

THINGS TO REMEMBER TO CLAIM ON YOUR TAX RETURN

1. **Have you received ALL your T4 slips from EVERY place you worked for during the tax year you are filing for?**
2. **Have you received ALL your T5 slips or interest slips from all your investment income for the tax year you are filing for?**
3. **Do you have ALL your medical (prescriptions, glasses, contact lenses, chiropractor, physiotherapy, massage therapy, surgery, dental) slips or receipts that you have paid out of your pocket?**
 - *There are many medical claims that you can claim that are too numerous to list here. Remember to ask if you can claim anything that you are unsure of. It doesn't hurt to throw away the receipt after you have asked, but you cannot necessarily get it back if you throw it away and find out later you could have claimed the expense.*
4. **Do you pay for Blue Cross or and extended Health Care plan?** You can claim the premiums that you pay through your employment or personally. Make sure to have the statements, your pay stubs or last year-to-date pay stub with your tax stuff.
5. **Do you have ALL your charity receipts?**
6. **Do you have ALL your RRSP slips?** We also need your Notice of Assessment that the Government sent you concerning your last years tax filing. It has your RRSP contribution limit on it. This lets us know if you have over contributed to your RRSP plan and you may have to take some out if you contribute too much.
7. **Did you remember to get receipts from ALL your child care providers?** If you go to a day care you just need a receipt with their name and address on it. If you go to a private day home or babysitter, you need to get their name, address and social insurance number. If you do not, Revenue Canada will not allow this deduction.
8. **Did you go to a post secondary school during the tax year?** If so, you need a T2202A to claim: either the tuition, the education amount or both.
9. **Did you pay a student loan, Federal and/or Provincial where you are paying interest on this loan?** You will receive a notice from your bank or institution to claim the interest as a tax deduction on your tax return. It usually says to keep for your tax records or something to that effect.