

Dental Accounting Cleanup Checklist

Ten checks before your dental accounting cleanup starts

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Most dental accounting problems are small, repeated, and cheap to prevent. Work through these before your consultation, and bring the answers with you.

- ☐ **1 Separate lab fees from supplies**
The one split that makes margins readable.
- ☐ **2 Pull personal costs out of clinic accounts**
Or they become a taxable shareholder benefit.
- ☐ **3 Check the shareholder loan balance**
Outstanding past the deadline means personal income.
- ☐ **4 Review associate classification**
Employee or contractor, tested against CRA rules.
- ☐ **5 Reconcile merchant deposits monthly**
Match collections to bank and practice software.
- ☐ **6 Split exempt care from taxable supplies**
Input tax credits apply to taxable work only.
- ☐ **7 List equipment by CCA class**
Class 8, Class 12, Class 13, Class 50.
- ☐ **8 Apply the half-year rule**
First-year claim is halved on new assets.
- ☐ **9 Accrue unbilled lab and supplier costs**
Before the year-end close, not after.
- ☐ **10 Book a monthly close**
Errors found at \$2,000, not at \$24,000.

PRO TIP

Clear the shareholder loan before the deadline. It is the one item on this list that reaches you personally rather than the business.

What happens next

- 1 Free consultation**
- 2 Flat fee, HST included**
- 3 Set up and monitored**

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