can scan and save receipts using its companion Scannable app. Scan the receipt with your camera, give it a name, and save it to a notebook in Evernote. At tax time, you won't need all that paper but if you do, just print what you need or share the pdfs to your tax preparer.

iPhone users can do this with the Notes app. You can take a snapshot and save it as a photo, but I suggest scanning it instead in case you need to print it out. You can create a receipts folder and save them there to stay organized.

Android and iPhone users can use the app Google Keep to save receipts and share them with your tax preparer.

For small business owners and side-hustlers, there's Quickbooks. An app and website to help you organize receipts, travel expenses, utilities, taxes, and fees. At tax time, you can share it all with your accountant in an email.

Many people miss deducting mileage for business which is around 63-cents a mile. The app Mile IQ automatically detects when you're driving so you don't have to remember to open it. And it makes it easy to log miles as either personal or business. At the end of the year, MileIQ generates a mileage report for the IRS.

It's easy to miss or forget qualified deductions if you don't keep up with them during the year and if you're ever audited you'll need copies of the receipts, and you don't need to have all of that paper around. These apps will do it for you. That's What the Tech? I'm Jamey Tucker.

ANCHOR TAG

IF YOU DIDN'T GET YOUR TAXES FILED FOR 2022 YET, YOU CAN FILE AN EXTENSION WHICH WILL MAKE THEM DUE BY OCTOBER 15TH.

WEB STORY

The tax deadline for 2022 returns was April 17th and you may be wishing you would have stayed better organized to make preparing taxes easier.

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For small business owners and side-hustlers, there's Quickbooks, an app and website to help you organize receipts, travel expenses, utilities, taxes, and fees. Quickbooks connects to your bank accounts to track money going out and coming into the business. At tax time, you can share it all with your accountant in an email.

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It's easy to miss or forget qualified deductions and you can pay a lot more in taxes than you should. Tax preparers say it's much easier to stay organized throughout the year and save receipts as they come in rather than all at once when taxes are due.

If you didn't get your taxes filed by April 17th you can file an extension and have until October 15th to get them filed.

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